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Grand Knight's Message

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

The fall season is upon us and with it brings new challenges and a full and robust calendar of events which I hope will energize all of us, both socially and spiritually. To meet these challenges and to continue to fulfill the vision of our Founder, Father Michael McGivney, my officers and I need your help.

The continued growth of our Order and our Council is dependent on one thing- the recruitment of Catholic men into our Order. We are all proud members of the Knights of Columbus and all members should actively speak to your sons, relatives, and friends about the Knights of Columbus and ask them to consider membership in the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world.

To that end, our Council will be recruiting members at all the Masses at St. Mary's Church on October 7-8, all the Masses at St. John's on October 14-15 and at the SMA Mission on October 22nd. I will be calling members to assist us in our recruitment at the churches on those dates. Please answer my call and help us increase our membership.

Simultaneously with our Recruitment Drive, we will be collecting donations from parishioners for our Annual Right to Life Fund Drive, also known as our Rose Drive. Our Deputy Grand Knight and Respect for Life Chairmen, Matt Connell, will lead those efforts at the churches. The proceeds from the Rose Drive help us fund our transportation to Washington D.C in January where Catholics march in opposition to the immoral and incorrect Supreme Court's 1973 decision of Roe v. Wade which legalized the killing of unborn children. Matt and I will be calling members to assist us in this effort during those weekends. Please answer our call.

Our Columbian Club led by George DiCostanzo, Tom Formoso, and Mike Cremin have made great strides in upgrading our Hall, Lounge, and outside grounds. Our home has a fresh and invigorating atmosphere. We do depend on the rental of our Council Hall to maintain our home. We need everyone- members, Columbiettes, Scouts, Scouts Families, and friends to volunteer at these events to serve food, to clean up, to help in the kitchen, and to bartend. George, Frank Gallacher, PGK, Ivan Hannibal, PGK, and I will be calling you to offer your most valuable asset- your time. We need everyone to help us. Please answer our calls. You can call me at anytime to offer your services at a rental.

Coming Events:

- Italian Night- Oct 7
- Bus Trip to New Haven, Conn to visit Knights of Columbus Museum Oct 21
- Adult Halloween Party Oct 28
- Children's Halloween Party Oct 29

I hope to see everyone at the Council.

Vivat Jesus,

Steve Martin

Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

For Catholics, the month of October is traditionally observed as Respect Life Month. As Cardinal Sean O'Malley of Boston stated in 2015, "Respect Life Month is a fitting time to reflect on the truth of who we are. Our worth is based not on our skills or levels of productivity. Rather, we discover our worth when we discover our true identity found in the unchangeable, permanent fact that we are created in God's image and likeness and called to an eternal destiny with him.

Whether it lasts for a brief moment or for a hundred years, each of our lives is a good and perfect gift. At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God's love. An elderly man whose health is quickly deteriorating; an unborn baby girl whose diagnosis indicates she may not live long; a little boy with Down syndrome; a mother facing terminal cancer—each may have great difficulties and need our assistance, but each of their lives is worth living."

If we acknowledge the value and dignity of each human life, then we are called to do all we can to protect it. But we live in a culture in which human life is constantly under attack. From laws that allow abortion on demand to laws that promote physician assisted suicide to an increase use of the death penalty; the dignity of the human person is threatened. We will not see a change in the laws until we see a change in the hearts of the people in our world.

Our culture today is often called a "Culture of Death" where human life is cheap. We need to see the inherent value of each and every person. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are called to promote the Culture of Life with a foundation based in the love that God has for every human life he has called into existence.

Vivat Jesus,

Rev. Stephen Carey

Chaplain

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Knight Times Newsletter

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Sick & Wake Report – as of Sept 25, 2017

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
-John Maguire
-Bill Connington, PGK
-James Keane
-**Frank Uvenio**
-**Nick Albano**
-John P. McHugh
-Dave Benson, PGK
-Ernest Businelli
-Scott Manno, PGK
-**Larry Rivera, PGK**
-Michael Curran
-**Bill Horn**
-Tom Ciotti, PGK
-Jim Kelly, Sr.
-**Al Taxter**

Relatives & Friends

-Addison Rose Palardy, granddaughter of PGK B. Bernard.
-Brother-in-law of Greg Ryan
-Carol Donadio, wife of Rich Donadio;
-Fr. Patrick Donohue, priest at St. Mary's Church
-**Gloria Horn, wife of Bill Horn.**
-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
-Marge English, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
-Maria Brooks, wife of Jim Brooks;
-Maria Melendez, wife of Juan Melendez.
-Maureen Kostka, wife of the late Ed Kostka.
-Nunzia Migliaccio, cousin of PGK Geo. Di Costanzo;
-Paul Schmidt, brother of Tom Schmidt;
-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 DeFalco.
-William Borrows, Jr, son of William Borrows

Wakes

Members: **John McCann;**

Relatives & Friends:

-**Arthur King, friend from St. Mary's Church**

Reservations Procedure

Reservations for all of our functions are preferred.

--Email: kofc1345reservations@gmail.com. OR,
-Call or Text to: Kenneth Armellino at **1-516-220-9333.**

Hall For Rent

Planning a party soon? Call Norm Saunders at 201-832-0105, 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 October. We have Nina DiCostanzo Oct. 7; Angela Bochicchio Oct. 9; Dolores O'Dowd Oct. 14; Brian O'Dowd Oct. 23; Carl Pinsdorf Oct. 11; GK Steve Martin Oct. 13.

Chancellor-Membership Report

Thank you to all those that came out to assist with the Second Degree our Council hosted on September 14. The degree team was very happy with how things went. We are also doing our Membership Drive at the Churches in conjunction with the Rose for Life sale. Please let us know if you are available to help.

Kenneth Armellino, Chancellor

Financial Secretary Report

Benefits for our Members:

(1) - **Deborah Hospital**; if a brother knight is in need of cardiac care, he is welcomed at Deborah Hospital, and any procedure needed is FREE.

(2) - **Bergen Chapter K of C** - Our council recently rejoined with the Chapter, who exist for the sole purpose of helping fellow Knights who are in financial distress.

For more information, contact me at 201-338-2617 or email to: papagdc@aol.com.

George Di Costanzo, FS, PGK

Columbian Club Report

The Club has been very busy during July, August, and September, but, it has been difficult in getting help. So I am happy to announce a plan that I sincerely hope our member volunteers will see as an incentive to help out with their time.

The Council collects charity funds from its activities and from the Columbian Club but distribution of funds is made at the end of the year, past the term of the grand knight. It's a long time to see the efforts of your service to help those in need.

We plan to change that. The idea was mentioned to me last year by PGK Frank Gallacher. I am happy to be able to implement the plan this year, with the backing of our GK Steve Martin, and the entire Officer & Staff of the Col Club.

Effective now, any tips, donations we receive from our rentals, plus a % of our monthly profit, will be set aside in a Charity Fund to be distributed every two months to Bergenfield & Dumont Food Pantries, which include St. John's & St. Mary's Church, and the two Boro Social Service Depts. In so doing, all the needy families of both towns will be served and helped.

What's the benefit? Our member volunteers will know that the "**fruits of their labor**" is being put to use in a shorter time frame; that they are actually helping needy families in town more frequently, especially with the coming Holiday Season.

The first distribution will be made in October after the close of the books for September.

Charity and Service go hand in hand for a K of C member. So when you get a call from our PGK Ivan Hannibal to help serve at a function, council or rental, please consider saying YES and know that you are helping a family in your town. If you cannot make one date, ask for a later date.

George Di Costanzo, TBCC President

Italian Night

There is still time to make your reservation for Italian Night on Saturday, October 7, from 7-11pm. Join us for one of our most popular events. The evening will consist of an authentic Italian menu including fresh baked Italian bread, as well as live entertainment from **Panorama Music**.

We will also have a new menu consisting of cold antipasta, Mozzarella Caprese with Prosciutto, Chicken Saltimbocca, and Stuffed Shells. The evening will conclude with an authentic Italian Ricotta Cheesecake and a cordial bar with espresso. Beverages are included. \$40 per person.

Last year's event was filled to capacity, so be sure to get your reservations in early. RSVP by calling or texting Ken A. at 516-220-9333, email KofC1345Reservations@gmail.com.

Ken Armellino, Chairman

Bus Trip to New Haven, CT to Visit St. Mary's Church & the K of C Museum Saturday, October 21, 2017

Bus will leave from St. John's Council by no later than 8:15am. Arrive at Museum for a picnic lunch, then to Church for Mass and a Tour, and then back to the Museum to finish the tour. Cost is \$35.00. **See flyer enclosed for all the details.**

Larry Rivera, PGK, Chairman

Costume Halloween Party

Saturday, October 28, 7-11pm. Costume's, good food, great music, beverages, mini-tricky tray, 50/50 raffle, and a whole lot of fun. **See enclosed flyer for details.**

Children's Halloween Party

Sunday, Oct. 29, 2-5pm for all children age 10 & under. Best Costume Contest in 3 age categories; treat bags for each child, hotdogs, chips, and beverage for everyone, 50/50 raffle, and a DJ for children's games. FREE admission. We ask for a voluntary donation to offset costs. Cash bar for adults available, plus 3-TV's for Sunday football. Call Ken at 516-220-9333 or email: kofc1345reservations@gmail.com.

A Catechism Refresher of our Faith - Chapter 3

Q: What are the precepts of the Church?

-A: There are seven (7) precepts of the Church.

1. You shall attend Mass on Sundays & Holy Days of Obligation;
2. You shall confess your sins at least once a year;
3. You shall humbly receive your Creator in Holy Communion at least during the Easter Season;
4. You shall observe the laws of the Church regarding marriage;
5. You shall observe the prescribed days of fasting and abstinence;
6. You have the duty of providing for the material needs of the Church, each according to his abilities;
7. You shall participate in the evangelization efforts of the Church.

Q: What are the "capital sins"?

-A: They are pride, avarice (covetousness), envy, wrath (anger), lust, gluttony, sloth or acedia.

Q: What are the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit?

-A: The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord.

	Dates to Remember
Thurs, Oct. 5	Setup for Rental 7pm.
Fri, Oct. 6	Friday Social 8pm
Sat, Oct. 7	Italian Night 7-11pm
Mon, Oct. 9	Columbus Day Feast AARP mtg. 10am.
Wed, Oct. 11	TBCC mtg 8pm.
Fri, Oct. 13	Rental Setup 7pm for Saturday Friday Social 8pm
Sat, Oct. 14	Rental - Senior Luncheon 12pm.
Sun, Oct. 15	4th Degree 1st NJ District Communion Mass & Breakfast. Details on this page.
Mon, Oct. 16	Council mtg. 8pm Lecturer - Fr. Carey 9pm.
Wed, Oct. 18	Columbiettes mtg. 7:30pm.
Fri, Oct. 20	Council Closed - Rental Rental Meals on Wheels 7pm.
Sat, Oct. 21	Bus Trip to K of C New Haven 8am
Tues, Oct. 24	Setup for Rental 7pm
Wed, Oct. 25	Rental - Grant School Tricky Tray 7pm.
Thurs, Oct. 26	Setup for Halloween 7pm.
Fri, Oct. 27	Friday Social 8pm
Sat, Oct. 28	Halloween Costume Party 7pm
Sun, Oct. 29	Corp Communion Mass St. Mary's 10am Breakfast at Council afterwards Kids Halloween Party 2pm.
Wed, Nov. 1	All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation
Thurs, Nov. 2	All Souls Day Setup for Rental 7pm.
Fri, Nov. 3	Council Closed - Rental
Sat, Nov. 4	Rivera birthday party 7-11pm. Gooney Birds Marine Corps birthday

Respect Life Report

Gentlemen, It is October. It is time for Roses for Life. St Mary's Oct 7 & 8, St John's Oct 14 & 15th, SMA fathers October 22nd. We need volunteers for all the Masses. Call Matt at 201-387-7187

Here is a perfect way to promote our Catholic Faith - Meet good Catholic men. Give them that Rose for Life; Promote the Knights and our Catholic Faith.

DGK Matt Connell, Chairman

Columbiette Report

"When witches go riding, and black cats are seen, the moon laughs and whispers, 'tis near Halloween!"

October is upon us and so is our Halloween dinner and tricky tray that we co-chair with our brother Knights. Come down and have a Spook-tac-ular time!

We will also have our "Trick or Treat" auction again this year after our October meeting. All proceeds will go towards the "Pennies from Heaven" fund which supports our seminarians and postulates. Bring a wrapped gift (a trick or treat) and all your loose change.

Laura Labetti, President

Lecture Program

Fr. Stephen Carey will talk at our meeting on 16th October, about his pilgrimage to the shrine of Santiago de Compostela.

Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Chairman

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

Troop 1345 Report

During the month of September, the Troop installed shelving into its new trailer, so it is now more ready to go on camping trips than ever before! The troop will now begin to prep its gear with the quartermaster to store equipment in the trailer.

Ray Ziembra, Asst Scoutmaster

Memorial Mass for Deceased Members

On Monday November 6th, 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 twelve months. 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.

Brian O'Dowd, Chairman

4th Degree - First Annual Corporate Communion Breakfast Sunday, October 15, 2017

Mass at 9:00am at St. Leo's Church 324 Market St, Elmwood Park, NJ. Breakfast at La Neve's, 276 Belmont Ave, Haledon at 10:30am.

All Color Corpsman encouraged to attend; all 4th Degree members invited to attend. Cost is \$20/pp. Check payable to: 1st NJ Regiment, or call Sal Manente 201-866-2988.

4th Degree Exemplification & Military Ball Sunday, November 19, 2017

Any 3rd Degree Knight interested in taking their final degree - PATRIOTISM - contact me at 201-338-2617 or Faithful Navigator Frank Gallacher, PGK at 201-957-2683.

SK George DiCostanzo, PFN

Photo Gallery



Serving food to public at Dumont Day, Sept. 9, 2017. From left: GK Steve Martin, Center: Ralph Saxton, Right: Willie Cintron, and far right: Columbiettes Roberta, Annette, Janice, MaryAnn, Pat, Laura Labetti Pres, and Nina D, & thanks to all Columbiettes who helped.