



The Knight Times

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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Scouts & Friends,

Happy New Year!

We will all be wishing each other a Happy New Year in the coming days. A New Year brings new wishes, new challenges, and new dreams as well as some disappointment and sorrow. St. John's Council will also again face challenges in 2019 and we need to rely on the strength, talents and wisdom of our members to triumph, prevail and persist as we continue to serve our Church and Community.

The biggest challenge we face as we enter 2019 is the recruitment of new Catholic men to our order and St. John's Council. There is no other way to say this - we need all of our members to do their best to bring a new member into our Council in 2019. The continued presence of our Council in Bergenfield, Dumont, St. John's Church, St. Mary's Church, and the SMA Mission is dependent on our recruitment of new members - our sons, our grandsons, our fathers, and our grandfathers.

All of us joined the Knights of Columbus because we wanted to help our Churches and Community. That's what we tell our prospective members - "We do great things here at St. John's Council" - please consider joining us. Get their name and phone number and pass it along to me, our Deputy Grand Knight Ken Armellino, our Chancellor Matthew Connell, or our Financial Secretary, George Di Costanzo. Together we can bring that man into our Council. Like everything else we do at St. John's Council, we work together, and the increase of our membership numbers is essential to our Council's prosperity.

When you are recruiting a new member, have a few "selling points" -

- January 18, 2019 - St. John's Council teams with Dumont High School to put on a great show - their Annual Murder - Mystery
- January 18, 2019 - The March for Life in Washington, D.C.
- January 26, 2019 - Murray Scholarship Dinner (we raise scholarship money for member's families)
- January 30, 2019 - St. John's Council Feeds the Homeless
- March 10, 2019 - St. John's Council honors the Irish by marching in the Bergen County Parade in Bergenfield
- April 7, 2019 - St. John's Council hosts Children's Easter Party
- April 25-28, 2019 - St. John's Council participates in Drive for Disabled Citizens

Remember - 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
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Treasurer	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Advocate	Rich Oldfield	201-214-9375
Financial Sec	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Inside Guard	Grif Auld	201-785-7756
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	(open)	

Council Chairmen 2018-2019

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Council Activities:	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
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:	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
	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	Grif Auld	201-785-7756
Kitchen Chmn:	Grif Auld	201-785-7756
President:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Purchasing Chmn:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Rentals Agent:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Secretary:	Griffin Auld	201-785-7756
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 Sciarino	201-387-2916
Sentinel:	Maureen Italiano	201-916-1404
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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

Knight Times Newsletter

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Sick & Wake Report – as of Dec. 14, 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 McGill
-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		-G. DiCostanzo, FS, PGK
-Jack Marsigliano		-Ed Orr
-Antonio Fundaro		-Al Taxter
-Dan Taylor		

Relatives & Friends

-Annette Roge, Columbiette

- 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
- 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 Vostinar, mother of Kevin Vostinar;
- 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
- Wife of Charles Miraglia, K of C General Agent**
- William Borrows, Jr, son of William Borrows

Wakes

Members:

-Jim Kelly, Sr.; James C. Keane; John Murphy, NJSP;

Relatives & Friends:

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 greetings to our members celebrating a birthday or special occasion in January.

We remember in a special way our late Chaplain Emeritus Rev. John F. Murray, SMA, who travelled with us each year to the March for Life rally in Wash, DC. We also have pleasant memories of his birthday's - January 25 - that we celebrated at our Fr. Murray Scholarship Dance.

Congratulations to David Gallacher, member & son of PGK Frank & Darcy Gallacher, on his acceptance to the Bar Assoc.

Chancellor-Membership Report

Mark your calendar. We will be hosting the Knighthood (3rd) Degree at our Council on Friday, March 22, 2019.

Matt Connell, Chancellor

Financial Secretary Report

First dues bills for 2019 were mailed before Christmas. **Payment is due by end of January.** Your cooperation in paying on time by end of January is gratefully appreciated.

George Di Costanzo, FS, PGK

Respect Life Report

Ladies and Gentlemen: This is IT. THE MARCH FOR LIFE. St John's Church in Bergenfield and St. John's Council #1345 KofC in Dumont have 2 buses holding 55 each for the March for Life on Friday January 18 2019.

The Mass will be held on Thursday evening at 7:30pm in upper church rather than at 6:30am. We are doing this so when the 2 buses arrive at 6:15am Friday we are ready to go to DC for the March and to hear the presentations on the Mall. Then we March for LIFE

The fee is a reasonable- \$15.00 each (preferably paid before the 18th). Bring a box lunch (sandwich) and beverage for trip down to DC. We stop at the Chesapeake House on way down, then to St Peters Church in DC then the Mall and March.

We stop on Highway for dinner. We should be home by 10:30pm. A long but rewarding day. Tell your friends, have them Join us to celebrate LIFE.

Call Matt Connell at 201-387-7187, or Gerry Flood at 914-343-5508 to reserve a seat(s). God Bless Everyone and a Healthy New Year.

Matt Connell, Chairman

Friday Night Socials

Our Friday Night Socials are very popular for enjoying some relaxing time with members and their guests, enjoying a beverage, and our complimentary snack. Participate in our 50-50 Raffle to support our charitable activities.

For more enjoyment, we have added two special nights. On First Fridays, it's PIZZA NIGHT - a popular favorite. On the SECOND Friday, we hold a TRIVIA CONTEST. On the FOURTH Friday, we hold a KARAOKE CONTEST. Prizes are awarded for each contest

Look for our email blasts and listen for our calling posts to keep in the loop! ***See you on a Friday Night!***

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK

Columbian Club Report

Over a year ago we made a point of directly donating the tip money we collect from Friday socials, council events and rentals. I'm proud to say we are donating another \$1300.00 in

total to the Dumont and Bergenfield food pantries as well as St Mary's Dumont and St John's Bergenfield food pantries from tips collected in October and November.

We also contributed \$300.00 in tips towards funds needed for an Appalachia toy drive Greg Ryan is heavily involved in each year. We also collected many toys for the children of Appalachia.

Thanks to everyone who helps make this possible. Please volunteer to work events when asked or better yet give me a call on my cell at 201-707-9890. ***Also, we are still taking last minute reservations for New Year's Eve!*** Merry Christmas!

Tom Formoso, TBCC Pres.

Keep Christ in Christmas Program

Our KCIC program included banners displayed at our 2 churches, St. John's & St. Mary's. We were able to sell some car magnets, and also had our Nativity Creche displayed on Washington Ave in front of the Police Dept.



From left: GK Steve Martin, Rev. Michael Moran SMA, FS G. DiCostanzo, Lecturer Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Advocate Rich Oldfield.

And we hosted a community Children's Christmas Party for 66 children and their parents, featuring a special appearance by Santa and Mrs. Claus.



Left photo: GK Steve Martin with Elf Katie Orsino & Santa (Tony Tully) at Adult Party. Right photo: Elf Nina Di Costanzo, Santa & Mrs Claus (Sheila Tulli), and Elf Katie Orsino, at Children's party..

PGK G.DiCostanzo, FS

Feeding the Homeless

Our Council will be volunteering at the Hackensack Shelter to feed the homeless and those in need of a good meal on January 30, 2019. This is an incredible opportunity for our Council to demonstrate the great work that we do for the community.

We need volunteers to cook turkeys and prepare the meal on January 29th and the morning of January 30th. We leave the Council at 3 pm with the food and set up the dinner at the Shelter for serving at 5 pm.

Please contact me on my cell (201-669-8236) if you are interested in helping in this endeavor. I can attest from participating at this event that the people we serve, feed, and assist, are unbelievably grateful for the food we provide and the friendship we offer.

Steven Martin, Grand Knight

Dates to Remember

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6pm.

Mon, Dec 31	NYE party 8pm-1am.
Tues, Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Thurs, Jan. 3	Setup 7pm.
Fri, Jan. 4	Friday Social - Pizza Night 7pm.
Sat, Jan. 5	Rental - 6pm
Sun, Jan. 6	Rental - 2pm <i>Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord</i>
Thurs, Jan. 10	Darts Tournament 7pm.
Fri, Jan. 11	Friday Social - Trivia Night 7pm.
Mon, Jan. 14	AARP meeting 10am. Officer meeting 8pm.
Wed, Jan. 16	Columbiette Holiday Dinner
Thurs, Jan. 17	Darts Tournament 7pm.
Fri, Jan. 18	<i>March for Life rally Wash, DC</i> Council-DHS Murder Mystery 7pm
Jan. 19-20	Recruitment - St. John's Church
Mon, Jan., 21	<i>Martin Luther King Day</i> Council general meeting 8pm
Tues, Jan. 22	<i>Day of Prayer for the Unborn</i>
Thurs, Jan. 24	Setup 7pm
Fri, Jan. 25	Friday Social-Karaoke Night 7pm.
Sat, Jan 26	Fr. Murray Scholarship Dance 7pm <i>GK Mid-term meeting 9am.(away).</i>
Sun, Jan. 27	Rental 2pm.
Thurs, Jan.31	Darts Tournament 7pm. <i>Bergen Federation meeting 8pm.(away).</i>
Sat, Feb 2	Texas Hold-em Poker Tournament 6pm.

Columbiettes Report

"The snow is snowing and the wind is blowing

But I can weather the storm!

What do I care how much it may storm?

For I've got my love to keep me warm"

(Billie Holiday, 1937)

Happy New Year 2019! The Columbiettes will be kicking off the new year with a Post-Holiday celebration at Lietto's Restaurant in New Milford in January. This is in lieu of our January meeting. If you are planning on attending, please RSVP (as we do need a head count) to Laura Labetti at 201-387-7479 or email labetti250@optonline.net. As I am writing this before our December meeting the details of this event, the time, date and cost has not yet been set. We will discuss this at our December 19 meeting. Just a reminder this meeting will be a short meeting so that we can have our own Christmas Party/pot luck supper.

Please note, our 2019 Columbiette Membership Dues (which are \$25.00) are now due! You can bring your dues to our December meeting or the night of our holiday meeting or, if you prefer, you can mail it to our Financial Secretary, Lillian Holmes at 191 Beech Street, Hackensack, NJ 07601.

Upcoming events for the 2019 year will be our new popular event, "Spring Time Tricky Tray!" Discussion for these events will take place at our meetings. Remember all of the money generated from these events will go to the charities that we support. Your participation in all of the events is always needed and very much appreciated!

Here's to the new year! May we find peace, health and happiness! Peace.....

Roberta Elwell, PP, Publicity

Fr. Murray Scholarship Fund

The Annual Fr. Murray Scholarship Dance will be held on Saturday, January 26, 2019, from 7-11pm. We will be serving a Family-Style Sit-down Dinner of Salad, Penne, and Sliced Roast Beef with potato and vegetable. The cost of this dance will be \$35, which includes music by our DJ Lady J and tap beer, wine, tap soda, coffee, tea, dessert.

All of the money we raise benefits St. John's Scholarship Fund and enables us to distribute college scholarships to the children and grandchildren of members of Our Council. Please try and attend this dance which assists our children and allows us to pay tribute to Father John Murray, a great man, priest, and chaplain.

Steven Martin, Grant Knight

Super Bowl Party

We will host our Annual Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 3, 2019. Doors will open at 5pm. I NEED 50 reservations by Sunday January 27, 2019 or I cannot run the party. Please call me directly on my cell: 201-669-8236 to make your reservation. The cost is \$30 per person. Our buffet will include pasta, meatballs, hotdogs, chili, and chicken wings. Tap beer, wine and soda are included in the price. I hope to see you there.

Steven Martin, Grand Knight

Dart Team Report

Our Dart Team continues its undefeated streak and is in First Place in its division. Next home games will be on: Thursday, Jan 10, 17, & 31, all starting at 7pm.

Cash bar and sports TV available.

Mike Rowley

Upcoming Dates

*Texas Hold-Em Poker Tournament, Feb. 2 - 6pm.

*Super Bowl party - Feb. 3, 5pm-10pm.

*Country & Western Dance - Feb. 16, 7-11pm.

*4th Degree PFN Dinner - Feb. 23 for Frank Gallacher

*Knighthood (3rd) Degree - Mar. 22 at our Council.

*Irish Night - Mar. 30 - final celebration for St. Patrick.

Seminarian Support

Remember our seminarian Moris Montoya in your prayers.

Contact info: Immaculate Conception Seminary, Att: Moris Montoya, 400 So. Orange Ave, So. Orange, NJ 07079

G. DiCostanzo, FS, PGK

Council By-Laws Amendment

Effective January 2019, the annual dues for Regular members is increased to \$35.00, and for Honorary members to \$12.00.

Rich Oldfield, Advocate

Prayer for Families

Almighty God and Father, Help all families to live as the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph united in respect and love.

Teach us through them the sanctity of human love, the value of family life, and the way to live at peace with all, that we may share in Your life forever. Amen .