



The Knight Life

St. John Vianney Council 7525
Monthly Newsletter February, 2017



Upcoming Events & Important Dates:

Mon. Feb. 27	Council Meeting: Meal at 6:00 pm in SJV Church Basement Meeting at 7:00 pm
Wed. Mar. 8	Officers Meeting at 6:30 pm in SJV – Old Office
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Su Apr 2, 2017	Kamp Ta Kum Ta SUPER BINGO

Last Meeting: Our last meeting was our first Council meeting in the SJV Church Basement. Father Pat had a meeting, but did take time to stop in to welcome us to our new home. We then enjoyed a Special Turkey Dinner, with all the fixings and home made desserts. We started our first evening with Jay Shepard making his Admission Degree. When you see him give a WARM WELCOME!!! We honored Mary and Francis Cross as our Family of the Month and Don Sutton as our Knight of the Month.

We received Thank You Note from Gilberte Myers. We then had a long list of Knights we needed to THANK for all the efforts put out by our Knights and Wives: Thanks to Ted Barrett and Ray Michaud - for moving all the heavy furniture to the Church. Thanks to Gerry and Jim Girouard Jr for the website work. Another Thanks to Gerry for our good publicity in the State newsletter. Thanks to Gerry and Jay for taking down the Keep Christ in Christmas Sign and moving the Crech back into the garage. Thanks to Bev Newman for making us a fine apple cake. Thanks for Sandy Stevens for helping my wife Linda cook the meal. Thanks to Linda for planning and shopping for the meal and cooking it.

We then discussed how close we are getting to the "STAR COUNCIL AWARD": we have reached our Insurance goal, we have completed many activities for Columbian Award and now need THREE new members because we have reached 73% of our membership goal. We discussed how our meeting days will change for now (at least this year). We have a tentative date of our Special People's Christmas Party as Dec.3.

Jay announced he collected \$106.50 for Christmas Cards but has many cards left for next year. Then asked for volunteers to help the Parish with their Super Bowl Charity Fund Raiser. We asked for volunteers to help at the Free Throw Contest. Gerry talked about the many improvements to our web site. We then announced Steve Shover resigned as Ch. CTKT BINGO. Don explained we could do it but said he could not Chair it. After discussion Tom Gravelin Stepped up to Chair this bingo.

NEXT MEETING: The Regular Meeting will be on Feb. 27 in the SJV Church basement at 7:00 pm. We have social time and a meal at 6:00. Our biggest goal for the evening is to come up with goals, to accomplish our mission of Charity and aiding our Church and all our brothers and sisters. I ask if you can make it please do so. We need fresh ideas. When we did our BINGO, people saw us and knew we were working. (I have had people tell me they miss us and our bingo – they tell me how much they enjoyed going to our BINGO). So now we need NEW GOALS! Please TRY to make it!

Our Knight of the month: Our Knight of the Month is always trying a way to advertise us. He is always taking pictures to spread our Council's name around. He tries to get us in the Columbia Magazine, the State News Letter and the local papers. He helps recruit and helps advertise. He once asked me what is worth a 1,000 words? Our Knight of the MONTH – Gerry Malavenda

Our Family of the month: This couple has been very dedicated to our Council and events, for years. They can be seen working for the church and attending Blue Army Events. But this month we choose them for all these and also for the fact their SON wanted to HONOR his Father by joining HIS Council. Our FAMILY of the MONTH Frank and Camille Myers!

DISTRICT FREE THROW CONTESTS IN FEB: Feb 25 from 8:00 to 11:30 am Come and Help!

Bingo Workers Dinner – Mar 2: Have you worked Thurs. bingo and did not get a notice by Feb 20, Please CALL me!!!!

CTKT BINGO: April 2, 2017!!!! Please save this date to come and help. Also PLEASE pass the word to BINGO playing Friends – we need a BIG crowd! A FUN DAY!!!!!!

RECRUITMENT DRIVE: The recruitment drives are over for now. We have EIGHT new KNIGHTS this year but are looking for THREE more to meet this year's GOAL. To EVERYONE I say ASK ONE PERSON this Month!!

POOL TABLE: We have a good Pool Table for sale. If interested say something at the meeting or call Ray Michaud.

Warnings:

New K of C Banner	\$160.00
Bingo Workers Dinner	\$600.00

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Please keep the following in your prayers: Randy Gualin, PSD Paul Mitchell, Fr. Hamilton, Joe Lane, Ray Newman, Elaine Read, Frank **Myers**, Paul Pouliot, Maureen Locker, Francis Cross, Ron Richer, Jim Frail, Andrew Bologna, Lois Ladd, Don Sutton, Al Dunbar, George and Sheila Stevens, & Greg Stein, SA Vets. As always please pray for our clergy and the safety of our men and women in uniform.

Contact our General Agent:

Dave Giuliani regarding K of C benefits and Ins. He can help with Long Term care, Annuities & Retirement, as well as Ins.. Phone:802-272-6009 Email:david.giuliani@kofc.org

PRAYER: “God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; Courage to change the things I can; And the wisdom to know the difference.”

Personal Word: This PRAYER has been in my mind a

lot!!! I still feel bad about losing the Hall, that our Charter Members worked so hard to build and used to make so much money for CHARITY, plus leaving us a very valuable building! Not to mention the possibilities we still had to make more money for CHARITIES. Plus all the Friends we gave up when we closed our bingo. I am having a hard time accepting it, SO I need to find a way to make the Church Basement our HOME and to find GOALS, where we can be seen and be helpful!! We have to find a way to make our Council the BEST AGAIN!

Call me personally if you have a question, or ideas. Ideas getting new MEMBERS? I would like to talk with YOU!

Vivat Jesus, Bernard Hemond Jr, GK