



Secaucus Knightly News

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Newsletter of Mary Immaculate Council #12769, Knights of Columbus

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July, 2019

Welcome Grand Knight Rich Steffens!

The Grand Knight's message:

We have ended one journey and prepared to venture on to another.

Yes, my term of office has come to an end and it has been quite an adventure these two years. Many of us have worked diligently with dedication to the order as well as to one another. As I had said once before there is actually a central core of about 20 to 30 individuals that come out to assist whenever it is needed and we are usually successful in whatever challenge is before us. Can you imagine if the 264 knights came out giving at least an hour or two a year.

Gentlemen, We have to up the bar this year to out do the previous year.

Although I am stepping down my successor Deputy Grand Knight Rich Steffens has taken up the torch to lead us into this next Columbian year as Grand Knight. I feel very confident in Rich and his officers. I know they will

do all they can to carry on the success that each Grand Knight that came before them. They are not afraid to try new ideas, but will need the support of everyone. If everyone would contribute to any of our programs such as purchasing a ticket for an affair or make a donation or an hour for a shake the can we can be even more successful then we have been. Ask yourself a question, Why did I join the Knights of Columbus?

There are some individuals who have not paid their dues for 4 or more years. If you are no longer interested in being a knight please send us a letter saying so. We are paying a per capita on each individual whether you are paying your dues or not. Those who are not are actually placing an unfair burden on the council because we have to pay that to Supreme. In some cases we can not contact some individuals. Keep your e-mail and address up to date.

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This year we brought in a significant amount of funds and at the same time we sent out the majority of those funds to various charities. This is a part of what we are about. Assisting those programs that are in need.

In closing I am not going far at all and will continue to be active with not only our council but two others. I have been appointed as District Deputy Supreme Knight for the 4th district. I will be here to guide the Grand Knights of the 3 councils that will be under my care. I know that Rich and his staff will be successful and wish Rich and his staff the best as they guide us onto the next calendar year.

Vivat Jesus,
Sal Manente Sr., PGK, PFN
Grand Knight

Dates to Remember:

**Monday, July 8 - 7:00
Special Officers' Meeting**

**July 10 - 6:30
Installation of Officers**

**Wednesday, July 17 - 7:30
Business Meeting**

2019-2020 Officers:

Rich Steffens, Grand Knight

Steve Zambrano, Dep. G. K.

Earle Connelly III, Chancellor

Brian Harth, Warden

John Niznik, Recorder

Rich Marrero, Financial Secretary

Charles Churchill, Treasurer

Charles Schumacher, Lecturer

Angelo Andriani, Advocate

Brian Beckmeyer, Inside Guard

Robert Ramos, Outside Guard

Ryan Bliss, Outside Guard

Chris Brillantes, 3 Yr Trustee

Luis Fernandes, 2 Yr Trustee

Anthony Reale, 1 Yr Trustee

**Please send photos to:
newsletter@kofc12769.org**

New GK's Message

Happy New Year, Brother Knights! We're fortunate, we can celebrate a New Year twice a year!! As we begin a new Columbian year, the first order of business is to congratulate PGK Sal Manente for his past two years as leader of our Council. He has had many successful events during his tenure. He certainly deserves our thanks!

Sal's new position as District Deputy is not only a reward for his past services, but is a benefit to our Council as well. Good luck Sal!

Brother Knights, the torch as been passed. I'll do my best to continue the legacy of respect our Council has enjoyed throughout the state. We can only accomplish the goals we set for ourselves by working hard together. I have every confidence that we will be successful. Our first official meeting of the year is Wednesday July 17th. I hope to see as many of you there as possible. Let's get off to a good

start together. Some surprise refreshments will be served!

Viviat Jesus!

Grand Knight Rich Steffens

**visit our website at:
www.kofc12769.org**

Monday started a new Columbian year! We begin with our Installation of Officers on Wednesday, July 10th in our church. I ask everyone to try to be there by 6:30 so we can start the ceremony promptly.

Immediately following the ceremony will be a dinner celebration at LaReggia restaurant here in Secaucus.

Anthony Reale helped choose a nice menu at a reasonable cost for Brother Knights and their guests. The cost is \$18.00 for a Knight and \$36.00 for a guest. Such a deal!!! We hope to see everyone join us for a fun filled night

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Bro. Chris and PSD Bob Hatler



Fr. Vic's homily in the woods.



**Lady Katherine gets a temp tattoo
at the SMA Italian dinner.**



**Our brothers hard at work feeding
the faithful at the ICC annual picnic
at Schmidt's Woods.**

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Family Night Out at Yogi Berra Stadium.

The council is looking to do an outing to Montclair State University Yogi Berra Stadium on August 1st to see The New Jersey Jackals take on The Rockland Boulders. Tickets are just \$17 each. Please reserve your seat(s) by July 25th by emailing Brother Anthony at areale@comcast.net.

Are you a member of one of our round tables? *Please read this:*

The goal of the round table is to assist your parish and become a Council of your own. The only way this will happen is by attending our meetings, learn how a Council functions and become more involved. This way, once you recruit more members to join your Round Table, you will be closer to becoming a functioning Council.



Attention Color Corps Members:

As of now, the regalia is no longer in use. All call outs will be done in the new uniform. If you do come with the regalia you can not participate in the event. Therefore, if your regalia or any part of your regalia belongs to the Assembly please drop it all off this week at my house.

**This includes the following:
Cape, Chapeau, Sword, Baldric,
Sword case, Chapeau case, Garment
bag and anything else that belongs to
the Assembly Color Corps.**

**Please call to be sure that someone is at home before you come
201-866-2988 or 201-866-2293.**

**Thank you for your dedicated service
to the Color Corps.**

**Vivat Jesus,
Color Corps Cmdr. Sal Manente**

**The passing of an era: Wearing of Color
Corps Regalia ended on 6/30.**

**The uniform of the day is the new
Patriotic (4th) Degree Uniform.**

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Color Corps at the Special Olympics.

**Welcome
Saint John
the Baptist
Council
#17254
in Paterson!**

