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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Families, and Friends,

I am addressing everyone in a little different way for my final Grand Knights Message. I am sure many of you recognize that welcome that is used by our incoming Grand Knight, Ken Armellino, when he makes our Council's call and post notifications to you.

I congratulate our incoming Officers, and can only ask that you continue your support for Ken, his Officers, and St. John's Council 1345. We cannot continue that great tradition of charity that identifies St. John's as one of the great Councils in The State of New Jersey without everyone's support and trust.

I thank everyone who ably assisted and guided me over the past two years - my Officers, the Officers of the Twin Boro Columbian Club, Tom Formoso, John Orsino, Mike Cremin, Michele Orsino, our District Deputy Chuck Hollis, and the Columbiettes, led by Laura Labetti. I needed every ounce of encouragement from all of you.

A special thank you to my wife, Pat. As Grand Knight, you are running two corporations, the Knights of Columbus and the Twin Boro Columbian Club. The amount of time needed to ensure our Council and Columbian Club handles its business including raising and distributing monies to those who need it, is enormous. As Grand Knight, you want to keep the spiritual and faith aspects of the Knights of Columbus paramount, but sometimes that is very difficult when you are worried about building maintenance, insurance issues, repairs, equipment replacement, and just paying the bills.

Pat, I love you and thank you for allowing me to do one of the things I love - being an active member of the Knights of Columbus and leading this great Council.

We do, did, and will continue to do great things here.

Vivat Jesus,

Steve Martin, Grand Knight

Council Officers 2018-2019

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:	Fr. Michael Barone	973-902-4815
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 Sec	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Inside Guard	(open)	
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	Carl Schmidhauser	201-286-2928

Council Chairmen 2018-2019

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Council Activities:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Council Reservation:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Family Activities:	Steve Martin, PGK	201-669-8236
Feeding Homeless:	George Corbo	201-450-1205
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
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	(open)	
Kitchen Chmn:	(open)	
President:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Purchasing Chmn:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Rentals Agent:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Secretary:	(open)	
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 Sciarrino	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 Merkovski	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 24, 2019

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		-Matt Connell
-Bill Horn		-Bill Connington, PGK
-John P. Mc Hugh		-Michael Curran
-Jack Marsigliano		-James Verdino
-Antonio Fundaro		-Al Taxter
-Dan Taylor		-Jim Whelan

Relatives & Friends

- Alice Oldfield, mother of Advocate Rich Oldfield**
- Billy Whelan, son of Jim Whelan
- Catherine Kelly, wife of Late Jim Kelly, Sr.
- Donna, Sister of Dr Geoffrey Sadock**
- Fr. Ray Filipski, priest at St. John's Church
- Grace Benson, wife of PGK Dave Benson.**
- 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 Rudolph, wife of the late Art Rudolph, PP, TBCC
- Mary Vostinar, mother of Kevin Vostinar;
- Nancy Myers, friend of the council
- Peter Dondero, son of PGK Bob Dondero;
- Rose Lotteman, relative of James McCarthy**
- 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 Licata;**

Relatives/Friends:

- Geraldine, neice of PGK G. DiCostanzo, FS.**
- Gerry Pedoto, Brother-in-law of John Orsino.**

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**.

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our members celebrating a birthday or special occasion in June.

Congratulations to our friend Russell Petrocelli, FM, elected at the convention for the office of State Warden, representing the Archdiocese of Newark.

Save the Date: Sept. 13, 2019 Bergen Federation Golf Outing at River Vale CC. More details to come.

Send a Hero Home for the Holidays. See flyer enclosed for all the details of a Yankee game promotion to help our service personnel serving in NJ.

Chancellor-Membership Report

Our final recruitment drive for the 2018-2019 year will be held Sunday, June 2 at the SMA Fathers Chapel.

Gentlemen- Let's make a deal. Let us invite a Catholic Gentleman every day to become a member of the world's largest Catholic, Charitable, Fraternal organization. The Knights of Columbus.

It is easy- Say to anyone you meet and ask Are you a member of the K of C? If not why not? Explain the tremendous benefits of the Knights. Let's make a deal and increase our membership which now can be done online. Just give him , KofC.Org/join us.

Let us continue to increase our membership as "*The strong Right Arm of the Catholic Church*".

Matt Connell, Membership

Financial Secretary Report

As we close out the 2018-2019 CY, I want to take this opportunity to wish each member and their families a very safe and enjoyable summer.

George Di Costanzo, FS,PGK

Respect Life Report

Gentlemen we are a PRO-LIFE organization. Obviously we are Anti Choice. I always get a kick out of the choice word. The baby has no choice. He or She is a human being created by a man and woman and GOD. Most people do not know the definition of abortion. 3 dictionaries give basically the same definition. They all use the term fetus instead of baby. We will use the term baby. Definitions:

The expulsion of a baby prematurely when unnatural miscarriage occurs. A miscarriage produced by artificial means, partial or complete arrest of development as in a baby, and intentional destruction of the (fetus) baby in the womb. Who ever thought the USA would be so inhumane..

To help the mothers who give birth rather than abortion and need help after giving birth. A suggestion- Bring disposable diapers, baby powder, cleansing pads, baby lotion, etc, to the Council. Anything that would relieve the mothers of expenses. We will donate all these to Several Sources, New Hope and Lighthouse pregnancy resource centers.

Matt Connell, Chairman

Friday Night Socials

"June is busting out all over" as we welcome June. We are back serving our regular complimentary snack menu, If a non-meat snack is needed, let me know early in the week. So come on down for an hour or more of friendship, and relaxation.

George Di Costanzo, FS, PGK

Our New Chaplain

I am pleased to announce that Father Michael Barone has accepted our invitation to become Chaplain of St .John's Council. 1345. We await formal confirmation from Cardinal Tobin of this assignment. *GK Steve Martin*

Seminarian Support

Remember our seminarian Moris Montoya in your prayers. Contact info for Moris: Immaculate Conception Seminary, Att: Moris Montoya, 400 So. Orange Ave, So. Orange, NJ 07079. Send him a note of encouragement. Include John March who also joined our Council.

G. DiCostanzo, FS, PGK

San Alfonso Retreat

July 12 - 14, 2019

Brothers, it's time to think about spending 3 days at the peaceful Retreat house of San Alfonso. As members of the Knights of Columbus, we follow in the footsteps of Jesus. But, sometimes we fall behind, and need to catch up.

The retreat does just that. It provides an opportunity to reconnect with Jesus in the serenity of San Alfonso in quiet meditation to close the gap between Jesus and you.

Brothers, it's also time to make your reservation. The cost this year is \$240.00 payable at the Retreat to me.

If a first floor is needed, let me know so I can make the reservation as rooms on first floor are limited. Please let me know by no later than June 30th if you are attending. Check-in is Friday at 4pm with dinner served at 6pm. Call me with any questions.

Tony Tulli, Chairman
732-608-0784

The Knight Times ***Best Newsletter in the State***



From left: Bob Hatler State Deputy, runners-up in newsletter contest, GK Steve Martin, and PGK G. DiCostanzo, Editor.

As editor of our newsletter, I was honored that the Knight Times was awarded First Place as best newsletter in the State. It's a great honor for our Council, especially happening at the State Convention.

PGK G. DiCostanzo, FS, Editor

St. John's Council Anniversary

It's that time of the year again - time to celebrate our 111th year as a Council! On Saturday June 22nd, we'll have an evening of fun and a few reminiscences from 7-11PM. We will also honor our outgoing Grand Knight Steve Martin. For dinner, we start with a cold Italian antipasto and move on to one of our most requested meals, our home-style turkey dinner, with salmon as an option. Salad, bread, coffee, tea, dessert and beverages are also included. The R&B Show will join us again as the entertainment for the evening. The cost is \$35 per person and reservations are required. Call or text Ken @ 516-220-9333 or email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com.

Brian O'Dowd, Chairman

Dates to Remember

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6pm.

Sat, June 1	Rental 6pm
June 5-8	St. Mary's Carnival, 6pm.
Thurs, June 6	<i>Ascension of Jesus</i> <i>D-Day - Fly your Flag</i> First Friday Rosary 6pm. St. Mary's
Fri, June 7	Rental - Honiss School
Mon, June 10	AARP meeting 10am Officer meeting 8pm.
Wed, June 12	TBCC meeting 8pm.
Fri, June 14	Rental - Bergenfield 6pm <i>Flag Day - Fly your Flag</i>
Sat, June 15	Rental - Capistrano 3pm.
Sun, June 16	<i>Father's Day</i>
Mon, June 17	Council meeting 8pm. Election & Scholarship Awards
Wed, June 19	Columbiette meeting 7:30pm.
Fri, June 21	Rental - Hampton 7pm. <i>Summer begins - Hoo Rah!</i>
Sat, June 22	111th Anniversary Party 7-11pm.
Sun, June 23	Rental - Lintag 5pm.
Fri, June 28	Rental - Jinky
Sat, June 29	Rental - Eagle Ceremony 2pm.
Sun, June 30	Rental - Ocampo 3pm.
Thurs, July 4	<i>Independence Day - Fly your Flag</i>
Fri, July 5	Council Closed - enjoy long weekend

Columbiettes Report

*"Cause it's Summer
Summer time is here
Yes, it's Summer
My time of year"
(War, 1976)*

We congratulate all of our officers who were elected at our May meeting, and we welcome our newest member, Grace Orlando, who took her first degree at our May meeting. The slate of Officer's for the 2019-2020 Columbiette year is as follows:

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

We can hardly believe it's June already and time for another Columbiette year to come to a close and that the annual Columbiette Convention is only a few weeks away.

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!

See you in September.... Roberta Elwell, Past Pres.

Troop 1345 Report

Troop 1345 had its annual bridging ceremony this past month, with 4 new scouts joining the Troop 1345 family.

Ray Ziemba, Crew 1345 Advisor

Preliminary Council Slate of Officers 2019-2020

- Grand Knight: Ken Armellino
- Deputy Grand Knight: Lauro Rivera, PGK
- Chancellor: Brian O'Dowd
- Warden: Kevin Sheridan
- Recorder: James McCarthy
- Inside Guard: Matthew Connell
- Outside Guard 1: Jim Callahan
- Outside Guard 2: Jim Hurley
- Trustee 3 year: Steve Martin, PGK

Elections will be held on Monday, June 17 at our regular meeting.

Preliminary TBCC Slate of Officers

- President: Tom Formoso
- Vice President: John Orsino
- Treasurer: George Prevete
- Secretary: (open)
- Trustee: Al Taxter
- Trustee: John Graham

Photo Gallery



Our hospitality room at the Convention after a long day. From left: Sheila Tulli, George & Nina. On the right: Diane Olivo, Patti & Steve Martin, FM & State Warden Elect Russ Petrocelli, and Tony Tulli.

4th Degree Meeting



From left: Vince Montagna with plaque for Sir Knight of the Year; FN Sam Iskander; FM & State Warden Elect Russell Petrocelli with Distinguished Service plaque. Congratulations. On the right: FM Russ Petrocelli & PGK G. DiCostanzo, FS celebrating his wedding day.

Faith in Action

On the first Friday of each month, St. Mary's Church has Eucharistic adoration following the 8:45AM Mass until 7PM. Adoration is a great time to just be with the Lord in a quiet setting. As Knights, our devotion to Mary, the mother of Jesus and the Queen of the Knights, is unending.

We will lead the rosary again during adoration starting at 6PM on Friday June 7th. Please join us in the lower church of St. Mary's, every first Friday at 6PM and put your faith into action. And don't forget to bring your rosary.

Brian O'Dowd