



The Knight Times

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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Scouts & Friends,

Spring is here! The days are longer and we Catholics await the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday April 21, 2019. The Council Officers and the Officers of the Twin Boro Columbian Club wish everyone an early Happy Easter.

Enclosed with this monthly newsletter is a letter from Cardinal Joseph Tobin, Archbishop of Newark to the members of the Archdiocese in which he extols the virtues of the Knights of Columbus and in which he honors our State Deputy Bob Hatler and his wife Maryanne. That letter is also an invitation to all Catholic men and women to join the Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes.

Also enclosed with this newsletter is a copy of an article which appeared on the front page of the Catholic Advocate and speaks to our Order's dedication to service. Please take time to read the letter and the article and think how you can use them to recruit a new member to our Council. I also urge all members to take time to reflect on the letter and article and allow the messages of service to move you towards service right here at St. John's Council 1345.

I would like everyone to think about joining us for one (or more) of the amazing events we have scheduled for the rest of the Columbian Year.

- Collection Drive for Intellectually and Physically Disabled Persons from April 4-7. Please answer our call for 2 hours of your time to collect money for those who depend on us every year.
- April 7, 2019- Children's Easter Party from 2-5 pm
- April 26, 2019- Columbiettes Tricky Tray
- May 4, 2019- Special Children's Dance featuring Vocalists Julian and Dominique
- May 11, 2019 - Council Wine Tasting to benefit the Council Scholarship Fund 7-10pm
- June 22, 2019- Council Anniversary Dinner Dance from 7-11pm.

We do great things here.

Vivat Jesus,

Steve Martin, Grand Knight

Council Officers 2018-2019

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:	(open)	
Grand Knight	Steve Martin, PGK	201-669-8236
Deputy GK:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Chancellor	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Warden	Kevin Sheridan	201-844-3180
Recorder	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Treasurer	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Advocate	Rich Oldfield	201-214-9375
Financial Sec	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Inside Guard	(open)	
Outside Guard I	Jim Callahan	201-655-2634
Trustee 1 yr.	Larry Rivera, PGK	201-315-0456
Trustee 2 yr.	Frank Gallacher, PGK	201-957-2683
Trustee 3 yr	Al Taxter	201-519-7436
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent	Carl Schmidhauser	201-286-2928

Council Chairmen 2018-2019

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Council Activities:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Council Reservation:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Family Activities:	Steve Martin, PGK	201-669-8236
Feeding Homeless:	George Corbo	201-450-1205
Mail Committee:	Frank Uvenio	201-387-0990
Membership:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Newsletter Editor:	G. Di Costanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Parish Roundtable:	Steve Martin, PGK	201-669-8236
Program Director:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Publicity:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Respect for Life:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Retention:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Retreat:	Tony Tulli	732-608-0784
Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Sick & Wake:	Bob DeWald	201-384-2259
SMA Mission Rep	Innocent Amaefule	973-449-2808
St. John Church Rep	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
St. Mary Church Rep	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers 2018-2019

Bar Chairman:	Frank Gallacher, PGK	201-957-2683
Bldg & Grounds:	John Graham	201-387-0419
Caretaker Chmn:	Al Taxter	201-519-7436
Dishwasher Chmn:	Tony O'Hare	201-321-7155
Headwaiter Chmn	(open)	
Kitchen Chmn:	(open)	
President:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Purchasing Chmn:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Rentals Agent:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Secretary:	(open)	
Servers/Waiters:	Michele Orsino	201-280-7892
Setup Chairman:	George Prevete	201-870-2927
Treasurer:	Mike Cremin	201-956-2782
Vice President:	John Orsino	201-280-7759

Columbiette's Officer's 2018-2019

President:	Laura Labetti	201-788-5971
Vice-President:	Marge Kenter	201-647-9805
Secretary:	Janet Maniscalco	201-417-0999
Financial Sec:	Lillian Holmes	201-342-5142
Treasurer:	Michele Sciarrino	201-387-2916
Sentinel:	Maureen Italiano	201-916-1404
Imm Past President:	A. Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617

BOY SCOUTS – Troop #1345 / Crew #1345 – 2018-2019

Scoutmaster –	Rich Merkovski	201-494-9912
Asst. Scoutmaster –	Ray Ziemba	201-410-0897
Asst. Scoutmaster –	Billy Cook	201-566-5036
Crew Advisor –	Ray Ziemba	201-410-0897
Assoc Crew Advisor –	Tim Bright	201-803-5602

Knight Times Newsletter

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Sick & Wake Report – as of Mar. 20, 2019

Bold Italic indicates new name or a change in condition.

To add a name, call **Bob DeWald at 201-384-2259.**

Members

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| -Bob Dondero, PGK | - | -John McGill |
| -Steven Petraglia | | -Dave Benson, PGK |
| -William Borrows | | -Nick Albano |
| -Dick Dorozynski | | -Scott Manno, PGK |
| -Jim Mc Entee | | -Larry Rivera, PGK |
| -Brendan Thornton | | -Matt Connell |
| -Bill Horn | | -Bob Feigle |
| -Bill Connington, PGK | | -John A. Mc Hugh |
| -Jack Marsigliano | | -James Verdino |
| -Antonio Fundaro | | -Al Taxter |
| -Dan Taylor | | -Jim Whelan |

Relatives & Friends

- Charlie Miraglia & wife Cindy K of C General Agent
- Fr. Ray Filipski, priest at St. John's Church
- Jonathan Jacobi, Jr., grandson of the late PGK F. Messina;
- Kristi, granddaughter of Frank Uvenio;
- Lauren Hurley, niece of James Hurley;
- Linda Ilowite, daughter of Tony Tulli
- Lorraine Marsigliano, wife of Jack Marsigliano
- Marge English, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Maria Melendez, wife of Juan Melendez.
- Marie, mother of FM Russ Petrocelli.**
- Mary Rudolph, wife of the late Art Rudolph, PP, TBCC
- Mary Vostinar, mother of Kevin Vostinar;
- Nancy Myers, friend of the council**
- Peter Dondero, son of PGK Bob Dondero;
- Rose O'Shea, friend from St. Mary's Church;
- Sr. Ann Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Sr. Marie Andre Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Stephanie, niece of Jim Brooks;
- Teagan Davis, granddaughter of Columbiette Pat Barclay.
- Therese De Falco Holmes, daughter of Eli De Falco
- William Borrows, Jr, son of William Borrows

Wakes

Members: none

Relatives & Friends: none

Hall For Rent

Planning a party or wedding? Call Tom Formoso 201-707-9890 or email TBCC1345rentals@gmail.com, or check our website: www.kofc1345.org. **The hall is for rent with or without food catering.**

Reservations Procedure

Reservations for all of our events are preferred.
 -Email: kofc1345reservations@gmail.com. OR,
 -Call or Text to: Kenneth Armellino at **1-516-220-9333**.

K of C Organ Donor Program

Brothers, with your family and friends, become an organ donor because the life that gets saved just might sit across from you at dinner tonight. **Sign up at: www.registerme.org/knights**
 Greg Ryan, Chairman, 201-919-2535

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our members celebrating a birthday or special occasion in April. Happy birthday to Tony Tulli April 3.

Chancellor-Membership Report

The membership retention committee is doing a good job keeping our council above the 500 mark. We held our first Admission (1st) degree at our council and 8 men received their degree- including 2 Seminarians.



From left: GK Steve Martin, Louis Magnifico, Donald Wuertz, Joseph Verga, James McCarthy, Jr, Matthew Michelsen, John March & Moris Montoya (seminarians), Gordon Beattie, Chuck Hollis, DD.

The Third degree was held at our Council on Friday March 22nd. We as members still must continue to ask all Catholic gentlemen to join our ranks as members of the Knights of Columbus.

Matt Connell, Membership

Financial Secretary Report

The Retention Committee completed its calls to those members still delinquent in paying their dues for 2019. The Knight Alert letter from the Grand Knight was mailed in late March to remaining delinquent members. Please pay your dues now and avoid suspension.

George Di Costanzo, FS, PGK

Respect Life Report

Gentlemen, a suggestion on the internet enter: Lifeline.net, a very good pro-life news organization and free.

The Governor of California has just done away with the Death penalty for 700 plus convicted murderers. OK.....

However he promotes ABORTION to the last trimester of pregnancy which KILLS INNOCENT humans. I just don't get it. Convicts are ok but babies are not. Repeal Roe V Wade.

Matt Connell, Chairman

Friday Night Socials

Our Friday Night Socials have dropped off with the Jan-Feb-March winter weather. But now we enter April, who knows what the weather will be, but, we'll be there regardless.

We offer a complimentary snack each week. And as we are in the season of Lent, our snacks will be meatless. We also offer bar specials for the men & ladies.

George Di Costanzo, FS, PGK

Faith in Action

As Knights, we are called to more than just membership in an organization, we are challenged to grow in our faith, and challenged to put our faith into action - whether it's helping to feed the poor, helping veterans get to mass at the veteran's home or assist the Council as it raises money for our charities.

On the first Friday of each month, St. Mary's Church has Eucharistic adoration following the 8:45AM Mass until 7PM.

Adoration is a great time to just be with the Lord in a quiet setting. As Knights, our devotion to Mary, the mother of Jesus and the Queen of the Knights, is unending.

Our first time in March was a success, and we will lead the rosary again during adoration starting at 6PM on Friday April 5th. It's a perfect time to be with the Lord and his Blessed Mother. Please join us in the lower church of St. Mary's, every first Friday at 6PM and put your faith into action. And don't forget to bring your rosary.

Brian O'Dowd, Chairman

Special Children's Fundraising Dance

Please join us on Saturday May 4th from 7PM-11PM for our Special Children's Dance. This event caps the efforts of our annual Special Needs fundraising campaign, and is an opportunity for us to all gather together as we help those in need.

This year we will have the popular vocal duo Julian and Dominique entertain us with their Show of 1000 Voices, which includes popular songs from the past and present, music and dancing. In the spirit of preparing for Cinco de Mayo, we will have a family style sit down dinner consisting of assorted appetizers, salad, chicken and rice, and dessert. As always, tap beer, wine, and soda are included for the \$40 per person entry fee. RSVP required by email to KofC1345reservations@gmail.com, or text/call Ken A. at 1-516-220-9333.

Ken Armellino, DGK, Chairman

Collection Drive for Intellectually & Physically Disabled Persons

We will be "Shaking the Can" in Dumont and Bergenfield for these four days, Apr 4 thru Apr 7. All proceeds from this drive directly benefit our handicapped citizens and developmentally disabled citizens of Dumont, Bergenfield, and Bergen County. This Drive is, simply, an extraordinary opportunity for St. John's Council to be seen and appreciated by our local communities.

Please answer a call or e-mail, or text that you will receive seeking your help for only two hours over this weekend. There is no better feeling than hearing from people when you are collecting money - "Hey! You guys are all over!" "You guys got me yesterday!" and "Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for undertaking this Drive to help people who depend upon us for support".

Steve Martin, Grand Knight

Seminarian Support

Remember our seminarian Moris Montoya in your prayers. *Moris, and seminarian John March, took their Admission (1st) Degree as members of our council. Congratulations.*

Contact info for Moris: Immaculate Conception Seminary, Att: Moris Montoya, 400 So. Orange Ave, So. Orange, NJ 07079. Send him a note. Let him know you're happy he & his friend joined our Council.

G. DiCostanzo, FS, PGK

Wine Tasting

Our next Wine Tasting to benefit the St. John's Council #1345 Scholarship Fund, will be held on **Saturday, May 11, 2019, from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM** at the Council Hall. See the enclosed flyer for all the details. Please RSVP.

Rich Oldfield, Advocate, Chairman

Dates to Remember

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6pm.

- Sat, Mar. 30 Irish Night 7pm.
- Sun, Mar. 31 Corp Communion (where TBD).
- Apr 4-7 Collection Drive for Disabled Persons
- Fri, Apr 5 Scouts Pasta Dinner 5pm.
- Sat, Apr. 6 Rental - Melendez shower 1pm.
- Sun, Apr. 7 Children's Easter Egg Hunt, 2pm.
- Mon, Apr. 8 AARP mtg. 10am
Officer mtg, 8pm
- Tues, Apr. 9 Formation (2nd) degree,
- Wed, Apr. 10 TBCC mtg. 8pm.
- Thurs, Apr. 11 Setup - Rental 7pm.
Darts Tournament 8pm.
- Sat, Apr. 13 Rental - Wedding 6pm.
- Sun, Apr. 14 Palm Sunday
- Mon, Apr. 15 Tax Day
Council mtg. 8pm.
- Wed, Apr. 17 Columbiette mtg. 7:30pm.
- Fri, Apr. 19 Good Friday - Council Closed
- Sun, Apr. 21 Easter Sunday
- Wed, Apr. 24 Bergen Fed mtg. Ridgefield
- Thurs, Apr. 25 Setup - Tricky Tray 7pm.
- Fri, Apr. 26 Columbiette Tricky Tray 7pm.
Council Closed.
- Sat, Apr. 27 Rental 8pm.
- Sat, May 4 Spec Children's Dance 7pm.

Columbiettes Report

*"The sun beaming down between the leaves
(Grazin in grass is a gas, baby, can you dig it)
And the birds darting in and out of the trees
Everything here is so clear, you can see it
And Everything here is so real, you can feel it; so real, so real.
(The Friends of Distinction, 1969)*

It's almost time for our April Spring Time Tricky Tray! It will be on Friday, April 26 at the council hall from 7:00pm to 11:00pm. The doors will open at 6:30. The cost is \$25.00 and the price includes; finger sandwiches, dessert, beverage and 10 basket tickets. You can also bring your own snacks, appetizers for your table and a cash bar will be available. Reservations are a must as NO Tickets will be sold at the door! For reservations call either Nina DiCostanzo at 201-338-2617 (Ninad70@aol.com) or Laura Labetti at labetti250@optonline.net.

FYI: High tier prizes include, Vera Bradley, Michael Kors and Dooney and Bourke Designer Bags, a 43 inch TV, Shark Navigator Vacuum and, much, much more!

At the March meeting, we welcomed Nellie McHale and Kim Pesce to our Auxiliary. Congratulations to both new members.



A reminder for all Columbiettes: Our next meeting on April 17 we will have nominations for our Officers for the coming

year, 2019-2020. Please try to attend this very important meeting.

Wishing everyone a very Happy and Blessed Easter.
Roberta Elwell, Past Pres.

Troop 1345 Report

Troop 1345 is proud to announce that Andrew Warta has passed his Eagle Scout Board of Review, becoming the twenty-sixth Eagle Scout in Troop 1345 over the past 11 years. Andrew's leadership project was to collect sundry items and snacks to send to our military troops deployed overseas. Overall Andrew will be sending some 300+ boxes of items overseas (the target was to collect and send about 30).

Ray Ziemba, Crew 1345 Advisor

Photo Gallery

photo's from Fr. Murray Memorial Scholarship Dinner



From left: Peter Briody, State Dir of Squires; GK Steve Martin, FDD Bill Bochicchio, and State Deputy Bob Hatler.



From left: Peter Briody, Michael Murray, Bill Bochicchio, & Rev. Michael Moran, SMA Provincial.

Bergen County Irish Associations Parade, Mar. 10, 2019



Top photo DGK K. Armellino, GK S. Martin, R. Oldfield, M. Rowley. Bottom photo: 4th Degree PFN's J. Meng, F. Gallacher; I.Amaefule.