



The Knight Times

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MAY, 2018



Grand Knight's Message

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

Every day, week and month seems to fly by. Here we are approaching the end of another Columbian Year. The Council and our Columbian Club have already made substantial donations to local charities, including the Food Banks for the Boroughs of Bergenfield and Dumont. Our Council, the fifth largest in the State of New Jersey, continues its legacy of assisting our friends, neighbors, community and churches. We can't do it without all of you.

The rental of our Council Hall continues to provide funds for the upkeep of our home and provides funds for donations for our charities and churches. We have numerous rentals May and June. We need your help to man these events as servers, dishwashers, and bartenders. Please answer the call (or text) of our Columbian Club- Michele Orsino (servers), Frank Fundaro (cooking teams), Frank Gallacher (bartenders) and Tony O' Hare (dishwashers).

Our Special Children's Dance was a huge success. The R&B Band rocked the house and everyone I spoke with said the band and the evening was great. Thanks to your support, we will be making donations to our "Special Children's Charities" in our area.

As I write this I can report our Shake the Can Drive netted over \$7,000 in collections due to all our volunteer's efforts. I will report to everyone next month the exact amount we raised. Again your efforts allow us to make substantial donations to our charities who assist the mentally and physically handicapped. I thank everyone for their help in making the Shake the Can Drive a huge success.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday June 30th, 2018- C+10 Celebration. Join us as we celebrate the Council's 110th Birthday.

Vivat Jesus,

Steve Martin, Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

On Easter Sunday, I had the privilege of traveling to Lourdes France as part of the annual pilgrimage of the ASCPG Special Needs Children. The entire pilgrimage was a great celebration of faith and the very special pilgrims who were the reason for the trip reminded me of the complete trust a young girl placed in our Blessed Mother.

The message Mary gave to Bernadette was quite simple. Mary asked her to pray, especially to pray the Rosary. To pray for the conversion of souls and the forgiveness of sins. This is the message that St. Bernadette shares with all of us; that we too are called to pray the Rosary.

As we enter into the month of May, a month traditionally devoted to our Blessed Mother, we know so many youngsters who will soon celebrate First Holy Communion and most parishes will celebrate a traditional May Crowning. Let these celebrations remind us of Mary's message to a simple young girl in a small Grotto in southern France. A message that calls us all to pray the Rosary and to trust that Mary is always there for us, her children.

Vivat Jesus,

Rev. Stephen Carey, Chaplain

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

Columbiette'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 April 26, 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;
- Rose Vorhees, aunt of Darcy Gallacher, wife of PGK Frank.
- 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:

-Edward Breslin;

Relatives & Friends:

-none.

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 MAY.

FYI - The Council has purchased and installed a brand new defibrillator for our facility for use with cardiac issues. Our first CPR training class was held in April. If you wish to learn CPR, call Ken at 516-220-9333 to sign-up.

Chancellor-Membership

Congratulations to our newly installed SIR KNIGHTS who took their 4th degree in April...Sir Knights Frank Uvenio, Al Taxter, Arturo Ilano, Richard Donadio, Adrian Miller and Justin Miller.

Ken Armellino, Chancellor 516-220-9333

Financial Secretary Report

The Retention Committee is currently making phone calls to our delinquent dues members. Unfortunately, next step is suspension from the Order.

George Di Costanzo, FS,PGK

Feeding the Homeless

St. John's Council fed the homeless on April 11th, 2018 at the Hackensack Shelter. I am proud to report that we have returned our Council to this very important mission. We fed about 90-95 people who needed our help.

Thanks to John Scalice, John Orsino, and John Graham for prepping our food and to my Brothers led by DGK Matt Connell and Bill Bochicchio PGK for travelling to Hackensack to serve the food.

Steve Martin, PGK

Friday Night Socials

Look for our weekly "specials" flyers by email or callingpost phone calls. Come on down to the newly refreshed Council for fellowship, talk and a beverage with another member, watch sports, play games....pool, darts, and our newest game....shuffle board. Enjoy our complimentary snack.

PGK G. DiCostanzo, FS, Pres TBCC

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

Our Collection Drive this year netted \$7197.50. Sadly we were unable to cover half of our store locations. The good news is that the Street collection was fully covered this year.

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped out.

Steve Martin, GK, 201-669-8236

George DiCostanzo, FS PGK, 201-338-2617

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

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.

Save the date - Saturday June 30th, for an evening of fun, reminiscences, and presentations.

We will also honor our immediate Past Grand Knight Frank Gallacher that night.

Brian O'Dowd, Event Chairman

Seven Keys to Life

- 1. God first.**
- 2. Love one another**
- 3. Never hate**
- 4. Give generously**
- 5. Live simply**
- 6. Forgive quickly**
- 7. Be kind always**

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.

Thurs, May 3	Set-up 7pm.
Fri, May 4	Friday Social 8pm.
Sat, May 5	Rental - 7pm, 100 anny of Bgfld Library
Thurs, May 10	Set-up 7pm. Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord
Fri, May 11	Friday Social 8pm
Sat, May 12	Rental 5:30pm
Sun, May 13	Mother's Day
Mon, May 14	Council Officer meeting 8pm AARP meeting 10am.
Wed, May 16	Columbiette meeting 7:30pm
Thurs, May 17	Set-up 7pm
Fri, May 18	Friday Social 8pm.
May 18-19	NJ State Convention
Sat, May 19	Rental - 4pm, Christian Overcomers
Sun, May 20	Set-up & Rental - 1pm. Pentecost Sunday
Mon, May 21	Council meeting 8pm.
Tues, May 22	Pride in Priests Dinner
Fri, May 25	Friday Social 8pm.
Sun, May 27	Feast of the Most Holy Trinity
Mon, May 28	Memorial Day - Fly your Flag
Thurs, May 31	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

The Club continues to flourish with its new look and the many rentals that we have on the schedule. The rentals provide the income to pay for the building expenses. But Brothers, we need more help as our existing help continues to age older.

Here is the help we need:

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

-Servers/Waiters - we need volunteers to serve food to the guests. We cannot do self-serve when the client is buying that service from us.

-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

"Finish cleaning up your room, Let's see that dust fly with that broom, get all the garbage out of sight or you don't go out Friday Night....Yakety yak, (don't talk back)."

(The Coasters, 1958)

We wish a Happy Mother's day to all of our Columbiettes who are Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers and Aunts. The month of May is very eventful as we also celebrate Cinco de Mayo Day, Communion, May Crowning's and May Day

celebrations. Also, we say congratulations to Genine Armellino for making her Major Degree in April!

Just a reminder, our May 17 meeting is an important one.....Voting for our officers! The nominations were made at our April meeting and now is the time we VOTE! Please try to attend this very important meeting. Remember meetings start at 7:30pm.

Wishing everyone a lovely month of May!

Roberta Elwell, PP, Publicity

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

No Report.

Ray Ziembra, Asst. Scoutmaster

Respect Life Report

ADOPT do not Abort. The biggest form of child abuse is ABORTION

At one time this great country of ours, the US of A was a world leader in defending human rights. I cannot say that today. Babies are not considered human- therefore no rights.

I just do not understand how we, the USA has sunk to this level of aborting over 48 MILLION babies since 1973 over a million per year.

Gentlemen- Let us pray for the unborn, their mothers and fathers and our country.

Matt Connell, DGK, Chairman

Photo Gallery



GK Steve Martin, and other members, working the annual collection drive for Intellectually Disabled Persons.

Count your Blessings

*Count your blessings, instead of your crosses;

*Count your gains, instead of your losses;

*Count your joys, instead of your woes;

*Count your friends, instead of your foes;

*Count your smiles, instead of your tears;

*Count your courage, instead of your fears;

*Count your full years, instead of your lean;

*Count your kind deeds, instead of your mean;

*Count your health, instead of your wealth;

*Count on God, instead of yourself.