



The E-Knightlighter



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5, 12, 19, 26 - Bingo 6:30
PM, Hall

6 - 3rd Degree Meeting 7:00
PM, Chamber.

7 - 4th Degree Officers
Meeting, Hall, 7:00 PM

14 - 4th Degree Meeting, 7:00
PM, Hall

25 - Soccer Challenge, SPCS
Soccer Field, 2:00 - 4:00
PM



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4th Degree Install New Officers

Father Kenneth I. Parker Assembly # 1820 Knights of Columbus recently installed new officers for the Fraternal Year 2016-2017. The installation was at Saint Paul Catholic Church followed by a wonderful dinner at the Flame Restaurant. The Knights continue to contribute their time, talent and treasure for many community needs.

The Stewarts



Pictured left to right- first row – Sir Knight “Sandy” Stewart, Trustee 2 year, SK Dave Onofrio, District Master, Father Tom Tully, Pastor Saint Paul Catholic Church, Father Bill Lesak, Faithful Friar Assembly #1820, SK Patrick Rocco, Faithful Navigator. Second row-SK Jim Whetzel, Trustee 3 year, SK Ralph Aviles, Faithful Pilot, SK Richard Tomasik, Faithful Admiral. Third row-SK “Budd” Rancatore, Trustee 1 year, SK Phil Nassef, Outer-Sentinel, SK Craig Baader, Faithful Comptroller, SK Doug Uhland, Inner-Sentinel. Back row-SK George Halyak, Faithful Purser; SK David Rose, Faithful Captain, SK C.J. Brooker, Faithful Scribe.

National Rosary Prayer Service

The Knights of Columbus will hold their fifth Sunday Rosary Prayer Service on October 30th at 3:00PM in the Chapel at Saint Paul Catholic Church. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to join Sister Monique as she leads the Five Glorious Mysteries. This is part of a nationwide service the Knights hold when there are 5 Sundays in a month. We pray everyone will join us at this meaningful service.

Nancy and Sandy Stewart, PR KC Council



Grand Knight's Knightlighter Comments

August was another busy month. At our meeting we voted to donate money to Deacon Rick Fisher for the Boys and Girls Club of New Bern.

I would like to thank all those who attended the Purple Heart Dinner. There were 109 Purple Heart recipients in attendance. We had a great meal and it was rewarding to see all the people celebrating this great event. Our very own Brother Don Monk received a gift for his role as a Purple Heart recipient. God bless all of our service men and women.

The Knights Annual Shrimp Boil was held on the 12th. We had 230 people attending. This was the biggest crowd we have ever had. The pots were boiling cooking over 220 pounds of shrimp. Thanks to everyone for coming and supporting us. I would also like to thank all the people who put their heart and soul in putting this event on.

There will be a 1st degree on September 13th. Let's have a big showing for our incoming Brothers.

I thank all of you for your help and your support. God bless and you can make a difference.

Vivat Jesus

Philip Nassef, Grand Knight

Knight of the Month

The Knight of the month for September is none other than Brother C.J. Brooker. C.J. has been a very active member of Council 3303 and Assembly 1820 for many years. A former U.S. Marine, Brother Brooker's leadership as a past Grand Knight (2006-2007) as well as a past Faithful Scribe is part of the foundation that continues to foster follow-on leaders in our Council and Assembly. C.J. still remains very active in the Parish, Council, and Assembly. Under the Church's Director of Operations Deacon Dave, C.J. Brooker proudly serves as a primary Church Director, but more notably, C.J. is actively involved in the prison ministry which provides spiritual help for inmates. These days, C.J. is always visible assisting with Bingo nights, Yard Sales, and charitable Golf Tournaments to name a few. His unselfish actions have been instrumental in providing support to Saint Paul Parish and School. I believe I speak for all Brother Knights in expressing our thanks and appreciation to C.J. for his many years of dedicated service to bettering the Council and Assembly. We pray that C.J.'s dedicated service inspires other Brother Knights, to include our recently exemplified *Brothers*, to become more active in the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus.

Michael Lynch, DGK

Family of the Month

The family of the month for September is Jim and Rose Bottcher. Both Jim and Rose are very active at Saint Paul Church and volunteer their time whenever called upon. Jim is an usher at the Church and helps out with the bingo group on Monday nights. Rose and Jim are also very active with the yard sale, helping out every week preparing for the next sale. Thank you Jim and Rose for all of your hard work.

Nick Dalessandro, Family director

A Note from the Editors

Dear Brothers, I have been the Editor of your monthly newsletter for almost 10 years. It has been fun and challenging. As most of you know I am an Engineer by training not a writer but I am also a teacher. With that being said, I need to remind everyone that you need to proof read your own writings before you send them to me. Make sure that you capitalize the B in Brothers, K in Knights, and the C in Church when you are talking about one particular church or the Catholic Church as a whole. Spell out Saint as in Saint Paul. We all develop bad habits in our grammar and writing when we do not pay attention to our speech or writings. Spelling is another issue. If I cannot recognize the word and guess at the word that should go in the sentence I may change the meaning of your writing. Thank you for all that each of you do. Mike Haynes, Editor

Knights of Columbus' Large and Delicious Shrimp Boil

The Knights again held their Annual Shrimp Boil with an overflowing crowd. There were over 225 attending and this is believed to be the largest crowd ever. Brother Jim Whetzel and his crew cooked over 200 pounds of shrimp. This was served with Cole-slaw, potato salad, baked beans, hush puppies and ice cream for dessert. Let's give a big thanks to Brother Whetzel and his hard working crew.

The Stewarts



BINGO ANYONE??

The Knights of Columbus Bingo operation has been going for about 40 years. Doug Uhland has been in charge since 2006, what a Knight! They have 46 workers on their roster and use about 15 workers each Monday evening. In 2015 they ran 52 sessions with an average of 97 players at each session. That adds up to over 5000 people coming to play Bingo. After prize money and expenses, the Bingo committee is able to turn over a nice check each month to the Council. Again, we had our yearly appreciation dinner, for the workers and their spouses/guests. We enjoyed having 65 people attending this well-deserved dinner.

As with any group in the Knights, we can always use more help. Please call Doug Uhland at (252) 638-5953 to volunteer. No experience needed, on the job training provided. This is an excellent opportunity to mingle and mix with your fellow Knights and our customers.

The Stewarts



The Floor Workers

Some of the workers here are seated left to right Danny Gennantonio and Chris Skaggs
Standing Fred Amend, Jim Kelly, Bill Camp and Kevin Blust



The Kitchen Crew

Phil Nassef, Pat Rocco, Fred Nelson and Stan Namowicz





Faithful Navigator's Report

Thank you to all who came to our Installation of officers and joined us for dinner at the Flame. We had over 100 in attendance. Our officers can't thank you enough for your continued support.

For the past several months we have heard from numerous sources in the media, and from the Diocese, that our fundamental Catholic beliefs are under attack. We say to ourselves that it has been going on for a long time. It sure has been, and every time a "Defense of Truth" issue comes up in this country of ours, it continues to erode the moral fibers of our religious freedoms further and further. Our beliefs in the sanctity of life, marriage, and our religious freedoms are being put to the test by our government and our ever growing secular culture. We, as Christians, as an organization of Catholic gentlemen, who work to support the mission of our church, must do our part in defense of the truth to protect the values of life, faith, and family. We can do this by taking an active part in making a committed effort in reminding our local and state representatives how we stand on these issues and how they should be representing us. We have other ways to show support for our beliefs, through rallies in Raleigh, Jacksonville, and Washington DC, and our local life chains. Together we can make a difference.

Our yard sale is only weeks away October 20, 21, and 22. If you are able to help on any of those days it will be greatly appreciated.

Remember to keep our deceased Brothers and their families in your prayers

Patrick Rocco, Faithful Navigator

Sir Knight of the Month

Assembly 1820 would like to acknowledge John Lamanna as Sir Knight of the Month for September 2016. John joined the Assembly in October of 2000. In that time he has served our organization with his time and talent. John contributes his time organizing and transporting the Marines to and from the Yard Sale. Without the help from these dedicated Marines it would be a very difficult process indeed. As a past Grand Knight of 3303 he knows how to organize and keep things rolling. We are grateful for his service and dedication to the Yard Sale and our Assembly. When you see John please thank him for all he does.

God Bless,
David Rose, Faithful Captain

The American Red Cross recognizes the Knights of Columbus

We were recently given recognition for Red Cross volunteers and partnerships. The Knights were honored to receive this award for community service. When a disaster strikes or someone is in dire need, they refer those affected to the Knights for possible help.

American Red Cross Supervisor of Disaster services, Kelly Houten presented this award at their awards ceremony, to Brother Ralph Aviles, representing the Knights. Thanks to all of those that contribute to the American Red Cross.
The Stewarts



Bearing Witness to True Freedom

Half a century ago, Father Joe Kennedy, S.J., my college freshman year World History instructor reminded us that America was unmistakably founded on the Christian faith. He pointed out we need look no further than our nation's Founders' practice of prayer even at early planning sessions, the careful wording of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, legislative and judicial proceedings. In time references to God appeared on currency and etchings of Biblical figures and scripture prominently appeared on government buildings, courthouses and public schools. "There was no mistaking," Father continued, "God was the rock this nation was founded on, and life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness which this new country offered, all flows from Him. Freedom has, and always will be the right to do what I ought, not what I want."

The August issue of Columbia magazine contains a riveting message from Chaldean Archbishop Amel Shamon Nona of the Catholic Diocese for Australia and New Zealand, who served as Archbishop of Mosul, Iraq from 2010-2014. It is a poignant confirmation of how the exercise of our Catholic Christian faith bears witness to true freedom. The text of the article is adapted from an address the Archbishop gave last June in New York City to an annual gathering of the Catholic Lay Movement Communion and Liberation. Upon his arrival in Mosul, most of the Christians had already fled. When asked how he felt about going to a place like Mosul, he countered by saying a better question is: How does one confront persecution from a standpoint of faith? To the faithful gathered at his first Mass the Archbishop said, "Our lives are worth living fully and with joy at every moment. Even if others want to kill us; even if I have to die an hour from now, it is required of us to live life well, rejoicing and filled with courage in the present moment. The strongest weapon against terrorism is a joyful, fully Christian life." Since 2003, there had been a curfew in Mosul. However in 2011 the Archbishop told his faithful that there would be one Easter Mass and it would be late in the evening. We'll have one Mass and live it with joy and as a truly spiritual moment. The Archbishop told his people, "We will face fear with our faith, unity and with a participation in our destiny. After that, if they wish to kill us, so be it." With the curfew still in place the Archbishop asked the local police if they would give him a ride to church, and they did. When the time to celebrate Mass came, the church was full with standing room only. Archbishop Nuna praised his congregation by telling them, "We have challenged fear with the joy of our faith, with courage and with reason."

In his closing remarks Archbishop Nuna says that in the Western world life is based on freedom. We have fought for freedom, and it really is worth fighting for. But we have set our life on this one and only basis: freedom. And at the first sign of a problem or a challenge to our freedom, everything breaks down. We lose joy and safety and no longer feel loved. Freedom is necessary but it cannot be separated from Truth and Love. We cannot live as free people anywhere without Christian principles, values and ethics informing all aspects of our lives, including economics, politics and relationships. When we deprive freedom of all this, it becomes only an idol, and comes to mean we do whatever we want.

Mikie Casem, PGK

YARD SALE!!

Don't forget the Knights of Columbus gigantic yard sale October 20, 21 and 22nd from 8 am to 12 noon. Help is always needed just call Ralph Aviles. Also help is needed to distribute flyers and bake desserts for yard sale workers. To volunteer for this job please call Sandy Stewart. For more information regarding donations call Ralph Aviles 252-638-1704 or Sandy Stewart 252-633-9419. More details will follow in the October edition. The Stewarts

News for the Technology Students Association

You have read of our success last year. A large part of that was due to your support. Last year we sent thirteen students to the North Carolina State Competition and ten to the National Competition. We are starting the year off with double the number of students the chapter had last year.

This year we hope to bring home more trophies and recognitions for Craven County. Because of our work last year there are three new chapters at public schools in the county. We are working on one more. This is already putting us in line for the "Chapter of the Year Award". If there is any way that we can help the Knights please contact our Adviser, Mr. Mike Haynes. He will get the word to us.

Thank you again, HJ MacDonald Middle School TSA Chapter 1275

Boys and Girls Club Receive Support from Knights

Knights of Columbus, Father Kenneth I. Parker Assembly #1820 recently presented a check to Saint Paul Catholic Church Deacon Rick Fisher for the Boys and Girls Club of New Bern. The New Bern Club was started in October 2015. There are 247 children with 91% attending on a daily basis.

We are providing additional information about the Boys and Girls Club. They had 6 New Bern Boys and Girls Club (BGC) members receiving scholarship to participate in the Tryon Palace Fife and Drum Camp. In addition there were 3 young men, New Bern BGC members, from New Bern High School attending the First Tee Leadership Academy in Shallotte, N.C. The BGC tackles many issues every day, but they can't do it alone. If you are interested in helping, you may call Deacon Rick Fisher, member of their advisory board, 229-1644. "Great Futures Start Here"

The Stewarts



Presenting the Knights' check to Deacon Fisher are Sir Knight Pat Rocco, Faithful Navigator and SK David Rose, Faithful Captain.

P.S. Editor Note: A large number of students from HJ MacDonald Middle School have applications pending for BGC. Thank you for your support.



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*Help keep the Council informed so they may keep you informed***

Member Name

Member #

Date of Request

Information to be changed

What do you wish to update?

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The Tech Team

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Trustee (1 Yr.)	Pat Rocco	Columbus Club	Fred Amend
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Vocations	Open	Lounge Manager	Ralph Aviles

Officers of Father Kenneth I. Parker Assembly 1820

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Faithful Pilot	SK Ralph Aviles	Trustee 3 Year	SK James Whetzel
Faithful Comptroller	SK Craig Baader	Trustee 2 Year	SK "Sandy" Stewart
Faithful Scribe	SK CJ Brooker	Trustee 1 Year	SK Ignacio "Budd" Rancatore
Faithful Purser	SK George Halyak	Lounge Manager	SK Ralph Aviles
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