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## *The KnightLetter*

March - April 2022

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### Grand Knights Message

Brothers, Greetings:

In this issue of our KnightLetter we are looking toward spring. The weather in our area has been as unpredictable as the ups and downs of COVID-19. I've been using my local liquor store to gage the changing health conditions. In December the employees had their masks off. By Christmas they were back on. Two weeks ago, off again. Hurrah! Maybe a portent of things to come (no comments, please, on using a liquor store as health barometer).

As in the above, our Columbian Club rentals had their ups and downs. With the infection curve down, our rental curve went up, and that's where we're at now!

We had made up a schedule of fundraisers and we're charging ahead.

On February 11th we held a super successful charity dinner, with 97 sit down and take out dinners sold. Three more coming up: Mar. 4th, a Lenten Dinner; on Mar. 13, a Corned Beef Dinner; and on Apr. 8th, a Lenten Fish Dinner. Also, Apr. 9-10, we will be collecting at our churches and in local markets and stores.

Lastly, on May 3rd, we will hold our indoor Blood Drive.

More equipment upgrades, leak stops and such are being considered for our Columbian Hall (for details on all of above, please see inside).

So, with what appears to be reasonable winds, we leave behind storm tossed seas and sail toward calmer and warmer waters, thanks to the dedication and perseverance of our Brothers. Onward, Knights of Hillside Council!

May the Good Lord Continue His Watch over Us All  
Blessed Mary, Queen of the knights, Pray for Us.

Fraternally Your  
Andrew Wnukowski, Grand Knight.

## COLUMBIAN CLUB

Work will continue to go forward with upgrades to your Council Hall. Sanitizing efforts are being performed daily. This is done to keep our Council Hall, bar area, and bathrooms sanitized and safe. Stop in for a visit and see the improvements to our Club made during the downtime of the pandemic. When a member of the Club's House Committee is on site, the statue of our Blessed Mother at the corner of the building will be illuminated. Please stop in! **Our Club and Bar is Open!** We are currently looking for Bartenders so we can have a more accurate schedule for times of operations. Please consider the possibility of dedicating some time once or twice a week. You can let any Director know if you are able to help or call Bob Kaelblein at 973-663-2870

## COLUMBIAN CLUB CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

I hope you make an effort to read the KnightLetter which outlines all the improvements made to our Council building. Some recent work that has been completed is the installation of Automatic Hand Dryers in both bathroom and repairs to the front door and locks. The next steps are to install a new back door, new flooring in the kitchen and bar area.

There is also outside work to be done including brick work to the grotto and building. If any member has experience in any of these projects please contact Columbian President Bob Kaelblein at 973-663-2870.

Some recent donations have bought our Capital Improvement fund up to \$1600 and we have had to use some of our savings to complete some of the work we have completed. Donations are still welcomed and encouraged toward this campaign, and should be made payable to the "Knights of Columbus Council #3197" with a memo "Club Capital Improvement" and send to the Knights of Columbus Council #3197, PO Box 207, Hillside, NJ 07205. Please note that these donations are not tax-deductable.

## HALL RENTAL

Please know that our hall is again available for rental within the parameters of the State and CDC guidelines. If you or an acquaintance is looking for a place to hold a birthday party, shower, graduation party, a funeral repast or memorial lunch that was delayed due to the pandemic, consider our Council Home. **The hall is being totally sanitized before and after each event and hand sanitizers are conveniently located for your use.** Contact the Club at 908-688-3197. Pictures are also available on our web site at <http://www.hillsidekofc.org>

## MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE, JANUARY, FEBRUARY

Mar 04 (Fri). CHARITY FUNDRAISER LENTEN DINNER.	5:00-8:00 pm
" 10. Columbian Club Directors meeting	6:00 pm
" " Council meeting	7:00 pm
" 13 (Sun) CHARITY FR CORNED-BEEF DINNER	1:00-5:00 pm
Apr 07 Columbian Club Directors meeting	6:00 pm
" " Council meeting.	7:00 pm
Apr 08 CHARITY FUNDRAISER LENTEN FISHFRY	
" 09-10 CHURCH-STORE FR COLLECTION	
May 03 (Tue) IN-HOUSE BLOOD DRIVE. COLUMBIAN Hall.	1:30-7:30 pm

## DUES

Knight Alert notices have been mailed on February 23rd. This is the final mailing for Dues before suspension proceedings begin. If your invoice shows outstanding dues please contact our Financial Secretary, Robert Kaelblein at 973-663-2870 and leave a message. He will contact you to discuss and/or make corrections.

**If anyone no longer wishes to be a member please state that in writing on your invoice, sign (a signature is required) and mail to Knights of Columbus 3197, PO Box 207, Hillside NJ 07205**

## CHARITY FUNDRAISER WALK IN DINNER, FEB. 11

Wow! 99 sit down and take out dinners were sold! By having notices on 2 websites, Facebook, the KnightLetter and 2 church pulpits payed off for our charitable efforts. Thanks, FS and CC Pres. PGK Bob Kaelblein for your usual organizational and cooking efforts and dedication. Thanks to the helpers: DGK Pat Mahon, PGK Steve Whoeler, PGK Will Evans, Trustee Dave Large, Br James Silva. A special note of thanks to youngsters: Dakota Borys, age 14, daughter of Br Mark Borys, and Danny Mizak, grandson of Br James Silva. God Bless!

## **BLOOD DRIVE**

Tuesday, May 3rd, 2022 from 1:30pm – 7:30pm at the Council Hall. Members, family, friends, and members of the community are urged to assist in alleviating the ongoing shortage of blood needed by hospitals. The Council is sponsoring a blood drive in cooperation with the New York Blood Center. All blood types are needed!

Appointments are encouraged and can be made at the following link: [www.nybc.org/njdrive](http://www.nybc.org/njdrive) Sponsor: 71471 or by calling the Blood Center at 800-933-2566. Please register early to get a preferred time for an appointment!! (While it is best to schedule an appointment, walk-ins can generally be accommodated.) Please check the Council website for updates. For more information or for registration/appointment assistance, contact Genevieve Toscano of the NY Blood Center at 732-672-5281 or PGK Joe Michalik at 908-354-1040 or at [jam334@yahoo.com](mailto:jam334@yahoo.com)

## **CHARITY FUNDRAISER LENTEN PASTA WALK IN DINNER, MAR. 04**

Our annual Lenten Pasta dinner will be held March 4 from 5:00pm – 8:00pm. Cost will be \$18 Adults and \$15 for Seniors and \$10 for Children (under 12). Proceeds will go into our Charity Fund. Please mark your calendar. Check

## **CHARITY FUNDRAISER WALK IN CORNED BEEF DINNER, MAR 13**

Come celebrate Saint Patrick's day a little early and share some Blarney with friends and neighbors. This Charity dinner will be held March 13, from 1:00pm – 5:00pm. Cost will be \$18 Adults and \$15 for Seniors and \$10 for Children (under 12). **(DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCK AHEAD)**

## **CHARITY FUNDRAISER LENTEN WALK IN FISH FRY, APR 08**

Our annual Lenten Fish Fry will be held March 4 from 4:00pm – 7:00pm. Cost will be \$18 Adults and \$15 for Seniors and Children (under 12). Proceeds will go into our Charity Fund. Please mark your calendar.

## **BAPTISMAL ROSE PROGRAM**

The Council presents congratulatory roses to mothers of children born at St. Catherine's and Christ the King churches. If you can help with the presentation program, notify Angelo Bonanno, (908 965 0415), program coordinator at St. Catherine's, or GK Andy Wnukowski, program coordinator at Christ the King. This is a well received program and a beautiful way to let parents-parishioners know about our Council.

## **IN MEMORIAM**

In this reporting period we mourn the passing of following Brother Knights:

Francis (Frank) HART of Clark, on 1/13, and Peter (Pete) TARTAGLIA, of Hillside, recently of Maplewood, on 1/25. Also, late notice/discovery: James O'HARE of Stewartsville, on 11/14/21 (Knight of Year 85-6), and Domenic CARRIERO of Hillside on 12/23/21 and James SKELTON of Jackson on 12/2/21. We share with the families the sorrow of their loss.

## **COUNCIL WEBSITE**

Please check out our still new website at <http://www.hillsidekofc.org>. NOTE: this is a great way to be informed and updated on all Council activities. If you wish to access the Knightletters click on tab for 'newsletters' and type in password 'hillsidekofc3197'.

## **KofC INSURANCE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTE. Our Council continues to be under the auspices of the Bob Mc Geehan Agency, contact #732 569 6045. Also working with us is Field Agent Thomas Brennan, cell #201 637 4603, e-Mail: [thomas.brennan@kofc.com](mailto:thomas.brennan@kofc.com).

## **KNIGHTLETTER PROGRAM**

Material to be submitted in the May – June issue of the KL must be received NO Later than April 15. Contact GK Andy Wnukowski at 908 764 3559, or leave in the wooden KnightLetter box at the bar. To place an ad, please call the Columbian Club at 908 688 3197.



# Lenten Meatless Dinners

Friday, Mar. 4<sup>th</sup> & Friday, Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>

5pm to 8pm

At the Rev. Thomas F. Canty Council #3197 Columbian Club  
1220 Liberty Avenue, Hillside, NJ

--Menu for March 4<sup>th</sup>--

Soup & Salad

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Choice of one of the following:

Penne with Vodka Sauce,  
Linguine with (Red or White)

Clam Sauce;

Stuffed Shells; or

Eggplant Rollatini

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Dessert, Coffee, Tea

--Menu for April 8<sup>rd</sup>--

Soup & Salad

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Choice of one of the following:

Fish (Baked or Fried) with  
sides of cole slaw and mac &  
cheese; Linguine with (Red

or White) Clam Sauce;

or Stuffed Shells

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Dessert, Coffee, Tea

\$18 per person \* \$15 for Seniors \* \$10 Children 12 years old or younger

Proceeds Benefit Council Charity Fund



