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New Jersey Knights of Columbus Amateur Radio Club

ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

Our club elections were held at our last meeting, and the following individuals were elected/re-elected to the listed positions:

Tom Perrotti, N2JIE----President

Joe Callavini, NJ9L--Vice President

Bob Rogan, K2OFC--Secretary

Greg Keller, KE2HXK--Treasurer

Thank you, gentlemen, for assuming the leadership roles necessary to keep our club functioning, and for re-electing me to my position.

RAFFLE 2026

The Raffle Report of Operations from our raffle has been completed and was sent to the state, via both EMail and USPS. We netted $528.27 from the raffle -- $250 went to Paterson Catholic Charities and $250 went to South Jersey Catholic Charities. The remaining funds will be transferred to our checking account to further our charitable objectives.

GIFTS AND GRANTS

Bob Crothers, KE2HVH, was voted in as our newest member at our November meeting. Bob is a General Class operator and is a parishioner at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish in Minotola, NJ. Bob also bought one of our club T-shirts. Welcome, Bob !!!

Bob was also nice enough to donate two radios that came into his possession -- a Baofeng UV-5R and a Clegg FM-28 2m rig. Those items will be logged into our inventory and will be used in furtherance of the mission of the NJKCARC.

CQ SANTA

CQ Santa is an on-the-air program that enlists the help of Saint Nick and some very dedicated elves.

Amateur Radio Operators schedule a QSO between Santa and the children on 3.916 MHz, starting the day after Thanksgiving. Since 2019, over 5,000 such QSOs have been made. If you know of a young child who would like to speak with Santa (who has a resounding laugh and Ho Ho Ho), who will call the child by name, register them online via cqsanta.com.

Join CQ Santa via the Santa Net on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 1900 Central Time (2000 Eastern Time), with check-ins beginning at 1845 Central Time (1945 Eastern Time).

RAISERIGHT

Please sign up for RaiseRight. We have raised almost $500 from sales through RaiseRight. Simply make a purchase through RaiseRight, and a certain percentage of your purchase will go to the NJKCARC. Total charge to you -- 29 cents per transaction. Please go to RaiseRight.com/invite/app/EMail/RR-ML2C6JHPYW and sign up!

It's painless. I promise.

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WHAT'S NEW IN AMATEUR RADIO?

Black Friday is just around the corner. Ham Radio Outlet (HRO) and other stores usually have decent sales on new rigs and equipment during the weekend following Thanksgiving. If you are in need of a new rig, this is the time to spend your money!

There is a DXpedition (VK9XY) to Christmas Island from November 16-December 4, 2026. The DXpedition is listed as being "youth focused". Do you need Christmas Island as a contact for an early Christmas present? If so, check dxsummit.fi for VK9XY and work them!

WHAT'S NEW IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?

Our Supreme Chaplain, Archbishop William E. Lori, challenges us to be aware of and serve those in need, specifically addressing both sins of commission and sins of omission, through initiatives like the *Coats for Kids* program (Supreme Chaplain)

In New Jersey, Man Up South Jersey (MUSJ) men's conference was held on November 14, 2026, at Paul VI High School in Haddonfield, NJ. Scheduled speakers included Bishop Joseph A. Williams and Bishop Dennis J. Sullivan.

CHAPLAIN

If you have any thoughts on a new club chaplain, please let me know. Tell him about our club. Show him our website. Invite him to one of our meetings.

NETS

Become a Net Control Operator!

Become a net control operator! Tell people over the air what to do!

Please volunteer to be Net Control Operators for our nets!

Our current net schedule is:

Monday at 7:00 pm Eastern on 40m
Monday at 8:00 pm Eastern on 80m

Consult NetLogger.org for specific Band/Frequency.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

From the Perrotti family, please enjoy a very happy, healthy and safe Thanksgiving. The importance of time spent together with loved ones is so often underestimated.

Vivat Jesus and 73,

Tom
N2JIE

JOIN US !!!

Those eligible may join NJKCARC!!!
Visit https://NJ2KC.org/join for details.

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PURPOSE STATEMENT

The New Jersey Knights of Columbus Amateur Radio Club (NJKCARC) is organized and established as a non-profit charitable, educational, and scientific organization of members to: promote the hobby of Amateur Radio in all of its forms and modes; to establish, train, educate, and evaluate a local Amateur Radio network to provide electronic communications in the event of local disasters or other emergencies; recruit, train, and continually educate persons interested in becoming licensed amateur radio operators; facilitate the participation of its members in local, regional, national, and international amateur radio activities; the purpose of such participation is to improve the operating proficiency of its members and to ensure readiness to provide emergency communications; to promote the Knights of Columbus through Amateur Radio, and by helping local councils obtain new members through Amateur Radio; to provide service to bishops, priests, parishes, dioceses, and Knights of Columbus councils, assemblies, chapters, federations and any other subordinate entities by assisting those listed above in celebrating their own special events by creating and working Special Event Stations (SESs) celebrating milestones of the above-listed; assisting RACES, SKYWARN,SATERN, ARES and/or other entities, directly or indirectly related to Disaster Relief when necessary or when called upon to assist; to further the hobby of Amateur Radio, by offering training sessions in Amateur Radio; to assist the Knights of Columbus, the New Jersey State Council Knights of Columbus and any subordinate entities as needed or requested; sponsor and hold amateur radio nets, spreading the information about the charitable activities performed by the Knights of Columbus, all whenever possible to do so. The Patron Saint of the Club is Saint Maximilian Kolbe.