

Knights Voice 2015 Dec20

***Best Wishes to St. Gerald's Knights and Their Families for a Happy and Blessed Christmas***

Best wishes to all St. Gerald's Knights and their families. May this blessed season bring great joy and happiness to you and yours. And may our Council renew our commitment that Christmas celebrates the birth of Christ and not a time of great retail sales.

In addition to the celebration of Christ's birth, it also is a time to look back over the year and assess our activities. Among the highlights was the receipt of a coveted Star Award from the national K of C. This award is for meeting our new members and new insurances targets and for programs impacting families, youth and charitable works. In the last six months of 2015 we are on course to match that progress.

A few of our members celebrated birthdays recently that were not recognized properly. Belated birthday wishes go to PGK Patrick Rogers and Louay Mansoor who shared Nov. 3 as a birthday. Michael Dombe celebrated Nov. 5 as did Fred Gerometta Nov. 11. December birthdays were marked by GK Darren Losey (Dec. 1), Giorgio Trolani (Dec. 3), Bill Croitor (Dec. 19), Brett Gierak (Dec. 20) and Michael O'Donohue (Dec. 27). Happy birthday to you all well.

With the New Year just around the corner, remember that Council dues for 2016 are due. If you are wondering about the optional "Take 5" levy, it is a state K of C program that supports 55 charities throughout the state. It supplements the proceeds of the state raffle.

Coming in January is a bus trip Jan. 9 to the Fire Keepers casino outside Battle Creek; another challenge for our spelling bee champions and runners up at the regional spelling bee Jan. 10; our monthly membership meeting Jan. 19, and a Jan. 24 pancake breakfast for the parish.

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