



The Knight Times

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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Families, and Friends,

November is traditionally a time for Thanksgiving, so with that I would like to offer my thanks to all those who have been supportive of the Council, past and present. Without the time and resources many of you provide, we would cease to exist here, and as a result the good works we do would come to an end. No matter what role any of you play, in the end it goes to benefit our charitable works. I encourage you as you celebrate Thanksgiving this year, do not hesitate to stop to contemplate all you have to be Thankful for.

On Friday November 8 at a very special Friday Night Social at the Council, we will give thanks to those Veterans that have served so selflessly for our country. Please consider coming down to join us.

Vivat Jesus,

Kenneth Armellino

Grand Knight

Chaplain Message

No report this month. Fr. Roache is on vacation at this time.

Praise be Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA

Chaplain

Vocations Prayer

"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".

Keep Christ in Christmas Program

Street Banners: Look for our KCIC street banners at St. Mary's Church in Dumont, and St. John's Church in Bergenfield.

Nativity Creche - Look for our Christmas Creche in Dumont on Washington Ave at Police Headquarters, right next to the Time Clock and Bulletin Board.

"Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets are available at \$5.00 each. If you want one, call PGK George Di Costanzo at 201-338-2617. The blessing of the creche will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 7:30pm.

"Keep Christ in Christmas" lawn signs. If you have one from last year, display it when you wish. New signs are being printed and will be distributed at the churches and the mission chapel when available.

Council Officers 2019-2020

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:	Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA	201-567-0450
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Trustee 1 yr.	Frank Gallacher, PGK,PFN	201-957-2683
Trustee 2 yr.	Al Taxter	201-519-7436
Trustee 3 yr	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
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Insurance Agent	Carl Schmidhauser	201-286-2928
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Council Chairmen 2019-2020

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:		
Council Activities:		
Council Reservation:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Family Activities:		
Feeding Homeless:	George Corbo	201-450-1205
Murray Scholarship	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
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Newsletter Editor:	G. Di Costanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Parish Roundtable:	Ken Armellino, GK	516-220-9333
Program Director:	Larry Rivera, PGK	201-315-0456
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Respect for Life:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
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Retreat:	Tony Tulli	732-608-0784
Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Sick & Wake:	Bob DeWald	201-384-2259
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Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers 2019-2020

President:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
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Trustee:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
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Columbiette's Officer's 2019-2020

President:	Laura Labetti	201-788-5971
Vice-President:	Jill Moriarty	201-280-6667
Secretary:	Janet Maniscalco	201-417-0999
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BOY SCOUTS – Troop #1345 / Crew #1345 – 2019-2020

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 Oct. 21, 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
- Steven Petraglia***
- William Borrows
- Dick Dorozynski
- Jim Mc Entee***
- Brendan Thornton
- Bill Horn***
- John P. Mc Hugh***
- Al Taxter***
- Jim Whelan
- John McGill, PGK***
- Dave Benson, PGK***
- Nick Albano
- Scott Manno, PGK
- Larry Rivera, PGK***
- Matt Connell
- Bill Connington, PGK
- Antonio Fundaro***
- Dan Taylor***
- Frank Uvenio***

Relatives & Friends

- Billy Whelan, son of Jim Whelan
- Catherine Kelly, wife of Late Jim Kelly, Sr.
- Donna, Sister of Dr Geoffrey Sadock
- Fr. Pat Donohue, Priest at St. Mary's Church***
- Fr. Ray Filipski, priest at St. John's Church***
- Joan Winant, Columbiette, Past President***
- 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 the late Jack Marsigliano
- Marge English, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Maria Melendez, wife of Juan Melendez.
- Marie, mother of State Warden Russ Petrocelli.
- Maritza Melendez, daughter of Juan Melandez
- Mary Vostinar, mother of Kevin Vostinar;
- Pauline Scalice, Columbiette, sister of John Scalice.***
- Peter Dondero, son of PGK Bob Dondero;
- Rose Lotteman, aunt of James McCarthy.
- Rose O'Shea, friend from St. Mary's Church;
- Rose Ortaglia, mother-in-law of James McCarthy***
- 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 (Jack) Long; Jim Moriarty; John Licata; Tom Trank, PGK, PCC President, & Trustee;***
 Relatives/Friends: ***Andy Knott, brother of Bob Knott; John McKenna, former member.***

Seminarian Support

Remember our seminarians Moris Montoya and John March in your prayers.

Contact info for Moris & John: Immaculate Conception Seminary, Att: (*their name*), 400 So. Orange Ave, So. Orange, NJ 07079.

Nov. 3-9 is National Vocations Awareness Week. Sending a note to our two seminarians would be encouraging to them.
G. DiCostanzo, FS, PGK

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our members celebrating a birthday or special occasion in November. Especially our friend and current State Warden Russell Petrocelli Nov. 2; Al Taxter Nov. 3. Tony Tulli Nov. 3; Ed Covino Nov. 17.

First Friday Rosary: next Rosary on Nov. 1, 5pm, at St. Mary's Church in Dumont. *Note: Time Change*

Chancellor-Membership Report

As you read this, we have completed recruiting at St. Mary's and St. John's churches and will be at the SMA on Sun, Nov 10th. To follow up on these recruiting efforts, the Council will have an open house on Sunday November 17th from 2-4PM. The open house can also be an opportunity for you to invite a friend down to visit and see how they can fulfill their need to do something too enhance their faith, and fulfill their need as a Catholic to do more.

If you can help with recruiting at the SMA, please contact me either by phone or email – 201-385-2859 or recruiting@oncontact.net. If I don't answer when you call, please leave a message.

And remember to ask your friends – are you a Knight?

Congratulations to **Gino De Jesus** who took his Formation Degree last month.

Brian O'Dowd, Membership

Financial Secretary Report

In order to maintain our charitable works, amidst a declining membership, an increase of our Council dues is necessary.

The new rate is \$37.00/year, an increase of \$2.00. Students \$20.00/year. Honorary members remain the same. See the By-Laws revision within this newsletter.

George Di Costanzo, FS,PGK

Respect Life Report

If someone or something attacks or says things against my Roman Catholic faith and it's beliefs, I must defend the faith our Lord Jesus Christ gave us i.e our Roman Catholic Faith.

Our Faith is being attacked by a political party. That party says what we believe in is immoral. That is to protect the life of an unborn human being- a defenseless baby. Abortion is NOT a constitutional right- LIFE is a constitutional right. I personally believe it is a moral obligation to vote for a PRO-LIFE candidate in the next election. AMEN

Matt Connell, Chairman

Fly the Flag

The State Council K of C encourages all Councils and their members to fly our flag year round to increase the knowledge, understanding of, and promotion of the proper displaying, respect and care of our national flag.

By displaying our flag at these troubled times, will help renew and increase every American to show their patriotic feelings. And help keep us, **ONE NATION UNDER GOD**.
Special days in November to fly the flag:

-Election Day - Nov. 5; Marine Corps Birthday - Nov. 10; Veteran's Day - Nov. 11; Thanksgiving Day - Nov. 28.

Knight of the Month

It is my distinct honor to recognize Robert Feigle for the month of October. If you have been to the Council for a Friday Night Social in the last 6 months, chances are he

prepared the snack you enjoyed. But Bob does 10 times more behind the scenes: keeping the hall clean and organized, tending bar, serving at rentals, and anything else that is asked of him as well as many things that are not. Please when you see Bob thank him for his efforts.

Volunteers Needed

Many of those who we used to rely on to volunteer are no longer able to help, so we are in need of new volunteers to help with Council events and Columbian Club rentals. If you are able and interested to assist with bartending, cooking, dishwashing, serving, setups, or other various activities, please submit your name to KofC1345reservations@gmail.com. No experience is necessary for any of these positions, just an interest in volunteering. Thank you.

Children's Christmas Party

On Sunday December 8 from 2PM-5PM we will host our annual Children's Christmas Party. There will be music, games, and a visit from a special North Pole resident. We will be serving hot dogs, chicken nuggets, french fries, juice and soda for the kids. Cash bar will be available for the adults.

A \$5 donation per person is suggested. RSVP REQUIRED by calling or texting Ken A. at 516-220-9333 or emailing KofC1345Reservations@gmail.com.

Lecture Series

The lecture series will resume prior to our regularly scheduled Council Meeting on Nov. 18. The lecture will begin at 7PM.

We will be fortunate to hear from our Chaplain Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA regarding the Society of African Missions and his work with them. The lecture is open to the public and light refreshments will be served. At 8PM we will close the Chambers for our meeting.

By-laws Change

At our October meeting we had the first reading of a resolution that will increase our annual dues \$2 per year for our members. While we do not like having to increase our dues, increasing costs of all aspects of running the Council have made it unavoidable.

We thank you for your understanding, and remind you to please pay your dues promptly, as much time and money is spent when we have to follow up with delinquencies.

If you have any hardships impacting your ability to pay, please contact the Grand Knight. All inquiries are kept confidential.

Handicapped Accessibility

As many of you know, the Accessible entrance to our Council is via the parking lot doors. For numerous reasons we no longer leave that door propped open or unlocked. If you require access through this door and it is locked, we have installed a doorbell. Please ring the bell and someone will come to assist you.

Also, if you would like to attend any of our meetings or events, but are no longer able to drive or otherwise attend on your own, please let the Grand knight know and we will do our best to make accommodations for you.

Ken Armellino, Grand Knight

Dates to Remember
Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6pm.

Fri, Nov 1	<i>All Saints Day - holy day of obligation</i> Rosary at St. Mary's 5pm. TIME CHANGE
Sat, Nov 2	<i>All Souls Day</i> Rental - 5pm Gooney Birds
Sun, Nov 3	<i>Daylight Savings Time ends; Fall Back 1 hour.</i>
Mon, Nov 4	Council Officer mtg, 8pm.
Fri, Nov. 8	Friday Social - Honoring Veteran's
Sat, Nov 9	Rental 7pm.
Sun, Nov 10	Recruiting Drive at SMA - all masses
Mon, Nov 11	<i>Veteran's Day - Flag the Flag</i> AARP mtg 10am Council Memorial Mass 8pm
Tues, Nov 12	Admission Degree - Westwood 7pm.
Fri, Nov 15	Rental - 7pm.
Sat, Nov 16	Rental - Senior Luncheon - 12pm.
Sun, Nov 17	4th Degree Exemplification - LaNeve's Rest.
Mon, Nov 18	Lecture Series - Our Chaplain - 7pm. Council General Mtg, 8pm.
Wed, Nov 20	Columbiettes mtg, 7:30pm.
Fri, Nov. 22	<i>BF Mtg, Ridgefield Council</i>
Wed, Nov 27	TBCC mtg. 8pm
Thurs, Nov 28	<i>Thanksgiving Day - Pray & Flag the Flag</i>
Sat, Nov 29	Christmas Decorating - Council & Town
Sat, Dec 7	<i>Pearl Harbor Day</i> Council Adult Christmas Party 7pm.

Columbiettes Report

*Leaves are falling all around, It's time I was on my way
Thanks to you, I'm much obliged, For such a pleasant stay
But now it's time for me to go, The autumn moon lights my way.*
(Led Zeplin, 1969)

November, a month where we remember, reconnect, and give thanks.

The Knights will be having a Memorial Mass on November 11 where we remember our Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes who have passed during the current year. The mass will be at the council hall starting at 7:30pm.

It is also our Columbiette Retention Month, where we hope many of our Sister Columbiettes who we have not seen for a while, for whatever reasons, will come to our November meeting on November 20. We are planning on having a **Sip and Paint** event at this meeting. As I am writing this article before our November meeting, details will be coming to you regarding this event via e mail, facebook, and by Sister Columbiettes letting others know the old fashioned way.....CALLING THEM and telling them all about it!

We also this month give thanks to Fr. Michael Barone who has agreed to be our Chaplain. We welcome Fr. Barone and look forward to his spiritual inspirations that he will bring to our monthly meetings.



The end of the month brings us the wonderful holiday of Thanksgiving....we should always give thanks for what we have and pray for those who are in need.

**Come, Lord Jesus, our guest to be
And bless these gifts
Bestowed by Thee.**

**And bless our loved ones everywhere,
And keep them in Your loving care.**
"Wishing everyone a very Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving".

Roberta Elwell, PP, Publicity

Memorial Mass for Deceased Members

On Monday November 11th, we will remember our deceased Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes during the annual *Mass of Remembrance* at 8PM at the Council. We'll also recognize those who have passed away over the last year. Family members or close friends of recently departed Knights and Columbiettes are invited to participate in the rose ceremony during the liturgy. This evening is open to everyone and coffee & cake will be served after mass. If you're planning to attend, this is a perfect opportunity to foster fraternity and invite a friend to come along.

Brian O'Dowd, Chairman

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Report

As I mentioned in last month's report, we have come a long way in a little over two years. Thank you to all the officers who have served under George DiCostanzo, John Orsino and myself as well as everyone who volunteers more than I wish they needed but always step up and fill in. Please we need everyone who hasn't volunteered or it's been a while, to get involved and help your fellow brothers and sisters who give more than their share of time every time they are called upon.

With everyone who has helped at rentals, we were able to pay off our line of credit amount of \$27,500 in full on October 18th. This was directly possible because of the increase in rentals due to the improvements in building enhancements, updates to meet fire and safety codes as well as new equipment. Referrals and rentals from guests at previous parties are rolling in.

Moving forward, we should be able to budget money into savings each month and use it as needed when the time and need arises. Next on the agenda is a three section sink in the kitchen as well as a hand sink in the game room for workers to wash up before and during serving. On the list after that is new refrigeration in the bar since the ones we have are beginning to fail.

Save the New Years Eve flyer and book your reservations for a very reasonably priced, extensive menu, open bar and live entertainment evening close to home!

Please give me a call today at 201-707-9890 and let me know how you'd like to get involved.

Tom Formoso, President, 201-707-9890

New Year's Eve Party

December 31st from 8PM-1AM we will be hosting our New Year's Eve party with **The R&B Show** to ring in the new year dancing to all your favorites from 40's big band selections to today's top hits. Only \$95 per person includes passed hot hors d'oeuvres, carving station, buffet dinner with choice of 8 different entrees, assorted dessert bar, coffee, tea, and a midnight champagne toast. Watch the ball drop with us on the big screen in our dining room this year! Open bar all night.

RSVP REQUIRED by calling or texting Ken A. at 516-220-9333 or email kofc1345Reservations@gmail.com.

ADVANCE PAYMENT required. Make check payable to Twin-Boro Columbian Club and mail to Ken Armellino, 60 Dance Blvd, Dumont, NJ 07628. **PAY BY 11/30 and SAVE \$10 per person.**