



The Knight Times

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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, family, and friends,

To be honored once as a Grand Knight was a blessing, but to be honored twice to serve as Grand Knight for a second term is more than a blessing. I am humbled and truly honored in the faith and trust that my Brother Knights have placed upon me to lead this great council. With the help of incoming Columbiette President, Genine Armellino, this council can and will do great things. We, however, cannot do it alone. Your help is needed in all areas of our charitable functions. Whether you join us for a Friday night social or helping at an event, every little bit helps, and I know I can count on all of you.

I would be remiss if I did not mention our outgoing Grand Knight, Gerry Flood. Gerry has led us for the last two years and has brought us through some tough weather. I was asked by him to serve as his Deputy Grand Knight and he has shown me things to help continue to grow our council and make it the best in Bergen but don't go far, I'll need some help along the way. Thank you, Gerry, for all your wisdom and knowledge, but more importantly, for your friendship. Please join us for our Officers Installation on July 22, 2023, at St. John's Church, 29 North Washington Avenue, Bergenfield at 3:00 PM. We will start with a mass to be celebrated by our Chaplain, Father Dermot Roache and then back to the Columbian Club Hall for our Dinner. This year's dinner is catered by the Italian Connection, music by Mike and Noreen. Beer, wine and soda are included all for the price of \$40.00 per person. The flyer is attached. Hope to see you all there.

May God Bless each and every one of you, keep us all safe from harm as we continue to be "those dedicated to the Heavenly Court, the Knights of Columbus".

Vivat Jesus,

Chuck Hollis, Grand Knight, FDD

Chaplain's Message: Leadership and Service

"I have not come to be served, but to serve."

These timeless words of Jesus are invaluable. Service is an act of charity. In the general catholic understanding, service is performing one's religious duty as a creature toward God and fulfilling one's moral responsibility of meeting the needs of others. Service is at the heart of the mission of the Knights. Service is a necessary fruit of leadership.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Former Grand Knight Gerry Flood, whose leadership was one of great service challenging us brother knights to go that "step beyond." He built upon the work of his predecessors showing us the example of the 'signature mark' of unity and fraternity that Blessed Michael McGivney taught. Well done!

I now wish to congratulate our newly elected Grand Knight, Chuck Hollis, who by accepting this challenge, gives witness once again to the humble call of our Savior, Jesus to lead his brother knights in the spirit of unhesitating service. In that spirit of fraternity and unity, we offer Chuck and his new council our prayers, blessings, and firm support in this task of leadership and service.

Vivat Jesus!

F r. Dermot Roache, SMA, Chaplain

Council Officers 2023-2024

Chaplain:	Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA	201-567-0450
Grand Knight	Chuck Hollis	201-314-8599
Deputy GK:	Bob Knott	201-675-2802
Chancellor	Justin Miller	201-421-8916
Warden	William Flores	917-544-2322
Recorder	Jim Callahan	201-655-2634
Treasurer	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Advocate	Rich Oldfield	201-220-7127
Financial Sec	Ken Armellino, PGK	516-220-9333
Inside Guard	Frank Apablaza	201-362-0770
Outside Guard I	Anthony Marti	917-602-3797
Trustee 1 yr.	Steve Martin, DD, PGK II	201-669-8236
Trustee 2 yr.	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Trustee 3 yr.	Gerry Flood	914-343-5508
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent	Enrique Blanco	201-745-2723
District Deputy	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236

Council Chairmen 2023-2024

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Council Activities:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Council Reservation:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Family Activities:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Feeding Homeless:	John Scalice	201-338-2789
Murray Scholarship:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Membership:	John McHugh	201-647-7729
Newsletter Editor:	Mike Rowley	201-280-8727
Parish Roundtable:	Ken Armellino, PGK	516-220-9333
Program Director:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Publicity:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Respect for Life:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Retention:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Retreat:	Tony Tulli	732-608-0784
Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Sick & Wake:	Jim Callahan	201-655-2634
SMA Mission Rep:	Innocent Amaefule	973-449-2808
St. John Church Rep:	Bob Knott	201-675-2802
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Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers 2023-2024

President:	Steve Martin, DD, PGK	201-669-8236
Vice President:	Mike Rowley	201-280-8727
Secretary:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Treasurer:	Adrian Miller	201-803-0388
Trustee:	Bob Feigle	551-265-9747
Trustee:	Anthony Marti	917-602-3797
Trustee:	Paul Hecker	201-207-1051

Columbiette Officers 2023-2024

President:	Laura Labetti	201-788-5971
Vice-President:	Jill Moriarty	201-280-6667
Secretary:	Janet Maniscalco	201-417-0999
Financial Sec:	Genine Armellino	917-992-2011
Treasurer:	Michele Sciarriano	201-387-2916
Sentinel:	Maureen Italiano	201-916-1404
Immed Past Pres:	A. Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617

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Scoutmaster – Arthur Rosenberger	201-310-4541

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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	-DGK Brian O'Dowd
-Dan Taylor	-Larry Rivera, PGK
-Fred Schuld	-Emil Harris
-Michael Siano	-Lou Sciarriano
-John Cronin	-John McGill, PGK, PFN
-Matt Connell	-Jeff Martin
-Father Dermot Roache, Chaplain	-Mike Cremin
-John Graham	

Relatives & Friends

-Janet Trawinski, wife of Edward A. Trawinski, Jr.
-Fr. Pat Donohue, priest at St. Mary's Church
-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 Sciarriano
-Millie Healy, wife of Marty Healy, PGK
-Herb Meyer, FSD and wife Ann
-Barbara McEllen, Columbiette
-Nina DiCostanzo, Columbiette
-Maryjo Harris, wife of Emil Harris
-Marlene Stoever, wife of Jim Stoever, State Deputy
-Robert Carney, brother of Columbiette, Maureen Italiano

Wake

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

First, thanks to my brother Knights for showing your confidence in me by electing me Deputy Grand Knight. I will do my best to be of service to Chuck, our Officers, and the rest of the Council. Going forward, I'll be reporting to you in the newsletter. If you have questions, concerns or suggestions for me, I welcome them.

Be advised that the St. John's parish carnival is scheduled for Tuesday, August 15 through Saturday, August 19th. Once again, we plan to support the carnival by helping with the games. Hours should be 7-10PM nightly with a Saturday afternoon session (probably 12pm-5pm). As the time approaches, I will circulate a schedule for those who are able and willing to participate. Thanks in advance.

Bob Knott, DGK

Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

As this report is being written, we still await the delivery of our new air conditioning units. The installation of the units will be scheduled immediately after their receipt. We will also need additional work on the roof after the units are installed. We have also had to deal with major plumbing and electrical issues in the last month. As you can see, the upkeep, maintenance and repair of our Council home comes with extraordinary cost. To address these costs, we have entered into a rental contract with Weight Watchers, who will be renting our hall at predetermined times on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. This contract will assist us in meeting our costs of upkeep of the hall.

I would also like to thank the Columbiettes for their generous donation of \$1000 to the TBCC which will assist us in our endeavors.

This Council has a dedicated group of volunteers who serve as officers who put in a lot of hours to keep this hall operational. We also have a great group of brothers who we rely on to assist us at our rentals, the lifeline of our Hall - Ken Armellino, Jeff Meeks, John McHughe, Juan Melendez, Neil Best, George Prevete, Brian Sullivan, Jim Boyhen, Pat Booth, Jim Brooks, Jim Hurley, Mike Reidy, Frank Gallacher, Joe DeNoia, Jim Kelly, Frank Fundaro, Rich Merkovsky, Jason Reeves, Rich Oldfield and Innocent. Please thank our officers and volunteers when you see them. I do that every day.

Steve Martin, TBCC President, DD, PGK

Respect for Life Report

I am recommending another book entitled "What to Say When: The Complete New Guide to Discussing Abortion" by Shawn Carney & Steve Karlen. It gives key points on how to change minds and convert hearts in a brave new world.

When we read this, know that the epic battle for LIFE will ultimately be won on our knees in prayer as the most powerful resource in this struggle.

Matt Connell, Chairman

Officers for 2023-24 Columbian Year

Congratulations to the following slate of Officers for the 2023-2024 Columbian year, elected at the June 19th, 2023 Council meeting.

St. John's Council #1345 Officers:

Grand Knight	Chuck Hollis, FDD, PGK
Deputy Grand Knight	Bob Knott
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Warden	William Flores
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Columbiette Report

*"Indian Lake is a scene you should make with your little one
Just keep it in mind if you're lookin' to find
A place in the summer sun"
(The Cowsills, 1968)*

As this is the month for the stars and stripes, have you ever noticed the three stars that are on our Columbiette logo...and do you know what they represent? These three stars represent the mediums of Faith, Hope and Charity. As we are a charitable organization, St John's Council Columbiettes are proud to name the following charities we have contributed to this year. They are:

McKenzie Cadmus \$ 500.00
St. Mary's Church \$500.00
St. John's Church \$500.00
SMA Father's \$500.00
Marble Jam \$500.00
Lighthouse \$250.00
TACA (NJ) \$250.00
Knights of Columbus \$1,000.00
Columbian Club \$1,000.00
For a total of = \$5,000.00

Many thanks to all of our Sister Columbiettes who helped with the various fund raisers we had during the year to make all of these donations possible!

Wishing everyone a very Happy 4th of July!

Peace, Roberta Elwell, Past President

Dates to Remember

(Events are at the Council unless noted otherwise)

Fri, July 7th Recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary's Church – **6:05 PM**; Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration at St. John's - **8:30 PM**

Mon, July 10th Officers Meeting – **7:30 PM**

Fri, July 14th Ice Cream Social – **7:00 PM**

Mon, July 17th Council Meeting – **8:00 PM**

Wed, July 19th Columbiettes Meeting – **7:30 PM**

Sat, July 22nd Installation Mass at St. John's Church, Bergenfield - **3:00 PM**

Installation Dinner at the Council – **5:00 PM**

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6PM.

Eucharistic Adoration

Brother 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, July 17th

Our next Council meeting will be held on Monday, June 17th at 8PM. 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.

Past Grand Knights to be Honored

We will celebrate the 115th anniversary of the founding of St. John's Council, recognize our Past Grand Knights and honor Grand Knight Gerry Flood for his years leading our Council. Details and a time and date will follow but it will likely take place in September.

Shake the Can Drive a Success!

One of my greatest pleasures of being a member of the KofC is being able to coordinate Council 1345's Shake the Can Drive. Because of the uncertainty of the post-Covid era, we sought donations from our membership. Then, thanks to the efforts of Brother Don Morrell, we were given the OK from the Borough of Dumont to solicit donations at Madison and Washington and at Stop & Shop. We collected \$1,111 at Stop and Shop over the weekend of April 28-29. We also collected almost \$4,000 at Madison and Washington on June 3-4. We collected \$8,300 in total during this drive for disabled youth and adults in our area. The specific donations will be listed in a future Knight Times. As I tell anyone who wants to listen, every penny, nickel, dime, quarter and bill goes to help these organizations. Again, well done Council 1345!

Steven Martin, Chairman

Ice Cream Social – Friday, July 14th

Back by popular demand, the Ice Cream Social will be held on Friday, July 14 and include a musical performance by Dave Lang and Margie. Come celebrate National Ice Cream Month and enjoy your favorite ice cream with your choice of toppings while listening to the great sounds of Dave and Margie. Invite the entire family. It will be a fun night of delicious treats and great entertainment. A donation jar will be available to offset the cost

of the ice cream and for the Council to continue our good works. Doors open 7 PM, ice cream served at 7:30 PM and Dave and Margie perform at 8 PM. Cash bar available. Come join us for a fun night!

Save the Date: 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 6PM, tournament starts at 7PM. 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.



St. John's Council Scholarship Winners

Shaelyn Auer, daughter of John Auer; Isabella Lachina, granddaughter of Bill Bochicchio; Rosa Nichols, granddaughter of Juan Melendez; Kyra O'Connor; grandson of Michael Cremin; and Kayleigh Turner, daughter Bill Turner. Congratulations to all! Pictured with Dr. Geoff Sadock and Grand Knight Gerry Flood.



Passing the gavel to the new Grand Knight!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
St. John's Council #1345
61 Armour Pl., Dumont, NJ 07628



Presents

An Ice Cream Social & Book Signing
Friday July 14th
Doors Open 7PM

Please bring the whole family and enjoy great music and complimentary Ice Cream Sundaes as a thank you for the support the Knights of Columbus receives from the Bergenfield and Dumont Communities.

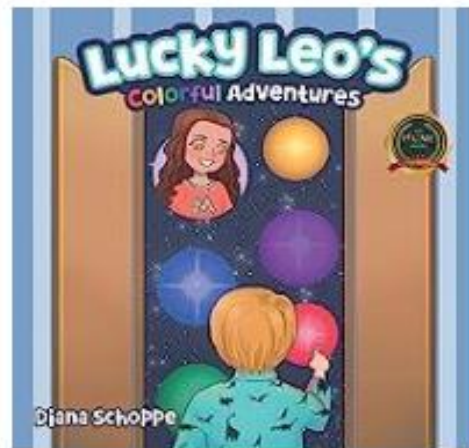


- **Cash Bar Available**
- **50/50 Raffle**

Come Meet Diana Schoppe
Dumont Resident and
Author of

**"Lucky Leo's Colorful
Adventures"**

Signed copies available for
purchase



Questions? Call Anthony Marti at 917-602-3797



Knights of Columbus

ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL No. 1345
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INVITE YOU TO A LITURGY CELEBRATING

The Installation of Grand Knight Chuck Hollis, FDD and Council Officers

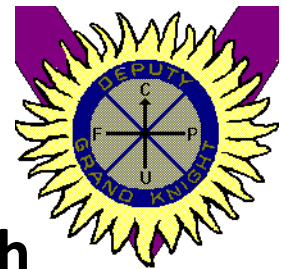
On

Saturday July 22, 2023

3:00 pm

St. John the Evangelist Church

29 North Washington Ave. Bergenfield, NJ 07621



Reception to Follow at 5:00PM at St. John's Council

61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628

LIVE musical entertainment will be provided by Mike and Noreen and the meal will be catered by **Italian Connection** of Dumont. The hot buffet menu (subject to change) will include tossed salad, Italian bread, beef burgundy, chicken parmigiana, penne with vodka sauce, rice pilaf and sausage and peppers. Dessert, coffee and tea will follow the meal. Beer, wine and soda are included. Cash bar for all other drinks is available.

All this for only \$40 per person!

→→→→ **RSVP REQUIRED BY JULY 16th** ←←←←

Call or text Ken A. at 1-516-220-9333

or

Email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com