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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

Dear Friends,

During the month of February we usher in the great season of Lent on February 13 as we observe Ash Wednesday. Lent is a 40 day period of Fast, Prayer and Self-Denial as well as a time for us to be more penitential concerning our spiritual lives. All of this is to help us meditate more on the redemptive act of Our Lord's suffering and death on the cross for us and His triumph over death through His Resurrection. May we enter into this season of Lent with these ideas on our minds and hearts giving ourselves over to more prayer as we become reflective of how we are leading lives of Christian love and service. These beautiful words from St. Basil of Caesarea can help set the tone for us during this Lenten Season:

"Steer the ship of my life, good Lord, to your quiet harbour, where I can be safe from the storms of sin and conflict. Show me the course I should take. Renew in me the gift of discernment, so that I can always see the right direction in which I should go. And give me the strength and the courage to choose the right course, even when the sea is rough and the waves are high, knowing that through enduring hardship and danger we shall find comfort and peace."

May God be Praised. *Fr. Dominic* Fr. Dominic Ciriaco, Chaplain

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

Dear Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Squires & Scouts,

Well the world didn't end in 2012, so now I'm looking forward to St. John's Council having a very happy and successful year in 2013. Many of you came out to our New Year's Eve Party and like me had a great time! Everybody there raved about the live band, "In Harmony" we had there again. We are planning on having them performing at a Council Event in the very near future. We will keep you posted.

We had our second Bob Dondero Fundraiser, a pancake breakfast on Sunday morning, Jan. 13th. This second fundraiser and was successful as well. I want to thank all the volunteers and all of Bob's friends who came to the breakfast. Once again we demonstrated what Charity, Unity, and Fraternity is all about. My thanks to Chairmen Bill Bochicchio, FN, FDD, PGK and Phil Fredericks, PGK for a great job well done.

We are asking all our dues paying members if they can to make a voluntary charitable donation to St. John's Council Scholarship fund. If this campaign is successful we can give out more scholarships and maybe more money to our membership's young students. Please give if you can. My thanks to George DiCostanzo and the Scholarship Committee for this brilliant concept.

The March for Life busses leaving St. John's Church on Friday morning, Jan. 25th should be full. We will report on our success on that next month. I'm sure I'll have many good things to report on the success of the Fr. Murray Scholarship Dance too. Finally read the Dates to Remember because we have a busy month of February planned too. Starting with our Third Degree in honor of our late Brother Charlie Dietz, then the Super Bowl Party on Sunday Feb.3rd. We will also have our Family Communion Mass and Breakfast on Sunday Feb. 17th. Please consider bringing your family out to that. There are also more rentals in Feb. to help out and have fun working with a great bunch of people. Hope to see many of you soon down at the Council. God Bless.

Vivat Jesus, John E. McGill, Grand Knight

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Sick & Wake Report – as of January 22, 2013.

Call Ed Kostka at 201-387-9482 to add or delete a name on this list. *Italic indicates new name or a change in condition.*

Members	l de la companya de la
Dick Dorozynski	Fred Jacobsen, PGK
Bill Murphy, PGK	Nicholas Slade
Jack O'Brien	Michael Cremin
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	George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN

and all our members, family, and friends that have been sick with the flu, bronchitis, pneumonia.

Relatives & Friends

Adele Witkowski, widow of Jos. Witkowski; Ann Marsigliano, sister-in-law of Jack Marsigliano; Annette Karash, mother of Joseph Karash; Billy Whelan, son of Jim Whelan. Candice Barnes, friend of Geoff Sadock. Dianne Malesky, wife of Ken Malesky; Francine Corbo, wife of George Corbo; Frank Grana, brother-in-law of Linda Grana; Herta Nelson, mother in law of Ed Trawinski: Jill Ciotti, wife of PGK Tom Ciotti: Jonathan Jacobi, grandson of the late PGK F. Messina; Kay Slade, wife of Nicholas Slade. Kristi Marie, granddaughter of Frank Uvenio. Laurie, wife of Bob Knott; Millie Graziano, sister-in-law of the late Art Rudolph; Mona, wife of Tom O'Brien; Nicole Cafarelli, niece of Bob Wrightington; Patricia Ianni, wife of Anthony Ianni; Shilene Sacthell, neice of PGK Ivan Hannibal. Zachary Lincoln, great nephew of Dick Dorozynski.

Wakes

Members: Walter Boettger; Charlie Dietz; Anne Taxter, wife of Al Taxter; Richard Burke, husband of Columbiette Eileen Burke; Jack Kittle, friend of the Council; Fr. Clark Gates, SMA;

New Reservations Procedure

Important note: please include the names of your guests when making your reservation so that they can be listed on seating chart. **Reservations for all of our functions are a must!** There are (3) ways to reserve your place or table:

--Email me at papagdc@aol.com and include info as noted below. --Call me at 201-338-2617. Leave your name, phone #, and names of guests.

--Email reservations to: kofc1345reservations@gmail.com. Leave name, phone # and names of guests. (preferred option.)

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our members celebrating a birthday in February.

Catholic Men's Conference...Saturday, May 2, 2013 at Seton Hall University.

Bergen Federation: 30th Anniversary celebration on Sunday, Feb. 10, 2013. 9:30am Mass at Assumption Church in Wood Ridge. Followed by breakfast at The Fiesta. Cost is \$20.00 per person. Call Vito Mazza 201-446-4072 to make your reservations.

Church Activities Report

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm. The next rosary is Wednesday, February 13, 2013. Refreshments served after. Feb 13 is also Ash Wednesday; remember to get your ashes.

George Corbo, Chairman

Membership & Recruitment Activities

Friday, Feb. 1, 2013, we're hosting a Third Degree at our Council. The honoree is our late & great Charlie Dietz. Brothers, try to attend this special occasion, starts at 7pm. *Carmine Grillo, Membership Chairman*

Financial Secretary Report

By now you have received your dues bills. Try to get your payment in by end of February. Late notices cost the council extra postage dollars.

And remember to send in your blue survey form to update your record profile.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN, 201-338-2617.

Deputy Grand Knight Message

Brothers, come down to our council on Friday nights and enjoy a relaxing hour or so with your friends. Bring a friend. A <u>complimentary</u> snack is served at about 9pm. *Chuck Hollis, Deputy Grand Knight*

Annual Communion Breakfast

Our annual Communion Breakfast and Mass will take place on Sunday February 17, 2013 starting at the 10AM Mass at St. Mary's Church and followed by breakfast at our council. Our special speaker will be Fr. Domenic Ciriaco, Pastor of St. Mary's Church and our Chaplin. He will give a Lenten talk to our membership, family and guests.

The price for this event is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 10 and under. (There will be a \$20.00 cap per immediate family). Breakfast will be our "fabulous homemade" pancakes, bacon and sausage, coffee, tea and juice.

Please make reservations with George D at 201-338-2617. Please make every effort to attend this very important religious family event of our council.

Free to a good home...

We have (2) large screen TV's that are free for anyone who wishes or needs another TV. These are box-style TV's in good working order.

We also have several round cocktail tables and chairs for anyone who can use them.

All you need to do is contact George DiCostanzo at 201-338-2617 or email papagdc@aol.com. He will make the arrangements for you to come and pick it up.

The Twelve

Imagine the great honor and joy it would have been to be chosen by Jesus as one of the Apostles. But along with the joy and honor came a great responsibility. They were named by Jesus as "The Twelve".

Their mission was to go out into the world and be active witnesses of Christ's teachings. They were chosen messengers of Jesus and were given the power to cast out evil, to heal, and to preach his teachings.

Many of "The Twelve" lost their lives to persecution, but until their deaths, they continued to carry out Jesus' work. Because of these men, the history of the world changed.

A new series on the Apostles. Each month, we will focus on one of "The Twelve".

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN.

Columbiette Report

As this goes to press, we are anxiously looking forward to our Annual "New Year" dinner meeting at Il Mulino restaurant in Dumont. With such rave reviews last year, we are making this an annual event for our first meeting of each new calendar year.

Our 2013 membership cards are in! They will be available at our February meeting, or send back the membership reminder you received in the mail. We are asking each member this year for \$25.00 (\$20.00 dues and \$5.00 for the annual state raffle).

Upcoming Calendar of Events...please mark your calendars.....

-February 20th - Regular Meeting

-March 20th - Regular Meeting

-Sunday, April 7, 2013 - Our annual Tea Party! A favorite event, come join us from 2pm to 5pm. Adults \$12.00 and Children - \$7.00 Reservations will be required. More details to follow. Call VP Joan Winant @ 201.696.1159 or eMail Financial Secy Laura Labetti at labetti250@optonline.net for advance reservations.

-April 17^{th -} Regular Meeting

-May 15th - Regular Meeting

-June 19th - Regular Meeting

Joan Winant. Secretary / Publicity

Coming Up in March & April

Fri, Mar. 8	Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Pasta Dinner
Sun, Mar 10	St. Patrick's Day Parade
	Daylight Savings Time begins.
April 18 – 21	Collection Drive for Disabled Persons
Sat, Apr 27	Special Children's Dance

Dates to Remember

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Boy Scout Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:00pm.		
Fri, Feb. 1	Council Closed – Third Degree 7pm.	
Sat, Feb. 2	Setup 10am	
	Rental 2pm – 6pm.	
Sun, Feb. 3	Super Bowl Party 5pm.	
Mon, Feb. 4	Council mtg 8pm.	
Thurs, Feb. 7	Setup 7pm.	
Sat, Feb. 9	Rental 7pm – 11pm.	
Sun, Feb. 10	Setup 12pm.	
	Rental 3pm – 7pm.	
	Bergen Federation mass & breakfast.	
Mon, Feb. 11	Officer mtg 8pm.	
Tues, Feb. 12	Lincoln's Birthday	
Wed, Feb. 13	Ash Wednesday	
	Rosary Hour 8pm.	
Thurs, Feb. 14	Valentine's Day	
	Setup 7pm	
Fri, Feb. 15	Fish Fry at Norwood Council.	
Sat, Feb. 16	Rental 7pm – 11pm.	
Sun, Feb. 17	Family Communion Mass & breakfast.	
Mon, Feb. 18	President's Day	
	Council mtg 8pm. Lecturer at 9pm.	
Tues, Feb. 19	Newsletter mlg. 10am.	
Wed, Feb. 20	Columbiette mtg 7:30pm.	
Thurs, Feb. 21	Setup 7pm.	
Sat, Feb. 23	Rental 6pm – 10pm. Setup 10pm.	
Sun, Feb. 24	Rental 1pm – 5pm.	
Tues, Feb. 26	Columbian Club mtg. 8pm.	
Sat, Mar. 2	DHS Drama Club fundraiser 3pm.	
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Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

No Report this month.

Ray Ziemba, Adult Counselor

Columbian Club Report

Catering/Hall Rental: planning any parties...birthdays, showers, communions, confirmations, anniversaries, weddings? If you are, consider our facility as a possibility, and give us an opportunity to make a proposal.

Come see our facility; our Dining Room and the newly renovated Lounge. Call me at 201-338-2617 to setup a visit. *Good food, Good Service, Affordable Prices.*

PGK George DiCostanzo, Rental Chairman

Council Scholarship News

Applications for this year's Council scholarships are now available and can be picked up at the bar on a Friday or a meeting night. Or, call me at 201-338-2617 for a copy to be mailed. A brochure on K of C scholarships is also available free of charge.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, Chairman

Advance Notice – Beef & Brew Dinner

You have told us, and now we have listened. We have hired a "live band" for our Beef & Brew dance on Saturday, June 1, 2013. "IN HARMONY" – the 50's & 60's band, will provide the music entertainment.

This is the same band we have used at our last two New Year's Eve parties. You may have heard the rave reviews.

Now, it's only February, and this band has a following crowd of its own, and we expect a full house. So, you can make your reservations early, but, payment in advance will be required with all reservations. Cost is still \$30.00 per person. Call me (George D) at 201-338-2617.

Carry Your Rosary Everyday When you carry a Rosary, Satan has a headache. When you use it, he collapses. When he sees you praying it, he faints. Let us pray the rosary every time, so that he'll keep fainting.

Photo Gallery

Keep Christ in Christmas – Final Report

A very successful campaign this year. 250 lawn signs were distributed free at our parish churches. Banners were placed at our two churches and two other Christian churches. And our nativity crèche, "Light up for Christ", was on display and lighted from Dec 3 till Jan 13. Fr. Mike Trainor from St. Mary's Church did the blessing.

Congratulations to Chairman Ed Kostka for a job well done. We hope to repeat the distribution of lawn signs again next year.



Defense of Marriage (excerpt from Catholic League)

Bishop Thomas J. Tobin (Rhode Island) statement on defense of marriage.

-*Historical issues*: the proposal to legalize same-sex marriage is an attempt to redefine marriage as it has existed in every culture from the beginning of human history. -*Biblical issues*: marriage was defined by God for two specific purposes: to affirm the complimentary roles of males and females in a loving relationship, and to provide a stable foundation for the procreation and raising of children. -*Sociological issues*: the concept of same-sex marriage is untested with long-term outcomes.

-constitutional issues: the establishment of same-sex marriage would pose yet another threat to religious freedom.

The Supreme Court, currently hearing arguments, should render a decision by June of this year on this issue.