

# Newsletter March 2021

*From the Grand Knight Council 6504:*

*Dear Brothers,*

*Welcome to March 2021*

*I Hope that All of You and Your Families Continue to be Healthy & Safe!*

## *East Hanover Knights of Columbus March Highlights:*

- *EH K of C & St Rose of Lima Church Agreement Reviewed & Signed - by  
By Pastor Father Matthew & EH K of C Grand Knight Rich Koscielak -  
Dated 3/1/2020 – 3/1/2040*
  - *The Agreement Outlines EH K of C use of St Rose of Lima Rooms for EH K of C Meetings & Events. Officers Meetings 1st Wed. of the Month, General Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the Month, in the Labreque Hall/Lower Cafeteria, EH K of C Lounge to Promote & Retain Members, Fahey Hall (Gym), St Rose of Lima Church, & Other Rooms. And, To Outline EH K of C Continued Support & Services to the Pastor & St Rose of Lima Church, Parish & Community.*
- *Renovation of EH K of C Lounge - Major Accomplishments-To-Date &  
Next Steps*
  - *Rich Koscielak & Darren DeSardo Donated Couches & Love Seats & Tables*
  - *Bill Salemme Donated a 50" TV -- Bill also Pledged a PC for use in the Lounge & \$1,000 Donation for the Room.*
  - *Brothers Knights made a Motion & Voted to Dedicate the Lounge in Honor of Neale Baxter!*
  - *Brian Brokaw Led the Technical Evaluation & Technical/Careful Removal of the Center Wall*
  - *Brian Brokaw & Vinnie Piserchio Cut Sheetrock Across Center Wall on 2/6/21 & Removed Insulation to Locate Metal Studs & Metal Support Beams*
  - *Brian Brokaw, Dillon Brokaw, & Jon Isselin Removed Sheetrock & Metal Studs the Week of 2/8/21. Major Technical Work Completed!*

- Tony Scarpa's Son - Joseph Scarpa Volunteered his time with his Licensed Electrical Company-(Accurate Electric & HVAC) & Safely Relocated the Electrical Wires in the Center Walls into the Ceiling Electrical Boxes, Thanks-You So Much Tony & Joseph Scarpa for this Donation Of Time & Services to the Knights!!!
- Vinnie Piserchio Coordinated the Removal of Sheetrock, Studs & Carpeting on Saturday 2/13 with Brothers Joe Carvagno, Joe Carvagno Jr. Rich Koscielak, Andy Liebhauser, Joe Musso, & Gregg Taylor Donated their time to Remove all the Debris into the Dumpster.
- [Randy Rossilli came down to take Measurements for Laminate Flooring on Sat. 2/13!](#)
- Brian Brokaw, Vinnie Piserchio, Dillon Brokaw & Jon Isselin Continued to Install the 28' of Laminate Support Beams in the Ceiling to Support the Drop Ceiling on Monday 2/15!!!
- Brian Brokaw & His Crew Spent 6 Days Working on the Removal of the Half Wall Installing the Laminate Beam to Support the Drop Ceiling & Installing the Sheetrock/Plywood & Corner where needed. In addition, Meticulously, Spackling & Sanding Several Coats, Ready for Painting. Brian Brokaw & His Crew Spent Six Days Working on the Half Wall & All this labor would have Cost the Our Council an Estimated \$10,000 in Labor that Brian Brokaw Donated. **Thank You SO MUCH Brother Brian Brokaw for This MOST Generous Donation! Very Much Appreciated! This could not have been done without Your Generosity!!**
- Rich picked up Gray Paint at Home Depot. Both Rooms were Painted on Saturday 2/20 By Joe Carvagno, Rich Koscielak, Vinnie Piserchio, Bill Salemme, Gregg Taylor & Mile Trocchia.
- **EH K of C Lounge Painting Team**



*Vinnie Piserchio, Mike Trocchia, Bill Salemme, Gregg Taylor,  
Joe Carvagno.*



***Vinnie Piserchio, Mike Trocchia, Bill Salemm, Gregg Taylor, Rich Koscielak***

- *Randy Rossilli Donated Beautiful Commercial Laminate Flooring the Week of 2/22/21.*
- *Randy Rossilli's Installers Leveled the Cement Floor to Tile Floor on Thurs. 2/25 & Fri. 2/26 and Installed the Gray/Light Brown Laminate Flooring & Cove Molding on Saturday 2/27.*
- *As discussed, & agreed to at previous EH K of C Meetings, Randy said he would be so Generous to Donate the Light Gray/Brown Laminate Flooring, but the EH K of C would have to Pay for the Floor Installation which was totally reasonable & understandable.*
- *Randy's Preliminary Estimate is for the Floor Installation was ~\$3,500. Actual came out to \$3,760.*
- *As Promised, Randy Rossilli Donated ~ \$7,400 in Beautiful Laminate Flooring for Our EH K of C Lounge. **Thank-You SO MUCH Brother Randy Rossilli for***

***this MOST Generous Donation!!! This could not have been done without  
Your Generosity!!!***

***EH K of C Floor Installation Team***



***Luxury Floors Installer Working Hard***



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***Randy Rossilli Supervising Top Notch Professional Floor Installation!***



***Randy Rossilli & His Great Professional Floor***

***Installation Team!***

- *Gregg Taylor Purchased & Installed New Electrical Switches, Outlets & Wall Plate Covers. Updating them for safety & and to give the Room a New Clean Look, Thanks So Much Gregg!!!*





*EH K of C Lounge - Completed Beautiful Laminate Flooring*

*Picture 1*



*EH K of C Lounge - Completed Beautiful Laminate  
Flooring Picture 2*



### ***EH K of C Lounge - Completed Beautiful Laminate***

#### ***Flooring Picture 3***

- *Gregg Taylor & Rich Koscielak Cut the 2 Doors Down Leading into the Lounge to accommodate the new Laminate Flooring height.*
- *Vinnie Piserchio & Joe Musso spent time on Saturday, 3/13/21 Adjusting the Vertical Blinds, They are going to get New Tension Rods Next! They also Cleaned the Windows & Window Sills with Windex, This will Eliminate the Need to Previous thoughts of Replacing the Blinds!! Thank-You So Much For Your Efforts!!*
- ***Current Bills-to-Date*** - *Brokaw Receipts - \$695, Garden State Waste Mgmt. \$445, Home Depot Paint \$220, Floor Install \$3,800. + Electrical Outlets \$49 = **\$5,209** vs Budget \$5,000 = **\$209** - Randy said Floor would have been \$11,000- **Randy Donated \$7,240.***
- ***Next Steps*** - *Rich will Contact Fred Donatelli with **Neale Baxter Dedication Plaque.***
- ***Next Steps*** - *Father Matthew said he had an **Extra Ping Pong Table** for us.*

- **Game Tables to Consider** - Shuffle Board, Pool Table Card Tables Etc.. Used Vs New>>>
- **Next Steps** – April 7<sup>th</sup> Officers Meeting – Develop a Budget to Present at the April 12<sup>th</sup> General Meeting for EH K of C Furnishings TV's & Game Tables Budget!
- **Donations For TV's & Game Tables** – If Any Brother has a large Screen TV, Pool Table, Ping Pong Table or Shuffle-Board Table You would Like to Donate to this Lounge Please give Rich Koscielak at (973)-632-6407.
- **Thank You All** - For All Your Knights Teamwork to Get So Much Technical & Hard Lifting Done **In Lightning Speed! You are All Truly Amazing!!!**
- **EH K of C "People with Intellectual Disabilities Drive Planning – Director – Robert Cosentino**
  - **Kickoff Saturday March 20<sup>th</sup>**. Robert Discussed Details at March 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting & Passed Around Sign-Ups Scheduling Sheets & Handed out Aprons & Buckets.
  - Business Letters Donations Went out. Please Call Robert to help Safely Collect (with Masks (973) 632-3749.
- **EH Membership Drive Tactics – Membership Director - Paul Matey** Developed New Dynamic 2021 EH K of C Strategies & Tactics to Kickoff this Year's Membership Drive Efforts.
  - Paul will Present them at the Next Officers Meeting & at the April 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting as well! They Encompass some Tactics mentioned at the NJ 1/16 Meeting Rich Attended & the Tactics Council 5410 Shared, Plus Paul's Great Ideas as well!
- **EH K of C Membership Drive Sign/Poster Update Sent to Mario Accumanno on 1/16/21 – Rich**
- **New Open EH K of C Candidates (3) - Carmine Bronzino, Steve Gargiulo, Trevor O'Reilly – Paul Follow- up For CUF Training.**
- **Next Potential ("CUF") Degree Date – CUF Team, Chris said he can do this on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday's of the Month. Paul Matey will Call the Candidates above to try to coordinate the Next CUF Training. On-Line CUF Degrees are Always an Option. Mike Trocchia's Son Took the On-Line CUF Degree.**
- **2021 EH K of C Membership List Updated & Dues Letters to Members Updated & Went Out. Gregg has provided 3 Updates already!! 87/139 Paid \$3,230/\$6,485 Paid 59/87 Disability Drive**
- **March Madness Fundraiser** - Tickets In \$10 & 10 Per Envelope. Handing Out Tickets at 2/8 Meeting Deadline March 17th! – **Joe Musso & Bob Leach are**

leading this Fundraiser. Additional Tickets can be picked up at Joe Musso's Office.

- **EH K of C Fundraiser Bags** – EH K of C Future Fundraiser – **Led by Bob Leach** again!
  - Bob Leach sent email to District Deputy George Coppola who shared it with his four Councils to see if they were interested in buying bags from us. They declined.
  - Bob said we are purchasing 250 Navy-Blue Color Bags with the East Hanover Knights of Columbus Council # 6504 on them. They have been ordered!
- **Discuss Upgrading TeleConference Phone &/or WIFI for Zoom Meetings in Cafeteria for Improved EH K of C Virtual Meetings** – Large TV in Cafeteria Works for Zoom Meetings. Deacon Ron Forino said he would Help us get started. Mike Trocchia & Gregg Taylor will ask Father Matthew if EH K of C can gain Login Access!
- We will also look into New Phone for Call-in Calls for better Sound Quality as well. Since Covid is not going away any time soon.
- **Warden Officer Needed** – **Bob Leach Has Graciously Accepted the Warden Position. Thanks So Much Bob Leach!!!**
- **Recorder Officer Needed** – Volunteer is Still Needed
- **NJ K of C Fourth Degree Requested EH K of C Fourth Degree to Represent EH K of C** – Joe Carvagno Has Graciously Accepted to Represent the EH K of C 4th Knights at the Fourth Degree Meetings Virtually for now. Officers Meeting are on the 1st Tuesday of the Month and the **General Meetings** are on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays of the Month, both at 7:30 PM, Thanks So Much Joe for Representing the EH K of C Fourth Degree Knights. Very Much Appreciated!
- **K of C Safe Environment Training Course Certification - Grand Knight, Program Director, Family Director, & Community Director are Required to take Course.** Rich, Andy, Mike & Vinnie All Completed the Certification.
  - Rich Sent in the Form 365 To State/Sherry Mazcyk - 2/10/21 for Council 6504 to be Compliant.
- **EH K of C Website Updates** - Andy is in the Process of Updating Our EH K of C Website
- **Paterson Federation H.S. & College Scholarships Due 5/15 & 5/21 Respectively, - Child, Foster Child, GrandChild, Adopted Child of Current or Deceased Member of the Council in Good Standing**



- ***EH K of C St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance*** – *Joint St. Patrick's/St Joseph's Day Dinner Dance Has been Cancelled Due To Covid Safety Concerns!*
- ***Terri Lynn Nut/Candy Fundraising Program*** – *Mike Trocchia Volunteered to Get Samples to Evaluate. - Randy Rossilli said we need to be careful Not to Compete with Town School Fundraisers, Noted!*
- ***Mike Ditta GoFundMe Site*** – <https://gofund.me/46bdf320> - Fred sent out a Sympathy Card.
  - Mike Sent \$ 200 Donation Directly to Mike Ditta
- ***Donation to Bishop Sweeney Charity*** - \$100 Donation was Used by Bishop Sweeney for the Seminarians Donations. Donations were Appreciated!
- ***Donation to Ad Book for Our District*** for Vincent Tavormina - \$25 was Appreciated.
- ***NJ Wildwood Convention*** – May 14-16 2021 Fri/Sat Minimum. Room Rates ~\$85 Per Night. No Refunds after 4/1/21. –
  - Rich & Vinnie Sent in Checks for \$117 for Reservations to Attend.
- ***NJ Covid Vaccine Sign-up Link*** – [covidvaccinne.nj.gov](https://covidvaccinne.nj.gov)
- ***EH K of C Signs*** Update- Wait till Spring to Put Them Up. Mike Trocchia Leading this Effort
- ***House Manager*** - Need Assistant to Chris, Reinstitute Refreshments at Meetings! Pizza or Sandwiches?? Ask Brothers Which They Prefer, If they Will Stay After Meetings to Enjoy them?
- ***Ushers Needed Going Forward?*** – Joe said he has Enough Ushers for Now!
- ***EH K of C Brothers Helping Brothers*** – Ron Angelo asked to be Removed
- ***18. Other??*** - Brothers in Need of Prayers - Fred Donatelli, Carmine Davino -, Kathy Liebhauser - Andy's Mom. George LaVecchia, & Kathie Koscielak, Please Pray for Our Dear Brothers & Their Families!
- ***General Meeting Start Time Change From 8:00 PM to 7:30 PM*** – *Did Not require Change in By-Laws. We will try this for the Remainder of this Year to see if this helps/hinders the attendance at Meetings.*
- ***Next General Meeting April 12th at 7:30PM St Rose of Lima Church - Lower Cafeteria***
- ***Virtual Call-In (602)-580-9216 and Access Code 2237738#***
- ***More Event Volunteers Needed*** – *We know that the current Covid-19 situation may have some of our Brothers uneasy about attending the General*

Meetings, but, we have limited our General Meetings to once a month for now, and we all are REQUIRED to wear Masks, and we sit far apart to ensure safety at all times at our Meetings. We would welcome you to come back and share your ideas and to volunteer for events when you feel comfortable doing so. Please RSVP to Andy Liebhauser at (201)- 317-6507 to Volunteer for Events or Recorder or Warden Positions.

- **New EH K of C Field Agent – Kevin Cox** – Insurance & Retirement Specialist attended the October 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting and Introduced himself. He went over his experience as a Senior Vice President in the Insurance Industry. He has exceptional experience with Retirement Planning and Welcomes the opportunity to work with our Council. **Please Call Kevin at 973-785-8567 or email him at-- [kevin.cox@kofc.org](mailto:kevin.cox@kofc.org)**
- **EH K of C Strategic Plan Committee** - (Andy Liebhauser, Frank DeMaio, Bill Salemme & Rich Koscielak) (Previous June 2015 Copy from Rich Koscielak was Distributed after the Meeting).
- Review of EH K of C By-Laws & Strategic Plan Sub-Committee Meeting TBD.
- **Food Pantry** – (Open 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday Each Month from 10:00AM-11:00AM) Father Matthew Indicated that Food Cards are Now Preferred, so Parishioners in Need Can Go & Buy what they need.
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- **Please Remember To Check on Your Neighbors**
  - **Please Keep Our Brothers & Others mentioned below, in Our Prayer & Intentions:**
    - **Deacon Vin & Peggy Leo**
    - **Frank Nolan**
    - **Rick Musso & Brother**
    - **Fred Vaccaro**
    - **Randy Rossilli**
    - **John Kinney (Additional Prayers Needed)**
    - **Fred Donatelli**
    - **Carmine Davino**
    - **Kathy Liebhauser**

- [Alan Politi](#)
- [George LaVecchia](#)
- [Kathie Koscielak](#)
- **[Special Intentions For: All People Who are Sick Or Died from Covid-19](#)**
- **[Please see Morris County Link for New Public Testing below:](#)**

	<p><a href="#">Morris County Launches New Public Testing as CC Statewide   Morris County, NJ</a></p> <p>determine whether to order a nasal or a saliva test process of scheduling at-home delivery of testing required to provide their insurance information, or indicate that they are uninsured.</p> <p><a href="http://morriscountynj.gov">morriscountynj.gov</a></p>
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- <https://morriscountynj.gov/2020/11/morris-county-launches-new-public-testing-as-covid-19-rate-spikes-statewide/#:~:text=The%20Morris%20County%20Board%20of,spike%20in%20the%20virus%20statewide.>
- [First Responders \(Police, Fire & EMT\)](#)
- [Military](#)
- [People & Families Struggling with Addictions](#)
- [Wishing All Our Brothers with Birthdays a Healthy & Happy Year!](#)

***Thank-You, and Please Stay Healthy & Safe!***

**God Bless You All!**  
**Your Brother in Christ,**  
**Rich Koscielak**  
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