



The Knight Times

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AUGUST, 2018

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights, Sister Columbiette's, Scouts and Friends,

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer.

I was recently informed by my financial team that St. John's Council made contributions of over \$43,000 to charitable causes during the 2017-2018 Columbian Year. Disabled citizens, intellectually disabled adults and children, individual requests for assistance, students attending college and high school, the Social Services Departments of Bergenfield and Dumont, the food pantries of St. John's Church and St. Mary's Church were recipients to our Council's efforts. We also made separate donations to St. John's Church, St. Mary's Church, and the SMA Mission. Just an incredible year of charity by our Council. Thanks to everyone for helping us fulfill the first principle of our Order- Charity.

I write again seeking everyone's help in all our endeavors. We are always seeking new members- speak to a friend, colleague or family member about the Knights of Columbus, our Council and all the great things we do for our Churches and community. Ask them to join us. We are always looking for new help to assist us at our rentals. By assisting at these events, you help us maintain our beautiful Council home and help us make donations to charity.

There are many events we host throughout the year that I'm sure you would enjoy. Please consider joining us on Italian Night (September 22nd, 2018), our Wine Tasting Event (October 6th, 2018) our Council's Halloween Party (October 27th, 2018), our Children's Halloween Party (October 28th, 2018), our Council Christmas Party (December 8th, 2018), our Children's Christmas Party (December 9th, 2018), and our New Years Eve Party (December 31st, 2018).

Consider Joining us for our Friday Night Socials, Wives and Friends are always welcome. I hope to see you at the Council.

Vivat Jesus,
Steve Martin, Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

On Saturday, July 21st, St. John's Council celebrated the installation of our new officers for the coming Columbian year. As we welcome our new officers, we must thank those who have faithfully served in the past; all those who have helped to make St. John's Council what it is today.

As we look forward to the coming year, we must pledge our full support to Steven Martin, our Grand Knight and to the incoming officers. We must look to them for leadership and be committed to working cooperatively for the good of the Council. Most of all, we must pray that God will continue to guide and protect St. John's Council.

As we look forward to the coming year, we are challenged to look back at the past year to see how well, we as individuals and as a Council, have exemplified the guiding principles of the Knights of Columbus. The principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism must always guide what we say and do.

As we build on the accomplishments of the past, we must always remember that nothing is possible without the grace of our heavenly Father and that all we do is for the greater glory of God.

Fr. Stephen Carey, Chaplain

Council Officers 2018-2019

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:	Rev. Stephen Carey	201-384-0557
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 Secy:	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Inside Guard	Grif Auld	201-785-7756
Outside Guard I	Jim Callahan	201-655-2634
Outside Guard II	(open)	
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	John McAvinue	973-563-0120

Council Chairmen 2018-2019

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Council Activities:		
Council Reservation:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Family Activities:	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Feeding Homeless:	George Corbo	201-450-1205
Fr. Murray Scholar	Bill Bochicchio, FDD,PGK	201-385-9015
Mail Committee:	Frank Uvenio	201-385-0990
Membership:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Newsletter Editor:	Louis Labetti	551-255-6803
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Program Director:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Publicity:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
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	Louis Labetti	551-255-6803
Kitchen Chmn:	Louis Labetti	551-255-6803
President:	Tom Formoso	201-540-7950
Purchasing Chmn:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Rentals Agent:	Tom Formoso	201-540-7950
Secretary:	Griffin Auld	201-785-7756
Servers/Waiters:	Michele Orsino	201-280-7892
Setup Chairman:	George Prevette	201-870-2927
Treasurer:	Mike Cremin	201-956-2782
Vice President:	John Orsino	201-244-5875

Columbette'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 Secy:	Lillian Holmes	201-342-5142
Treasurer:	Michele Sciarino	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 Merkovsky	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

Knights Times Newsletter

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Sick & Wake Report – as of July 20, 2018

Bold Italic indicates new name or a change in condition.
To add a name, call **Bob DeWald at 201-384-2259.**

Members

-Bob Dondero, PGK	-John P. McHugh
-Steven Petraglia	-Dave Benson, PGK
-William Borrows	-Nick Albano
-Dick Dorozynski	-Scott Manno, PGK
-Jim Mc Entee	-Larry Rivera, PGK
-Brendan Thornton	-John Maguire
-Bill Horn	-Rich Donadio
-Bill Connington, PGK	-Ed Covino
-James Keane	-Jim Kelly, Sr.
-Jack Marsigliano	-Juan Melendez
-John McGill	

Relatives & Friends

-Constance Grindley, sister of Matt Connell
-Fr. Pat Donohue, priest at St. Mary's
-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
-Loretta Sparacio, friend from Dumont Senior Center
-Lorraine Marsigliano, wife of Jack Marsigliano
-Marge English, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
-Maria Melendez, wife of Juan Melendez.
-Marie, mother of Russell Petrocelli, MFD
-Mary Cremin, wife of Mike Cremin
-Michael Connor, Police Chief of Dumont
-Natalia Martinez, granddaughter of Bill Flores
-Nunzia Migliaccio, cousin of PGK Geo. Di Costanzo;
-Olivia Arrigoitia, daughter of Felicia Arrigoitia
-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:

- **John Guerriero;**

Relatives & Friends:

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.**

Hall For Rent

Planning a party or wedding? Call Tom Formoso 201-540-7950 or email TBCC1345rentals@gmail.com, or check our website: www.kofc1345.org. **The hall is for rent with or without food catering.**

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our Brother Knights and their family members who may be celebrating a birthday in AUGUST.

Congratulations to Michael Rowley, who received the Council Knight of the Year award.

Chancellor-Membership Report

Congratulations to James McCarthy and Robert Feigle, who took their Formation 2nd Degree in July.

Matt Connell, Chancellor

Financial Secretary Report

Congratulations to our 207 Honorary Life members for their continuous years of membership and service to our Council and the K of C. God bless them all.

George Di Costanzo, FS, PGK

Friday Night Socials & More

We had a very successful year with our Friday Night Socials. This year we are expanding the program to include special events (as follows), and also the games we have for entertainment. Wives and friends are welcome to come with you. So, for August, this is our line-up of Friday nights.

- 8/3 Friday Trivia and Game Night
- 8/10 Friday Family Movie Night
- 8/17 Friday Trivia and Game Night
- 8/24 Friday Karaoke Night with DJ Lady J
- 8/31 Friday Night Social

Tom Formoso, TBCC President

Nominating Committee-Final Report

Results of the election for positions that changed were:

- Steve Martin, Grand Knight
- Ken Armellino, Deputy Grand Knight
- Matt Connell, Chancellor - Membership
- Kevin Sheridan, Warden
- Grif Auld, Inside Guard
- Jim Callahan, Outside Guard
- Al Taxter, 3 year Trustee

Tom Formoso, Chairman

San Alfonso Retreat

A great weekend retreat with members of our Council. An opportunity to recharge your spiritual inner self and relax by the sea. A big Thank You to Tony Tulli for chairing each year.



Photo Left: back row: Al Taxter, Warren Kaine, Ken Florio, Barry Bernard, PGK, Bill Flores. Front row: John McGill, John Scalice, George DiCostanzo, PGK, Tony Tulli. Not in photo is Bob Armbruster.

Photo Right: chapel at San Alfonso Retreat House.

Tony Tulli, Retreat Captain

Poker Tournament

The Twin Boro Columbian Club is hosting a Texas Hold'Em Poker Tournament on Saturday August 4, 2018. Check-in and

SUMMER THEMED buffet is at 6pm, first shuffle at 7pm. The \$100 buy-in (CASH ONLY) includes buffet throughout the evening, tap beer, wine, and soda, and tournament entry.

To make a reservation call or text Ken A. at 516-220-9333 or email:at kofc1345reservations@gmail.com.

Ken Armellino, Chairman

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

Respect Life Report

I am Pro-LIFE, The Knights of Columbus is a Pro-Life organization. The 4 pillars of the K of C are Faith, Family, Life and Community. Faith is the Catholic faith, family naturally all our family and the human family, LIFE something God created (from conception to natural death), Community encompasses all the previous pillars.

I firmly believe that without LIFE there is absolutely nothing. Life is guaranteed in our Constitution as the "Bill of Rights" i.e. Life , Liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

It is a shame that Life is no longer respected by many to such a degree that over 60 million lives have been destroyed since 1973 thru abortion. I have a bumper sticker which states Abortion the biggest Child Abuse. Pray for the unborn

Matt Connell, DGK, Chairman

Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

Good News & Happy News

This is my final report - a brief year-end synopsis of what we accomplished last year.

-Improved the look of the facility from the front entrance on through the lobby, lounge, and dining room with paint, wall and ceiling decorations.

-Repaired or replaced much of our aging equipment, including electrical upgrades to prevent problems.

-Managed a large number of rentals, plus council events, thanks to our volunteers.

-Donated \$4100 in food gift cards from the rentals income to the four food pantries in Bergenfield-Dumont.

Finally, I extend my best wishes and support to President Tom Formoso and his team for another successful year.

George DiCostanzo, TBCC Past Pres.

Upcoming Events - Mark your Calendar

-Dumont Day, Saturday Sept. 8. We need HELP in three (4) major areas. Call Grif Auld 201-785-7756 to sign up.

--1. Pack supplies at Council and set-up at Memorial Park. 8 to 10 men needed at about 8am in the morning.

--2. Grille cooks, Servers, & Order takers throughout the day in 2-hour shifts to handle the food orders.

--3. Breakdown and pack up supplies to return to Council. 8-10 men at 5pm.

--4. Need a truck at 8am and at 5pm for transport of supplies.

-Italian Night, Saturday Sept. 22. Get your reservations in early to Ken at 516-220-9333. Music by Panorama Music - Shari & Rino, and a fabulous dinner that Ken will put together.

Dates to Remember

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6pm.

Fri Aug 3	Friday Social Trivia & Games 7-11pm
Sat Aug 4	Poker Tournament 6pm
Wed, Aug 8	TBCC meeting 8pm
Thurs Aug 9	Setup Rental 7pm
Fri, Aug 10	Friday Social Family Movie Night 7-11pm
Sat, Aug.11	Rental - Sheridan birthday 5pm
Sun, Aug 12	Rental - Eagle Scout ceremony 2pm
Mon, Aug 13	Council Officer meeting 8pm
Thurs, Aug16	Setup Rental 7pm
Fri, Aug 17	Friday Social Trivia & Games7-11pm
Sat, Aug 18	Rental - Smith 6pm
Mon, Aug 20	Rental - Life Line Screening 8am-5pm Council meeting 8pm.
Fri, Aug 24	Friday Social Karaoke Night 7-11pm
Fri, Aug 31	Friday Social 7-11pm
Mon, Sept 3	Labor Day holiday - FLY YOUR FLAG

Columbiettes Report

*"We're gonna mashed potato to a jukebox tune
Park your car 'neath an August moon
We're on vacation till the start of fall...
VACATION, we're gonna have a ball!"
(Connie Francis, 1962)*

The Columbiettes of New Jersey held their State Convention last month at the Embassy Suites in Piscataway, NJ. Central Chapter, which St John's Council 1345 is part of, were the hosts this year.

Chairpersons of this convention were Laura Labetti and Nina DiCostanzo. Their committee consisted of: Mattea Truppe, Roberta Elwell, Joan Winant, Barbara Ann Lissi, Naty Caballero, Susan Liguori, Michele Sciarrino, Marge Kenter, Cathy Nicholson, Janet Maniscalco, Sharon Fester, Debbie Sirvidio, and Kathy Mortimer.

It was reported that the state of New Jersey has 2239 members. The backpack ministry received 748 backpacks, 1186 bags of toiletries and 1338 assorted toiletries were collected for the homeless. Our seminarians for the state (including our Columbiette seminarian Mark Mackowski) each received a check and TONS and TONS of tab tops (over a million!) were collected in giant leaf bags.

The meeting and sessions were represented by our delegates, Lillian Holmes and Nina DiCostanzo.

We are proud to list the following awards which were presented to us at the convention. They are:
The Activities Award, 100% Plus participation in the NJ State Council Charity Raffle, 100% Participation in the NJ State Council Support Fund and Membership Retention.

As the summer winds down, (hard to believe!) please mark your calendars for Dumont Day, (this year it will be on Saturday, September 8) and our first Columbiette meeting of the new year 2018-2019 will be on Wednesday, September 19, 2018. Meeting begins promptly at 7:30.

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

Roberta Elwell, PP, Publicity

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

Troop 1345 is having a busy summer. During the month of July, the Troop hosted its 4th annual car show, went on a road trip to Florida, went on a canoe trek at Floodwood, and attended summer camp in upstate New York.

During August, the Troop will begin planning its fall program, which will include its 11th annual trip to Camp Bullowa with younger scouts from throughout the community.

Ray Ziembra, Crew 1345 Advisor

Photo Gallery

From our 110th Anniversary Party

The Council celebrated its 110th birthday, and also honored all Past Grand Knights, especially PGK Frank Gallacher, the immediate Past Grand Knight.



From left to right: PGK's John McGill, Barry Bernard, Columbiettes Roberta Elwell Past President, Laura Labetti President, Nina DiCostanzo Immediate Past President, PGK Frank Gallacher honoree of the night for his year as Grand Knight. In front: PGK's George DiCostanzo, Larry Rivera.



Left photo: Party chairman Brian O'Dowd, State Deputy Bob Hatler, honoree PGK Frank Gallacher, and Russ Petrocelli, Master of 1st NJ District 4th Degree & State Membership chairman.

Right photo: Deputy Grand Knight Matt Connell, presenting honoree PGK Frank Gallacher with his PGK jewels.

Prayer for Vocations

"Heavenly Father, your Divine Son taught us to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His vineyard.

We earnestly beg you to bless our Archdiocese and our world with many priest and religious who will love you fervently and gladly and courageously spend their lives in service to your Son's Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Bless our families and our children and choose from our homes those whom You desire for this holy work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen".