



# NEWSLETTER



## ST. Michael the Archangel, Patron of Police, Council 12173

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### Mark Your Calendar

10 Dec	Police Mass	Mercy Home	11:00
13 Dec	Knights Meeting	FOP(2nd Floor)	7:00
24 Dec	Police Mass	Mercy Home	11:00
<b>25 Dec</b>	<b>Police Mass</b>	<b>Mercy Home</b>	<b>10:00</b>
10 Mar 18	<b>20th Annual Dinner Dance</b>	Mayfield Banquets	6:00

### FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK:

Vacation raffle tickets are still available. Drawing will be 13 Dec 17  
 Golf tickets are selling for \$20.00. Included: 18 holes of golf with cart at Glen Eagles CC. Good until 10 Jul 18. *Makes great stocking stuffers*  
 Reminder: Dec meeting is the 2nd Wednesday of the month: \* 13 Dec \*

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

PAUL BAUER  
 WAYNE BUBAK  
 WILLIAM BURNHAM  
 PEDRO MOMOHARA  
 AL SZUDARSKI

## *A Message from Your Grand Knight:*

Greetings Brother Knights

Our November 8th meeting was a good one with a nice turnout, approximately 24. The new Lapel Pins were dispensed and recorded by SK Phil Riviera and the initial issue is free but additional pins will be sold at a modest price of \$3.00 each or four for \$10.00 which make an ideal little gift item, in this holiday season, for family members both near and far (grand kids away at school) they can pin them to their hat or book bag, etc. which show their family roots and pride.....It should be noted that other organizations have been observed selling their lapel pins for a much greater sum and we endeavor to keep our price down and at the same time realize a profit for the council, to continue our work.

As the meeting advanced we were blessed to have two new members honor us with their membership, P/O Juan Tamayo, 014 and CCS Sgt. Raymond Diaz, we are honored and the news of who we are, what we are and what we do is spreading. Equally important a member came up to me and asked: What can I do? How can I help. What jobs or assignments are there? Are there any positions you need help with....This, of course, is music to my ears and we are blessed in our council to have such members.

**BUSINESS:** We have received official word from Supreme, via e-mail, that my nominee for Financial Secretary has been officially recognized by Supreme and BK Paulino VILLARREAL will be our new FS. We also received good news from Supreme on another important issue, as you recall at our meeting in September, when we were talking about the new council star, a motion was made, 2nded, discussed and Passed, receiving an overwhelming vote approving the new council star contingent on approval from Supreme on design and lay-out. Supreme gave approval in an e-mail dated October 23, 2017, 01:59pm and also said they will do the production of this item at an impressive competitive price, which I'm very happy about. Then at our October meeting I was informed, by SK Paul Piraino, that a written Referendum was needed.....so at our November meeting I read my Referendum on the council star and concluded by saying "Be It Resolved: This motion is Passed" at which time SK Paul Piraino, Advocate, stated we had to do a physical mailing to all 130 members of the council so as to keep them informed. I maintained we have been keeping this issue in the newsletter and I was still going to do an e-mail blast and letters to the handful that use snail-mail.... SK Piraino said he didn't think e-mails were acceptable or recognized by the KC. I was in disbelief that in this era of high technology that a common thing like e-mails would not be used or recognized for use, so inquiries were made. I called SK John Muldoon who is an official at state level (he was instrumental in our council being formed in 1998) he believed I was right but was going to check on it. Then I called Supreme in New Haven, Connecticut and received an affirmative response in an e-mail dated November 14, 2017, at 3:18pm from SK Gary R. NOLAN, Vice President, Fraternal Mission Dept., Fraternal Education, Training and Ceremonials, Knights of Columbus....I copied SK John Muldoon on this e-mail and he concurred and added he remembered SK Gary Nolan when he was at state level in Illinois and he was / is a good man. Based on Supreme's response the aforementioned opinion of SK Paul Piraino is struck null and void and will carry no merit. All council members will be informed via e-mail and snail mail (US Mail). They will be asked to respond and have input into this important council action and/or attend the December 13, 2017 meeting at which time the September meeting, with the overwhelming vote, will be revisited and quantity of stars and council expense will be repeated to all again as it has been in the past.

**MOTION:** by SK Terry Cornell 2nded by SK Tony Langone for \$200.00 (with special exception) for Chaplains Holiday Season for Gold Star Families, All in favor. **PASSED**

**MOTION:** by SK Jim O'Leary 2nded by SK Phil Riviera for \$200.00 (with special exception) for Sheridan Carroll Food Bank to assist Blair School most needy, All in favor. **PASSED**



**MOTION:** by BE Paulino Villarreal, 2nded by SK Phil Riviera on whenever we (the council) purchase enough tickets at a event to warrant two tables or more that we stipulate adjoining tables. This motion was made because in 2016 at IAPA our members were at three different parts of the hall and in 2017, 22 tickets, two tables opposite ends of the banquet hall. Extensive discussion followed. Motion: **TABLED**.

**FOOD:** Hot Dogs, Brats an Polish, 40 count....end of night 3 left....all had some, some had more (they were very good) plus chips....many thanks to BE Gustavo Puento for food prep.

**Please don't forget about your dues...if your not sure check your records or ask to check our records.**

**SPECIAL REMINDER:** Some Golf tickets are still available First come First served we are about 80% sold. Tickets are good, for use, on demand from now until July 10, 2018 at the beautiful Glen Eagles Country Club in Lemont, Illinois, call for tee time. For your \$20.00 donation you will get 18 holes of golf with a cart, believe it or not it's a deal you don't want to miss, so buy several sets, twosomes, or foursomes and improve your game....others won't believe you got it for what you got it for, they'll think you won the lottery. FYI our PayPal buddy hangs out at "[knights12173.com](http://knights12173.com)" and he will help you pay now and play later. The ideal Gift.

**ALSO DON'T FORGET: VACATIONS, VACATIONS, VACATIONS:**

If I can win You can win too! That's right. There are still some tickets left. We are past the half-way mark, only 100 tickets will be sold for a Winter-Get-A-Way from Jan. 7th, 2018 to Jan.14, 2018 This is a deluxe resort at Cape Canaveral, Florida....two bedrooms/sleeps 8....forget the Chicago winter and be in sunshiny Florida. \$10.00 chances buy several for good odds and help a good organization. Do it by pushing the keys at "[knights12173.com](http://knights12173.com)" and PayPal will do the rest. **DRAWING WILL BE AT OUR DECEMBER 13, 2017 MEETING....** Thank You, Thank you.

**\*\*\*2018 CALENDAR: JAN. 24, FEB. 28, MAR 28, APR. 04 (Patriot Night), MAY 23, JUN.27, JULY 25, AUG. 22, SEPT. 26, OCT. 24, NOV.14, DEC. 12. Mark your calendars.**

**SPECIAL NOTICE: AD BOOK CONTRACTS AND POSTERS ARE IN FOR OUR 20th ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE ON MARCH 10, 2018....THE HOLIDAY SPIRT WORKS FOR GETTING AD'S FROM YOUR PARISH OR BUSINESS COMMUNITY.....ASK AND YOU SHALL RECEIVE IF YOU DON'T ASK THEY WON'T HEAR YOU. EVERY MEMBER SHOULD TRY TO BRING IN AT LEAST FIVE AD'S.**

**FOURTH DEGREE WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 17, 2018... DON'T PUT IT OFF, DO IT !**

**TEAM WORK IS A VALUE WE ARE BLESSED TO HAVE IN OUR COUNCIL. "GO-KC"**

**Lead Me, Guide Me, Lord**

**Dennis P. Fitzgerald**