

# The Knight Times

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## MAY - 2012

# CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

Dear Knights, Columbiettes, Boy Scouts, and Squires:

Being that May is the month of Mary, I think we all should be reading the book "Our Land and our Lady". This Franciscan Tertiary and Great Navigator by the name of Christopher Columbus found OUR GREAT LAND but it was with the help of MARY.

Every night on the Santa Maria, the sailors sung the SALVE REGINA. He, Christopher Columbus, was so much OUR LADY'S that he wore her initials into his signature. It is really impossible to begin to think about the True History of our country without thinking of the "SANTA MARIA". Yes, that was in 1492 but in 2012 we have the "KNIGHTS TOWER" in the capital of Our Land (USA), next to the SHRINE OF OUR LADY (Our Land and Our Lady).

That Great Navigator, Christopher Columbus, never realized that in 400 years a very Holy Priest in St. Mary's (New Haven) was to form an organization to bear his name. That organization, THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, is the Largest Catholic Lay Organization in the MYSTICAL BODY OF CHRIST (the Church).

The State Council of THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS always had and is having the State Convention again in the month of OUR LADY and certainly in OUR LAND.

Vivat Jesus, Fr. John F. Murray, SMA Chaplain and State Father Prior Emeritus of the Columbian Squires

# **GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:**

Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Squires, & Scouts,

As May approaches, we have finished most of our year's projects and are getting ready for the changing of the guard. Past Grand Knight Dave Benson, chairman of the nominating committee, has completed his job in creating a new slate of officers for the next Columbian year. I want to thank him for a job well done.

Our recruitment drive at St. Mary's Church, which was scheduled for April  $21^{st}$  and 22nd was cancelled due to a conflict with our Collection Drive For Persons with Intellectual Disabilities, which was held April 19 – 22. I beg your pardon for the confusion, but it was necessary for the change to conserve manpower. The new dates for the recruitment drive are Saturday, May  $26^{th}$ , and Sunday, May  $27^{th}$ . Please get in contact with our Worthy Chancellor Chuck Hollis for times that you can help out. I would also like to thank Father Dominic for his cooperation in the matter.

Please remember to call PGK Steve Martin to help out at the rentals this month. We have a good amount of rentals and much help is needed.

Come pray the rosary on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. Brother George Corbo and his wife our Sister Columbiette Francine do a wonderful job in leading us in prayer that is much needed in today's world.

Not much more is going on this month. Please come out and march in the Memorial Day Parades this year. Dumont's parade starts at 10:00 a.m. and Bergenfield's parade starts at 2:00 p.m. Let's have a good turnout to show how strong our council is. Please keep all our sick and distressed members in your prayers that Almighty God will watch over them. May God Bless you all, and may He Bless #1345.

Vivat Jesus, Louís Pídí, Grand Knight.

#### 2011-2012 Officers, Chairmen, Directors, & Auxiliaries of the Family of St. John's Council #1345

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## Sick & Wake Report – as of April 18, 2012.

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

Members		
Alfredo Mariano	Jack O'Brien	
Dick Dorozynski	Fred Jacobsen, PGK	
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Frank McCoo	Walter Boettger	
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John McKay	Joe Devaney	
Mario Santos	Brian O'Dowd	
Charles Dietz	Dan Markert, Sr.	

#### **Relatives & Friends**

Ann Taxter, wife of Al Taxter; Ann Marsigliano, sister of Jack Marsigliano; Ben, nephew of Dom Panfile; Dianne Malesky, wife of Ken Malesky; Dorothy, wife of Charlie Dietz Ed & Norma McCabe, parents of Cathy McCabe, a Columbiette. Francine Corbo, wife of George Corbo; Herta Nelson, mother in law of Ed Trawinski; Jonathan Jacobi, grandson of the late PGK Frank Messina; Lesa Rossmann, wife of Charlie Rossman & a Columbiette; Millie Graziano, sister-in-law of the late Art Rudolph; Mona, wife of Tom O'Brien; Nicole Cafarelli, niece of Bob Wrightington; Peggy Keating, wife of late Timothy Keating Robert Segda, father-in-law of Tom Schmidt. Jack Fredericks, son of Phil Fredericks; Frank Grana, brother-in-law of Linda Grana;

#### Wakes

Ed Menzer, piano player friend of Council Robert W. Hilcken, father of Keith Hilcken; Deidre Gilligan, friend of John McGill; Timothy Keating; Eleanor, wife of John McHugh, & mother of John McHugh, Jr;

Pray for Staff Sgt. Joseph D'Augustine, a 29-year old Marine hero killed in Afghanistan.

#### **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 three (3) ways to reserve your place or table:

1. <u>Reply form</u> at the bottom of the flyer enclosed with our newsletters. And you can include your check payment too. This is the preferred method.

2. Email reservations to: kofc1345reservations@gmail.com. Leave name, phone # and names of guests.

3. Call 201-387-9750; let it ring until you hear menu and press #3. Leave your name, phone #, and names of guests.

## From the News Desk

*Birthday wishes* to our members celebrating a birthday in MAY or a special occasion, especially Gerry Flood May 14, Carmine Grillo May 21, Joseph Welsh May 26.

*Healthy Food Notes*: FISH: protects your heart, boosts memory, combats cancer, and supports immune system.

News from the Catholic League:

-99.98% of priests are innocent of sexual abuse, but never reported as such in the media;

- "October Baby" is one of the most provocative Pro-Life films of all time, and is a 'must see' if you can catch it at a movie near you. -Bishops launch a Religious Liberty Campaign. The bishops, under the leadership of Cardinal Timothy Dolan, have chosen a two-week period, June 21 to July 4, to rally Catholics to participate in this religious liberty campaign. Stay tuned...more to come.

#### **Church Activities Report**

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm. The next rosary is May 9, 2012. Refreshments served afterwards. George Corbo, Church Activities

## Prayer for the Month

Do not be afraid Mary, for you have found favor with God. You will conceive in your womb and bear a Son, and you shall name Him Jesus. (Luke 1:30-31).

Father, You prepared the Virgin Mary to be the worthy mother of Your Son. Help us by her prayers to live in Your presence without sin.

# Saint's Corner

*St. Damien of Molokai – U.S. 1840-1889; Feast May 10.* St. Damien is known as the "Apostle of the Lepers." He answered the call to Molokai, the Hawaiian leper colony, and served the physical, medical and spiritual needs of the lepers. He eventually contracted, and died of, the disease.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN.

#### **Financial Secretary Report**

*Dues:* The 4<sup>th</sup> notice – "*Intent to Suspend*" notice was mailed in mid-April to delinquent dues members. This is the absolute last opportunity for those members to pay up and retain their years of service. Suspension means you lose your years of service. Calls will be coming from the District Deputy, and possibly from a representative from the State.

#### PGK George DiCostanzo, FS.

#### Membership & Recruitment Activities

We held our spring recruitment drive during the weekend of April 14 and 15, 2012 at St. John's Church. It was a successful event with the signing up of 8 new prospects. I would like to thank all of those who assisted on that day, for without your help it would not have been possible.

Our next recruitment drive will be on the weekend of May 26 and 27, 2012. Again I am asking for help from all of my brother Knights with this important event. Email me with your availability, cth120@gmail.com.

We will be holding our 3<sup>rd</sup> degree on Friday June 8, 2012. It is a special evening for all of those who attend especially our 3<sup>rd</sup> degree candidates. Come on down and support your council and candidates that night.

The next 1<sup>st</sup> degree will be on May 8, 2012 and 2<sup>nd</sup> on June 5, 2012. If there are any 1<sup>st</sup> degree members interested in taking their 2<sup>nd</sup> degree, let me know.

On a personal note; I would like to thank all of you for your prayers and well wishes during my time in the hospital and while recovering at home. While some say they are only words we know better and just to know that I had this extended family out there pulling for me was a feeling I will not soon forget. Thank you all.

Charles Hollis, Chancellor, 201-314-8599.

#### 2012-2013 Nominating Committee

The slate of officers for next year has been selected as follows: -Grand Knight: John E. McGill -Deputy Grand Knight: Charles Hollis -Chancellor: Carmine Grillo -Warden: Lauro Rivera -Recorder: Brian O'Dowd -Treasurer: Bill Horn -Advocate: (open) -Inside Guard: Exequiel Osdana -Outside Guard: Kevin Sheridan -Outside Guard: Ed Kostka -Trustee 1yr: Bill Bochicchio -Trustee 2yr: Tom Trank -Trustee 3yr: Steve Martin

## PGK Dave Benson, Chairman

## Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

Boy Scout Troop 1345 bridged in seventeen (17) new scouts on April 15. A bridging ceremony is the "official" transition ceremony when a Cub Scout "bridges" over to a Boy Scout troop. Troop 1345 now proudly has 42 active scouts in the program.



These new scouts will venture out on their first camping trip with Troop 1345 this May at Camp Lewis (Rockaway, NJ).

Domenic Fierro's Eagle Court of Honor is April 29. Domenic is the third Eagle Scout to come out of Troop 1345.

Ray Ziemba, Troop Counselor

#### Scholarship Report

Amount of awards and value to be discussed by scholarship committee in May. Random selection of applicants to be done at the June 4 meeting. Distribution of awards at the June 18 meeting. *PGK George DiCostanzo, Chairman* 

#### Daily Mass

My friends, sometimes we need help in our lives. I've found anInternet site we can use anytime.

If you key in Daily Mass into your browser, it brings up many sites. I like this one from the Boston area...look for "Daily Mass". Watch on line 24/7 daily Mass from the Chapel of Holy Cross @Catholic TV any time day or night you can hear that day's mass in 28 minutes,

with a different Boston area priest each day.

While EWTN and Telcare are on the TV every day, you can watch this on your computer. If you can't find it, call us at 201-387-9750 and select menu option #1 and let us know. Leave your name, phone number, and a brief message about help for 'daily mass'. We'll try to get you the site and call you back.

PGK Tom Trank, Trustee

## Dates to Remember

Boy Scout Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:00pm.

Tues, May 1	St. Joseph the Worker;
Thur, May 3	Setup 7pm
Fri, May 4	Rental – Selzer School 7pm – Council Closed.
	Setup – 9pm Lounge (special);
Sat, May 5	Rental – 1pm-5pm;
, J	Setup – 5pm (special);
Sun, May 6	Rental – 2pm-6pm;
Mon, May 7	Council meeting 8pm;
Wed, May 9	Rosary hour 8pm;
Thurs, May 10	Setup 7pm;
Fri, May 11	Columbiette DooWop show 7pm;
Sat, May 12	Setup – 12pm (special)
•	Rental – 7pm-11pm;
Sun, May 13	Mother's Day;
Mon, May 14	Officer meeting 8pm;
Wed, May 16	Columbiette meeting 8pm;
Thurs, May 17	Feast of the Ascension – Holyday of obligation.
	Setup 7pm;
May 18-19	Convention Wildwood
Sat, May 19	Rental 4pm-8pm;
-	Setup 8pm (special);
Sun, May 20	Rental – 1pm-5pm;
Mon, May 21	Council meeting 8pm;
Tues, May 22	Newsletter mailing 10am;
Sun, May 27	Pentecost Sunday (end of Easter obligation);
Mon, May 28	Memorial Day – Fly the Flag;
	-Dumont Parade 10am;
	-Bergenfield Parade 2pm;
Tues, May 29	TBCC meeting 8pm;
Thurs, May 31	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin;
	Setup 7pm;
Sat, June 2	Rental 2pm-6pm;
Fri. June 8	Third Degree – COUNCIL CLOSED.

## Columbiette Report

*Friday, May 11, 2012 "The Neighborhood"*, 7:00pm - 11:00pm (doors open @ 6:30 pm). This big band returns to Dumont for a command performance at our annual 50s/60s Dinner/Dance. Tickets are \$27.00 pp, which includes: Live 50s Band, sandwiches, salads, chips, dessert, coffee/tea, and beverage. For reservations or additional information, contact Laura at: labetti250@optonline.net - or - Joan at: 201.696.1159. Please make checks payable to St. John's Columbiettes # 1345 & send to: Laura Labetti, Financial Secretary, St. John's Columbiettes #1345, 250 Dixon Ave. Dumont, NJ 07628 \*\*\* ADVANCED RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED \*\*

*May Meeting: Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.* – On the agenda is voting for our slate of officers for the 2012-2013 Columbiette year. Also, we are contemplating hosting a First Degree as we have several candidates for membership. If you know of anyone who might like to join us, please call VP, Donna Fredericks @ 551.427.7180 *Joan Winant. Secretary / Publicity* 

#### **Prayer for Vocations**

"Heavenly Father, your Divine Son taught us to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His vineyard.

We earnestly beg you to bless our Archdiocese and our world with many priest and religious who will love you fervently and gladly and courageously spend their lives in service to your Son's Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Bless our families and our children and choose from our homes those whom You desire for this holy work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen". At writing of this newsletter, about 50 ladies were expected to attend this "comeback event". Report in the June newsletter. *Nina DiCostanzo, 201-338-2617; Nina Messina, 201-385-2794.* 

#### Hungry & Homeless

The feeding was held on Wed, April 25. Report next month. John E. McGill, Chairman 201-384-7511

#### San Alfonso Retreat

Start thinking about a retreat for yourself. Call Tony Tulli at 732-608-0784 if you wish more information. Retreat is scheduled for weekend of August 10-12, 2012.

# Lecturer Program

Next lecturer program is May 21 at about 9pm. Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Chairman

#### **Columbian Club Report**

*Rental Catering:* Dates are available for bookings September 2012 through June 2013. If you are planning a party, we simply ask that you consider our facility as a possibility.



(Dining Hall, New Year's Eve Party, Dec. 2011)

I invite you to visit our Council on Friday evenings between 8-10pm when I'm available to show you the hall and facility, and discuss details of your event. <u>Please call ahead to set up the meeting</u>, <u>so I know you're coming</u>. We're located at 61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628.

Call me at 201-338-2617 and give us a chance to make a proposal. We promise (3) things: quality food, quality service, and an affordable price.

PGK George DiCostanzo, Rental Chairman

## Collection Drive for Disabled Persons "Shake the Can" Drive

The collection drive was held the last week in April. A report on the results will be in our June newsletter. If you were able to help with the collection, thank you.

## **Business Services Directory.**

*Business Owner Members*...add your name to a growing list of member Knights offering their services to our membership.

Send business name, contact, phone, email, type of business and service you provide. Mail to: Business List, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628.

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