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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, family and friends,

What a great way to start off this Columbian year! We had a beautiful summer day for our Installation Mass and then a great party to celebrate our new officers. I would like to thank Father Sean Manson for allowing us to celebrate in St. John's. A special thank you to Father Dermot Roache, our chaplain, who celebrated our mass and gave a very inspirational homily. I would also like to thank all of the men who assisted with our party, a great job was done by all.

We are moving forward with many things in the near future. We will once again be participating in Dumont Day. So, I am asking for all of your help, when you get the call, please give us a couple of hours. Remember, we are all in this together. With that being said, please join us this month as we partner with The American Legion, Post 21 of Cresskill at the Tri-Valley restaurant every Tuesday for your dine in, take out or delivery order. With each order, Tri-Valley will donate 15% of your order and will go toward the purchase of a new van to be used to transport disabled veterans in our area.

As many of you know, we are looking to get our air conditioning upgraded. I am very happy to say that the new AC units have been installed and are working perfectly. A very special thanks go out to our FS Ken Armellino and the Columbian Club who headed up the project and kept us updated on the installation.

Please join us this Friday August 4, 2023 for a special Friday night social to inaugurate the new AC with pizza, games and friendship. The festivities begin at 7:00 PM, see you all there.

Please keep our sick and fallen brothers in your prayers as God keeps his watch on all of us. May his blessings continue to keep us safe and may he continue to protect those who protect us.

Vivat Jesus!

Chuck Hollis, Grand Knight, FDD

The Chaplain's Message will return in the September 2023 Knight Times.

From the Editor: In lieu of a message from Fr. Dermot, I offer the following from Catholic Culture:
(<https://www.catholicculture.org>):

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart. Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (and not adored as the Sacred Heart of Jesus is) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her divine Son), virtue, and inner life. Such devotion is an incentive to a similar love and virtue.

This devotion has received new emphasis in this century from the visions given to Lucy Dos Santos, oldest of the visionaries of Fatima, in her convent in Tuy, in Spain, in 1925 and 1926. In the visions Our Lady asked for the practice of the Five First Saturdays to help make amends for the offenses committed against her heart by the blasphemies and ingratitude of men. The practice parallels the devotion of the Nine First Fridays in honor of the Sacred Heart. On October 31, 1942, Pope Pius XII made a solemn Act of Consecration of the Church and the whole world to the Immaculate Heart.

Let us remember this devotion year-round, but particularly through the month of August.

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Healing and Wake Report

As of June 30, 2023

Bold indicates new name or a change in condition.

To add a name, please call Jim Callahan: 201-655-2634.

Notice: The Healing List for members, family and friends of members will be updated every 3 months and names will be removed from the list after 3 months. If you want a name to remain/be placed back on the list, please email Jim Callahan at: jmc712@aol.com.

Members

-Don Wuertz
-Dan Taylor
-Fred Schuldt
-Michael Siano
-John McGill, PGK, PFN
-Jeff Martin
-Father Dermot Roache, Chaplain
-**Andrew Santulli**
-DGK Brian O'Dowd
-Larry Rivera, PGK
-Emil Harris
-Lou Sciarrino
-Matt Connell
-John Graham
-Mike Cremin

Relatives & Friends

-Janet Trawinski, wife of Edward A. Trawinski, Jr.
-Fr. Ray Filipiski, priest at St. John's Church
-Sr. Ann Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray
-Nancy Florio, wife of Ken Florio
-Nancy Hecker, wife of Paul Hecker
-Janice Forlini, Columbiette
-Mary McGowan, wife of Gerald McGowan
-Joyce Tyson, mother of Michelle Sciarino
-Millie Healy, wife of Marty Healy, PGK
-Ann Meyer, wife Herb Meyer, FSD
-Barbara McEllen, Columbiette
-Nina DiCostanzo, Columbiette
-Maryjo Harris, wife of Emil Harris
-Marlene Stoever, wife of Jim Stoever, State Deputy

Wake

-John Cronin
-Father Patrick W. Donohue
-Robert Carney, Brother of Columbiette Maureen Italiano
-Herb Meyer, FSD

Organ Donor Program

Brothers, with your family and friends, become an Organ Donor. The life you save is precious, and could be family, a relative, or a friend. Sign up at: www.registerme.org/knights or with Greg Ryan, 201-919-2535

Deputy Grand Knight's Report

Brothers,

As we start a new Columbian Year, let's continue, as we did at the Installation mass, to pray for guidance and the right disposition to serve our church and community as we seek to grow in our faith. Talking about faith and service, some dates to note on your calendar:

August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption, a holy day of obligation.

August 15th is also the start of the St. John's Carnival. As we have done in the past, we will support the Carnival by helping with the game booths. Thanks to those who have already volunteered. Hours Tuesday through Friday, 6-10PM, Saturday 3-11PM. Please call or email me with whatever hours you can help. (knottrj@optimum.net-or 201- 675-2802).

September 23rd offers two great opportunities for us knights in spiritual growth and service.

First, that Saturday morning, assist at the New Jersey Veterans Home as our chaplain, Father Dermot revives the Saturday morning mass for the patients. As we have in the past, we would need men to transport patients who are in wheelchairs to the mass. Contact Brother Jim Callaghan for information or to volunteer.

Second, that same Saturday there's also a great one-day retreat: The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal invite men to spend a Saturday morning and afternoon with them in their monastery backyard in Newark. There is no charge, a free will offering will gladly be accepted. The day starts with donuts and coffee, includes themed talks by the friars, mass, lunch, Eucharistic Adoration, and the chance, if you choose, to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I and several brother knights have attended in the past and give this day rave reviews. For more information please visit: <http://friendsofthenewarkmonastery.org/>.

You can't do both, but participating in either one will make you feel better as a Knight and a Catholic gentleman.

Vivat Jesus!, Bob Knott, DGK

Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

I'm happy to announce that the new air conditioning units have been installed at our Council home. The TBCC officers worked hard to make this happen and the savings we will reap from these more efficient units greatly enhances our ability to make additional improvements to the Council. I want to recognize the herculean efforts of Ken Armellino who made this dream a reality. Ken secured an affordable payment plan that the TBCC was able to incorporate into its budget and he coordinated the project among PSE&G and our HVAC and roofing contractors. This is another example of how the TBCC works hard, diligently, behind the scenes and hand in hand with the Council to improve our facility. I can't say it any simpler-this is just a great result!

I reiterate our need for volunteers at our events. Our volunteers are instrumental to our success. Please answer my call and text when we seek volunteers. See what the result is? Great things!

Steve Martin, TBCC President, DD, PGK

Respect for Life Report

What will it take to change peoples' minds and hearts regarding ABORTION? We Pro life people just cannot say it is immoral because it sounds like a Religious/Church thing. We can say it is killing a human child. The Pro death people don't like to hear that. But they know that a baby's life begins at conception. Science proves that is the case.

Matt Connell, Chairman

Columbiette Report

"Summer Days drifting away...

Oh, the summer nights,

Well-a, wella-a, wella, huh"

(Grease, 1978)

Back in June, (I know, it's already August!) the Columbiettes of New Jersey held their State Convention at the Embassy Suites in Piscataway, NJ. It was reported that the state of New Jersey has 1972 members. The backpack ministry received over 600 backpacks, numerous bags of toiletries were collected for the homeless and tons and tons of tab tops were collected also. The collection of our "Pennies from Heaven" amounted to \$11,900.00, each of our Seminarians received a check for \$2,500. St. John's was proud to receive the "Women of God" Award and the award for 100% participation in the NJ State Council Charity Raffle.

PLEASE NOTE: We will once again have a "**Sneaker Drive**" in August. You can bring your old or slightly used sneakers down to the council hall on August 16th or August 17th, 7 pm to 9 pm or August 23rd or August 24th, 7 pm to 9 pm.

Our first Columbiette meeting of the new year 2023-2024 will be on the **FOURTH** Wednesday: September 27, 2023, NOT ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY. Please mark your calendars accordingly. As always, the meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 pm.

Have a great rest of the summer and as the song says..."See you in September!"

Peace!, Roberta Elwell, Past President

Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament

Join us for the Twin Boro Columbian Club's Premier Fundraiser Saturday, August 5th to help support the Club's facilities and its charitable works. The \$100 buy-in includes hot buffet of roast beef, mashed potatoes, chicken tenders, french fries, bread, and salad throughout the evening, as well as tap beer, wine, soda, coffee, and the tournament entry. Check In and buffet at 6 pm, tournament starts at 7 pm. Non-players \$20pp. RSVP online at MikesPokerTables.com and get a 500 Chip Bonus. Call or text Ken A. at 1-516-220-9333 with questions.

Dates to Remember

(Events are at the Council unless noted otherwise)

Fri, August 4th Recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary's
Church – **6:05 pm**; Holy Hour/Eucharistic
Adoration at St. John's - **8:30 pm**
Fri, July 4th Council Social – **7:00 pm**
Mon, August 14th Officers Meeting – **7:30 pm**
Mon, July 21st Council Meeting – **8:00 pm**
Sun, Sept 17th Anniversary BBQ – **2 to 5 PM**
Sat, Sept 23rd Mass at the Veterans Home in
Paramus – **10:30 am**

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6 pm.

Eucharistic Adoration

DGK Bob Knott asks that you contact him at 201-675-2802 or email him at knottrj@optimum.net if interested in St. John's overnight Eucharistic Adoration.

Next Council Meeting – Monday, August 21st

Our next Council meeting will be held on Monday, August 21st at 8 pm. Prior minutes can be reviewed by going to KofC1345.org and selecting "Minutes" from the left-hand side. When prompted, enter "1345" for the user and "armour" (case sensitive) for the password.

Save the Date! – Saturday, September 23rd

Mass at the Veterans Home in Paramus

The Bergen Federation is working to bring back Mass at the Veterans Home in Paramus. Brother Knight Jim Callahan is responsible for scheduling the Masses and will need help to get it started. Father Dermot has committed to celebrating the return of the first Mass on Saturday, September 23rd at 10:30 am and we will need volunteers to help transport residents to Mass from their rooms to the cafeteria. The Veterans Home no longer tests volunteers for Covid and masks are optional; but you need to have been vaccinated (but not boosted). We plan on one Mass to start and thereafter, other Councils in the Federation will be expected to volunteer each month. Please call Jim Callahan at 201-655-2634 to volunteer on September 23 to help the Bergen Veterans attend Mass.

Save the Date! – Sunday, September 17th

Council 1345 Anniversary BBQ

Details to be included in the September Newsletter.

Save the Date! – Monday, October 16th

Our Chaplin, Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA will give a talk at the Council on his book, "I Am the Mother of God--And Yours." Time TBD.



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FUNDRAISER to ASSIST DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

St. Johns' Council #1345 of the Knights of Columbus and Camp Merritt Post 21 of the American Legion are partnering with Tri-Valley Family Restaurant to raise funds to purchase a **NEW VAN** to transport **Disabled American Veterans**.

Every **Tuesday in August**, mention this fundraiser and 15% of your dine-in, takeout, or delivery order will go to support this fundraiser.



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For more information or questions Call Jim Callahan at 201-655-2634



ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL COLUMBIETTES



SNEAKER COLLECTION

At the Council Hall located at 61 Armour Pl, Dumont, NJ

Accepting men, women or children gently worn, extremely loved sneakers and new sneakers.

August 16th and 17th 7pm-9pm

August 23rd and 24th 7pm-9pm

Please tie or rubber band pairs together.

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**GET YOUR CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN OLD SNEAKERS
BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS.**

Sneakers are manufactured with materials that are not biodegradable, they remain in landfills or are incinerated which leads to toxic chemicals in our air and soil.

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Please contact Genine Armellino at 917-992-2011 genine810@yahoo.com or Laura Labetti 201-788-5971 labetti250@optonline.net with any questions.

