



The Knight Times



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Grand Knight's Message

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

We now welcome the Columbian year of 2018-2019 and it goes without saying this great Council will again be a leader in the Bergenfield-Dumont community. I am proud to report our donations to St. John's Church and St. Mary's Church increased this year in no small part to your support of our Council and our Columbian Club. I am proud to report that our donations to the Social Services agencies of Bergenfield and Dumont also increased. I am proud to report that we will be distributing in the coming months the monies everyone helped us collect during the Shake the Can Drive (over \$7000) and the monies we raised at our Special Children's Dance (\$1400) to local charities that assist special needs of adults and children. We will be listing these charities in next month's Knight Times.

I worked closely this past year with a great Knight, a great husband, a great father, a great grandfather and great friend George Di Costanzo who served as President of the Columbian Club last year. Eveyone has seen the changes in our Council this year. Our Hall is beautiful. We spent a lot of money this past year upgrading the Council. Upgrades were made to the sound system, the electrical system, the game room, lounge and lobby. George led the effort in changing the look of our Council and he was assisted by other dedicated Brothers-John Graham, Ken Armellino, Mike Cremin, Juan Melendez, Al Taxter and Tom Formoso. Thank You for your efforts and time this past year.

I now welcome our new Columbian Club Officers-Tom Formoso, President; John Orsino, Vice President; Mike Cremin-Treasurer. They need our help if we are to continue all the great work that we did this past year. Yes, our mission is Charity, but in addition, we need the money from our rentals to pay our bills. That's a cold, hard fact. Please volunteer when you are called, texted, e-mailed or when you receive a call and post. I ask every capable Brother who has not been active in our efforts to offer 8 hours of his time this Columbian year in any way you can. We need your help. I welcome calls from any brother at any time.

Vivat Jesus,

Steve Martin, Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

On June 13th, Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York inaugurated the first Shrine in the world dedicated to prayer for persecuted Christians, with the blessing of the icon of Our Lady of Aradin, "Mother of the Persecuted Church," at St. Michael's Church in New York City.

At the dedication, his Eminence said he hopes the shrine will be a place "to pray for all the displaced Christians of the Middle East," and for the whole world.

The new shrine showcases an icon of Our Lady of Aradin, an image of the Virgin Mary with Iraqi features, which Cardinal Dolan called "timely and relevant" adding that he hoped the sanctuary would be a place "for all who cherish religious freedom."

Few of us are truly aware how many of our brothers and sisters in Christ face extreme persecution for their Christian faith. This is particularly true in some parts of the Middle East where many Christians have become modern day martyrs.

As our nation prepares to celebrate Independence Day, let us give thanks that the laws of our nation guarantee us religious freedom. Let also be united in prayer with our Christian brothers and sisters who are denied such basic essential rites. Let us be a voice for those who are silenced because, like us, like acknowledge Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Fr. Stephen Carey, Chaplain

Council Officers 2017-2018

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Council Chairmen 2016-2017

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
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Rentals Agent:	Griffin Auld	201-785-7756
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Treasurer:	Mike Cremin	201-956-2782
Vice President:	Tom Formoso	201-540-7950

Columbiette's Ladies Auxiliary 2017-2018

President:	Laura Labetti	201-387-7479
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Secretary:	Marge Kenter	201-647-9805
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Sentinel:	Maureen Italiano	201-916-1404
Past President:	A. Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617

BOY SCOUTS – Troop #1345 / Crew #1345 – 2017-2018

Scoutmaster –	Rich Merkovsky	201-494-9912
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Asst. Scoutmaster –	Billy Cook	201-566-5036
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Knight Times Newsletter

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Sick & Wake Report – as of June 15, 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	-Tony O'Hare
-John Maguire	-Bill Horn
-Bill Connington, PGK	-Ed Covino
-James Keane	-Jim Kelly, Sr.
-Jack Marsigliano	-G. DiCostanzo FS, PGK
-John McGill	

Relatives & Friends

-Fr. Ray Filipiski, 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
-Natalia Martinez, granddaughter of Bill Flores
-Nunzia Migliaccio, cousin of PGK Geo. Di Costanzo;
-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:

- **William Hartmann;**

Relatives & Friends:

-George Darby, friend from St. Mary's church;
-Rose Vorhees, aunt of Darcy Gallacher, wife of PGK Frank.
-Karen Camporile, daughter of John Sullivan;
-Father of Deano Miano
-Uncle of Russell Petrocelli, MFD

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 **Griffin Auld at 201-785-7756**, 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 JULY. **Best wishes to Joseph Kelly, celebrated 50 years on June 12.**

Congratulations to Jack Fredericks, son of Donna & Phil Fredericks PGK, who received commission of 2nd Lieutenant in the Army Nat'l Guard.

Congratulations to Russell Petrocelli, MFD completing 4 years as Master of 4th Degree First NJ District.

Congratulations to Peter Briody, State Director Columbian Squires who received Knight of the Year at State Convention.

Membership Report

Congratulations to brothers Robert Feigle, Paul O'Connell, and James McCarthy who have completed their Admission Degree on June 12th. Among these recipients, James McCarthy is our first member to join through the online e-membership program. For those eligible for degree advancement, contact Ken Armellino at 516-220-9333.

Ken Armellino, Chancellor

Financial Secretary Report

No report this month. Enjoy the summer, be safe.

George Di Costanzo, FS, PGK

Friday Night Socials & More

Our Friday night socials continue to be well attended especially with our weekly beverage & complimentary snack specials. Join us & see the "new look" of the council.

We plan to start a Dart League on Thursday nights in late September. If interested, contact Grif Auld 201-785-7756, or Kevin Sheridan 201-844-3180.

And more....*it's World Cup time.* If schedule allows, we plan to open for a Sunday game. We'll use the callingpost service to let everyone know.

PGK G. DiCostanzo, FS, Past Pres, TBCC

Nominating Committee

Results of the election will be published in the August issue.

Tom Formoso, Chairman

San Alfonso Retreat

Brothers, it's time to think about spending 3 days at the peaceful retreat house of San Alfonso. The dates are Friday, July 13 to Sunday July 15. It's 3 days of peace and quiet reflection with our Lord Jesus.

The cost is \$220.00 per person, and is payable upon check in at the Retreat. Check in time is 4pm on Friday; dinner is served at 6pm.

If you can't climb stairs, let me know so I can get you a first floor room. I must know by July 1 so I can make reservations for all the participants.

Any questions, call me at 732-608-0784. Vivat Jesus.

Tom Tulli, Retreat Captain

SAVE THE DATE! POKER IS BACK!

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. **500 Chip bonus if you register by July 25, 2018. RSVP REQUIRED.**

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

Gentlemen- On May 25th Ireland went to the polls to repeal their 8th amendment to their constitution which recognizes the equal right to life for both mother and unborn child. It was part of their constitution since 1983. However, over 70% of the voters voted to remove it. The world is becoming a "SELFIE" and very secular in nature. Nothing is immoral or unjust. Just do it and who cares. I believe Jesus Christ cares. Let us keep praying for new mothers and their unborn children

Matt Connell, DGK, Chairman

Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

Much has been accomplished this year not only with rentals, but more so with the facility improvements and many repairs to equipment, some of which had to be replaced.

My thanks and gratitude to the rental staff coordinators, the Exec Group, and to our contractor John Graham for his expert work. More details next month after we close-out the month of June.

George DiCostanzo, TBCC Past Pres.

Installation Mass & Reception

Saturday, July 22 at St Mary's Church. Mass at 3:00pm, followed by reception at 5:00pm at Council. Cost is \$30.00 per person. Reserve with Ken at 516-220-9399.

Blood Drive

Our next blood drive will be held at St. Mary's Church on Sunday, July 22 from 9am -1pm. Kindly mark your calendar, and if you can donate blood, our local blood bank needs it.

Final Edition

This is my final issue as Editor of Knight Times. I began in 2005, and it has been a rewarding experience to bring you council news & activities each month. Age & health issues have slowed me down. Louis Labetti will be new editor.

Independence Day

God bless our Military, both at home and abroad. God bless all our Veteran's, and may God continue to bless America.

Fly Your Flag Proudly.

Dates to Remember

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6pm.

Wed July 4	Independence Day - Fly your Flag
Thurs July 5	Setup for rental 7pm
Fri July 5	Friday Social 7-11pm
Sat July 6	Rental 7-11pm
Thurs July 12	Setup for rental 7pm
Fri July 13	Friday Social 7-11pm
Sat July 14	Rental - 3-7pm
Thurs July 19	Setup for rental 7pm
Fri July 21	Installation Mass & Reception-St. Mary's
Sun July 22	Blood Drive 9am-
Fri July 27	Friday Social 7-11pm
Fri Aug 3	Friday Social 7-11pm
Sat Aug 4	Poker Tournament 6pm

Columbiette's Report

*"I bought a '30 Ford Wagon and we call it a woodie
(Surf City, here we come)
You know it's not very cherry, it's an oldie but a goodie
(Surf City, here we come)
Well, it ain't got a back seat or a rear window
But it still gets me where I wanna go."
(Jan and Dean, 1963)*

Congratulations to our new slate of Columbiette officers who were installed at our June meeting for the 2018-2019 year. We wish them much success in their positions. They are:

- Laura Labetti: President
- Marge Kenter: Vice President
- Janet Maniscalco : Secretary
- Lillian Holmes: Financial Secretary
- Michele Sciarrino: Treasurer
- Maureen Italiano: Sentinel
- Nina DiCostanzo: Immediate Past President

As our Columbiette article is written a few weeks in advance so that we can meet the due date for publication, we will report in next month's article the charities that we voted on and donated to this year. Also, there will be a report on the Columbiette Convention.

As we prepare to celebrate the 4th of July, here are some fun facts regarding our nation's birthday:
-211 million dollars is spent on fireworks every year
-More than 74 million people will have an Independence Day cookout and
Over 150 million hot dogs will be eaten, that comes out to be one hotdog for every two people!



Enjoy the 4th and let us remember: One flag, one land, one heart, one hand, One Nation evermore!

(Oliver Wendell Holmes)

Fly a flag. If you don't have one, call George D 201-338-2617 & he will send you a small one.

Roberta Elwell, PP, Publicity

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

Troop 1345 has several leadership projects underway at the moment. First, there is a refurbishment project happening at the Dumont Roller Hockey rink next to the swim club.

Second, there is a collection of goods being conducted to send to military personnel located in the Middle East.

Third, there is a collection of goods being conducted to send to Puerto Rico for those who are still without power from last year's hurricanes.

And fourth, there is a tournament being conducted to raise money for new wrestling mats at River Dell High School. We wish these young men much success with their respective endeavors.

Crew 1345 has been working with the Dumont Swim Club to re-certify existing lifeguards and train new lifeguards. So far this year there have been 17 lifeguards re-certified and 4 new lifeguards trained.

Ray Ziemba, Crew 1345 Advisor

Photo Gallery

At the Pride in Priest Reception



Starting at left and around to the right: GK Steve Martin, Chaplain Fr. Stephen Carey, Nina & George DiCostanzo, Matt Connell, Msgr. Richard Arnholts, Fr. Ray Filipiski, Ken & Ganine Armellino, and District Deputy Chuck Hollis.



Joseph Cardinal Tobin, and State Deputy Bob Hatler. Bob presented the Cardinal with a \$10,000 check for Archdiocese charities.

below: Matt Connell, Msgr. R. Arnholts, Fr. Ray Filipiski

