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Grand Knight's Message

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

Another Columbian Year has passed by and I want to thank my Council Officers, our Columbian Club Officers and Father Carey our Chaplain for all their hard work this year.

We made some changes in our thinking for our vision of the future this past year. We have made numerous improvements to our Council Home, both inside and outside. We were able to donate more money during our Columbian Year to the social service agencies of Bergenfield and Dumont, money that will immediately assist our neighbors in need. We have also been able to make additional donations during our Columbian Year to St. John's Church and St. Mary's Church. This is why we are all members of St. John's Council- to assist our community and Churches consonant with the vision of Father Michael McGivney, our Founder.

I will return as Grand Knight of St. John's Council for 2018-2019. I want to thank Gerry Flood and Dave Benson for their services as officers this past year and in years past. I welcome Jim Callahan as a new member of our Council Officer Team. I welcome back Bill Bochicchio as a Trustee of our Council. I thank our Nominating Committee- Tom Formoso, Frank Gallacher, and George DiCostanzo for their assistance in putting together our Officer's slate for 2018-2019.

Two final thoughts as our Columbian Year comes to an end.

We need more help from our membership in 2018-2019 if we are to continue our charitable mission in this coming year and in the years to come. We need help in all facets of the operation of our Council- mailing our bulletin every month, setting up for our rentals, working at our rentals and assisting at our Friday Night Socials. I encourage all members to call me directly to help us in these endeavors.

Our Council Anniversary Party, which we have named C+ 10, will be held on June 30, 2018. Brian O' Dowd is the Chairman of this special event which promises to be a great evening. Bob Hatler, our State Deputy will be on hand to help us celebrate. I have invited all Past Grand Knights to join us for this Celebration. We will be entertained by the Rhythm & Blues Band that recently performed at our Special Children's Dance. All the feedback I received about their performance was all positive and I was urged to get them back. We've done that. Brother Jim Kelly will be preparing a prime rib dinner for the Celebration. So, we have covered all the bases- great food and great entertainment in honor of our Council's 110th Birthday. All this for 40 dollars. We need your reservation as early as possible.

Vivat Jesus,

Steve Martin, Grand Knight

Council Officers 2017-2018

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:	Rev. Stephen Carey	201-384-0557
Grand Knight	Steve Martin, PGK	201-669-8236
Deputy GK:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Chancellor	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Warden	Sal Donatacci PGK	201-238-0459
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	Kevin Sheridan	201-844-3180
Outside Guard I	Willie Cintron	201-951-9164
Outside Guard II	Gerry Flood	914-343-5508
Trustee 1 yr.	Dave Benson, PGK	201-385-1839
Trustee 2 yr.	Larry Rivera, PGK	201-315-0456
Trustee 3 yr	Frank Gallacher, PGK	201-957-2683
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent	John McAvinue	973-563-0120

Council Chairmen 2016-2017

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Council Activities:	Willie Cintron	201-951-9164
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:	Ken Armellino	201-220-9333
Newsletter Editor:	G. Di Costanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Parish Roundtable:	Steve Martin, PGK	201-669-8236
Program Director:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Publicity:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Respect for Life:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Retention:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
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 2017-2018

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	Tom Formoso	201-540-7950
Kitchen Chmn:	Frank Fundaro	201-577-4787
President:	Geo. Di Costanzo, FS, PGK	201-338-2617
Purchasing Chmn:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Rentals Agent:	Griffin Auld	201-785-7756
Secretary:	Bill Flores	917-544-2322
Servers/Waiters:	Michele Orsino	201-280-7892
Setup Chairman:	George Prevete	201-870-2927
Treasurer:	Mike Cremin	201-956-2782
Vice President:	Tom Formoso	201-540-7950

Columbette's Ladies Auxiliary 2017-2018

President:	Laura Labetti	201-387-7479
Vice-President:	Ann Panfile	201-501-0344
Secretary:	Marge Kenter	201-647-9805
Financial Secy:	Lillian Holmes	201-342-5142
Treasurer:	Michele Sciarino	201-387-2916
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
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 May 21, 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

Relatives & Friends

-Father of Deano Miano
-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.
-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:

-Sal Fararo;

Relatives & Friends:

-George Darby, friend from St. Mary's church;
-Rose Vorhees, aunt of Darcy Gallacher, wife of PGK Frank.

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 JUNE. Best wishes to Gloria DeStefano for her June 9 birthday.

Congratulations to Ed & Janet Trawinski -40 years married on July 22.

Membership Report

Congratulations to brother GerryAponte who have completed his Admission Degree on May 8th.

There is a Formation (2nd) Degree in Secaucus on June 5th. If interested in attending please let me know.

Ken Armellino, Chancellor 516-220-9333

Financial Secretary Report

It's unfortunate, but this month we have to suspend several members for non-payment of dues. Most discouraging is that these members have not responded at all to the 4 letter mailings and the phone call blitz. Sad.....

George Di Costanzo, FS,PGK

Friday Night Socials

Look for our weekly "specials" flyers by email or callingpost phone calls. Come visit and experience the "new" atmosphere of the Council. Enjoy fellowship, talk and a beverage with other members, watch sports, play games....pool, darts, and our newest game....shuffle board. Enjoy our complimentary snack, and participate in our "attendance" 50/50 raffle.

PGK G. DiCostanzo, FS, Pres.TBCC

Collection Drive for Intellectually Disabled Persons aka "Shake the Can" Drive

I want to thank everyone who participated in our Annual Shake the Can Drive. It takes a lot of people to come together to pull off this event. I want to remind everyone that every cent we collected goes directly to charities that benefit and assist our friends, neighbors, and citizens with special needs- both physical and intellectual. The weather was challenging on Thursday and Friday but we were still able to collect \$7100.00.

This event truly exemplifies the Knights of Columbus and reminds everyone by our presence in front of the stores and in the streets of who we are- a fraternal Catholic organization dedicated to our community

St. John's Council's 110th Anniversary

It's hard to believe, but it has been ten years since we celebrated our Centennial. This year, we will celebrate our 110th year as a Council and we're planning something special.

On Saturday June 30th, we'll have an evening of fun, reminisces, and presentations from 7-11PM. We will also honor our immediate Past Grand Knight Frank Gallacher.

Since it's a special occasion, we will be having a prime rib dinner (Salmon is an option) with hors d'oeuvres, salad, bread, a vegetable, coffee, tea, dessert and beverages. And best of all, we will have the return of **the R&B Show** as the entertainment.

The cost of this evening is \$40 per person and reservations are required. Call or text Ken @ 516-220-9333 or email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com.

Brian O'Dowd, Event Chairman

Nominating Committee

Our committee this year was comprised of Chairman Tom Formoso, PGK's Frank Gallacher and Larry Rivers, and FS George DiCostanzo, PGK.

Council Slate of Officers for 2018-2019 follows:

Grand Knight	Steve Martin,
Dep Grand Knight	Ken Armellino
Chancellor/Membership	Matt Connell
Warden	Kevin Sheridan
Recorder	Brian O'Dowd
Inside Guard	Willie Cintron
Outside Guard	Jim Callahan
Trustee - 3 years	Bill Bochicchio, FDD
Trustee - 2 years	Frank Gallacher, PGK
Trustee - 1 year	Larry Rivera, PGK
Treasurer	Arturo Ilano
Advocate	Rich Oldfield

Columbian Club Slate of Officers for 2018-2019

President	Tom Formoso
Vice President	John Orsino
Secretary	Bill Flores
Treasurer	Michael Cremin
Trustee	George DiCostanzo, PGK
Trustee	Al Taxter
Trustee	John Graham

Elections for both units will be held at our June meeting.

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.

Tony 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. RSVF REQUIRED.

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

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*

Dates to Remember

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6pm.

Fri, June 1	<i>Friday Social</i>
Sat, June 2	Benefit for Pizzute family at St. Mary's in Szelest Hall. 7-11pm. Food supplied by St. John's Council K of C.
Sun, Jun 3	Rental - Kassiss Eagle Ceremony 2pm.
Thurs, Jun 7	<i>Set-up for rental 7pm.</i> Columbiettes Convention mtg. 8pm.
Fri, June 8	Rental - Honiss Dance 4pm-8pm. <i>Friday Social 8pm.</i>
Sat, Jun 9	Rental - Orsino sweet 16-- 6pm.
Mon, Jun 11	AARP mtg - 10am Officer mtg - 8pm.
Thurs, Jun 14	<i>Set-up at 7pm.</i> Columbiette Convention mtg. 8pm.
Fri, Jun 15	Rental - Hoover School 7pm
Sat, Jun 16	Rental - Troop 1345 anniversary 6pm
Sun, Jun 17	Father's Day
Mon, Jun 18	Council mtg 8pm.
Wed, Jun 20	Columbiette mtg 8pm - Election night
Thurs, Jun 21	<i>Setup 7pm.</i>
Fri, Jun 22	<i>Friday Social 8pm</i>
Sat, Jun 23	Rental - Martini party 3pm.
Thurs, Jun 28	<i>Setup 7pm</i>
Fri, Jun 29	<i>Friday Social 8pm.</i>
Sat, Jun 30	Council Ann'y party C+10, 7-11pm.

Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

This is "FEEL GOOD NEWS" ...As a result of our rentals, and on behalf of the volunteers who serve at these rentals, so date, we have donated to the 4 food pantries in Bergenfield & Dumont the healthy amount of \$4100 in food gift cards for those in need to buy perishable foods...milk, eggs, bread, meat, etc.

But we can only do this if we have the volunteers to serve. So please, when MICHELE ORSINO calls you and gives you several dates for help needed, please say YES to one of them.

Michele has 8 events this month that she will need to staff with sufficient help. If everyone picks one date, we can cover the month and no one has to work more than once.

We also need NEW VOLUNTEERS. Our current group is aging and can only do so much. Please HELP as follows:

-Kitchen - We need volunteers to deliver food to the buffet line as needed. We also need (2) volunteers each Friday Night to warm and serve our Friday Night complimentary snack.

-Servers/Waiters - we need volunteers to serve food to the guests.

-Bartenders - We need more bartenders to cover (2) men per event, whether it's a Friday Night Social or a Rental.

-Dishwashers - By far, our greatest need. And now, the clean-up is easier as we do less cooking.

-Daytime Clean-Up Crew - we need a few volunteers for (1) day a week to put away stuff from the weekend's rentals.

If you are able and willing to help in any one of these area's, please call me at 201-338-2617 and we will find the perfect opportunity for you to do some service work.

George Di Costanzo, TBCC President

Columbiette's Report

*"We're waxing down our surfboards
We can't wait till June, We'll all be gone
For the summer, we're on safari to stay
Tell the teacher we're surfin, Surfin USA"*
(The Beach Boys, 1963)

We congratulate all of our officers who were elected at our May meeting!

As June fast approaches, we always look forward to the annual convention but this year especially since Central Chapter (which St John's Council is part of) are the hosts this year. Laura Labetti and Nina DiCostanzo as chairpersons of this event along with their convention team, have been planning and organizing this event since last year to make this convention ONE OF THE BEST EVER!!

We will end our Columbiette year, the way we started it, with a party and plan to enjoy the summer days that are ahead of us.

On behalf of myself, my sister Columbiettes and all of the officers of St John's Council, we wish everyone a happy, safe and fun summer.

Roberta Elwell, PP, Publicity

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

BIG NEWS – Troop 1345 turned 10 years old!
Troop 1345 started up in 2008, and with the Knights of Columbus have spent 10 years mentoring, supporting, and developing over 120 young men from Dumont and neighboring towns. Some are still actively involved, some have moved onto other endeavors, and 24 young men have gone on to achieve scouting's highest rank – that of Eagle Scout.

We are proud to have been a part in all of their respective journeys! Special thanks to those who started things ten years ago – it was worth the effort to work with such fine young men – and look at how the troop has grown!

Also - Ray Ziemba of Crew 1345 hosted a CPR/AED class for the Knights of Columbus last month. 13 people attended, and 6 got certified to use the new AED located at the front entrance to the Knights hall. Ray will be conducting additional CPR/AED classes in May and June as part of his lifeguarding class for Dumont Swim Club.

Ray Ziemba, Asst. Scoutmaster

Respect Life Report

We have just celebrated Mother's Day. No one would be here without a mother. Thank God!

However today the world has turned into a gigantic "Selfy", thinking about Me, Myself and I. Have the words and actions of our Lord Jesus Christ been forgotten??

We need to stand up for the rights of the UNBORN. If we don't, I fear it is the end of the human race.

Matt Connell, DGK, Chairman