



The Knight Times

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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Scouts, and Friends,

I was proud and thrilled to inform our members and friends in my August message of the incredible charitable efforts of our Council during the last Columbian year - 2017 to 2018. This Council donated over \$43,000 to numerous charities, individuals, our Churches, and our community during the past year. Heres a list of the recipients of our herculean efforts.

Council Scholarships - \$8,500 - 9 children/grandchildren of our members received college assistance; Shake the Can proceeds of \$8,500 - 9 local organizations who assist intellectually disabled citizens in Bergen County received donations; Bergenfield and Dumont Social Service Agencies each received over \$1,000 for their food pantries to assist our neighbors who needed food. St. John's Parish food pantry and St. Mary's food pantry each received over \$1,000 from our Council.

We made donations to St. John's Church, St. Mary's Church, and the SMA Mission totaling almost \$2,000 for their charitable endeavors; we donated \$175 to St. Therese Parish in Cresskill to assist that Parish; Donations to Knight of Columbus charities including the Puerto Rico Hurricane Relief Fund totaled almost \$1,700; donations were made to Bergenfield High School and Dumont High School; the Bergenfield and Dumont Little Leagues.

Our Council made individual donations to the Allison Parlady Medical Fund (over \$18,000), the Cullen family, whose home was ravaged by a fire (\$2,850); several charities fighting cancer; the American Special Children's Pilgrimage Group (\$2,000); and lastly, our Council sponsors a seminarian Moris Montoya, who received \$500 from our Council.

This is why we are all proud members of the Knights of Columbus. I also acknowledge the tremendous work and contributions of our Columbiettes, led by Laura Labetti during the past year in reaching these charitable goals

Vivat Jesus,

Steve Martin, Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

As we said farewell to summer, we watched as so many students returned to their studies at colleges and universities all over the county. Praying for their success, one weekend in August, at St. Mary's we offered a special blessing for college students at the end of mass. The only problem was there were almost no students who stood up to receive the blessing.

As someone who worked for many years at a university before I entered the seminary, I learned of how many students abandon the practice of their faith once they were no longer under their parent's watchful eye. It seems that now more and more youngsters stop going to church long before they head off to college. Once Religious Ed is finished, so many youngsters think Church is finished as well.

If this trend continues, in a generation or two, our churches will be totally empty. As parents, grandparents, godparents and Catholic adults, we all have a responsibility to do what we can to encourage all these youngsters to continue to practice their Catholic faith. First and foremost, we must lead by example. If we don't think weekly attendance at mass is important, why should our children and grandchildren think otherwise? We need to stress the need to develop a close personal relationship with Jesus Christ and how doing so makes all the other stresses in our life much more manageable. We need to pray; pray for all these young people as they go forward in life that they will do so as practicing Catholics.

In promoting the New Evangelization, Pope Francis has called on all Catholics to help spread the Good News of Salvation. We must begin by evangelizing ourselves, our families and our community. Only then will we be prepared to reach out to all the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fr. Stephen Carey, Chaplain

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Knight Times Newsletter

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Sick & Wake Report – as of August 20, 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 McGill
-Steven Petraglia	-Dave Benson, PGK
-William Borrows	-Nick Albano
-Dick Dorozynski	-Scott Manno, PGK
-Jim Mc Entee	-Larry Rivera, PGK
-Brendan Thornton	-John Maguire
-Bill Horn	-Rich Donadio
-Bill Connington, PGK	-Ed Covino
-James Keane	-Jim Kelly, Sr.
-Jack Marsigliano	-Juan Melendez

Relatives & Friends

-Fr. Pat Donohue, priest at St. Mary's
-Fr. Ray Filipiski, 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.
-Mary Cremin, wife of Mike Cremin
-Mary Vostinar, mother of Kevin Vostinar;
-Michael Connor, Police Chief of Dumont
-Nunzia Migliaccio, cousin of PGK Geo. Di Costanzo;
-Olivia Arrigoitia, daughter of Felicia Arrigoitia
-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 De Falco
-William Borrows, Jr, son of William Borrows,

Wakes

Members:

-Patrick Murphy; Livio Anconetani; Gilbert Lizardi;

Relatives & Friends:

-G. Douglas Hatler, brother of State Deputy Bob Hatler.
-Constance Grindley, sister of Matt Connell
-Son of Domenick Bartolomeo, friend of Council.
-Mary Cannon, mother of Brother Daniel Cannon.

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.**

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our brother knights and their family members who may be celebrating a birthday in September.

Birthday wishes to: Larry Rivera PGK and Frank Uvenio on their birthday on August 17th also, Ann Panfile on September 23rd, and Bill Horn September 10th who is turning 95 years old

Paper shredding in Dumont September 8th 9AM-1PM at Dumont DPW.

Chancellor-Membership Report

Gentlemen- I cannot stress more that we need new active members. Ask everyone you know is a Catholic and if they are a member of the K of C. Carry a form 100 with you. Also tell them they can become a member online. As of August 1 2018 we have 426 members, Let's get it to 450 members this Columbian year.

Matt Connell, Chancellor

Friday Night Socials & More

Come down for a complimentary snack, reasonably priced drinks, great company and see what's happening every week at the council! Look for our email blasts and listen for our calling posts to keep yourself in the loop!

See you Friday Night!

Open Mic Night Coming to Friday Night Socials

We need all types of performers, singers, play an instrument, bands, stand up comedy to make the open mike night a success. If you or someone you know (friends, children, grandchildren) we would love for you to share your talent at a Friday Night Social, If you are at all interested send an email to Jim Callahan at jmc712@aol.com or you can text Jim at 201-655-2634. We need to know if there is an interest.

Share your talents with the Knights. Participants get a free drink.

Tom Formoso, TBCC President

Italian Night

Reservations are now open for Italian Night on September 22, 2018 at 7 pm. 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 including consisting of cold antipasto, Mozzarella Caprese with Prosciutto, Salad, Meatballs and Sausage, and Manicotti.

The evening will conclude with an authentic Italian Dessert and a cordial bar with espresso. Tap beer, wine and soda are included. Last year's event was filled to capacity, so be sure to get your reservations in early.

RSVP REQUIRED by calling or texting Ken A. at 516-220-9333 or emailing

KofC1345Reservations@gmail.com. \$40 per person.

Ken Armellino, Chairman

Financial Secretary Report

Our State per capita dues have increased this year by 40%. With declining membership due to members deceased, moved, or achieving Honorary Life status, we have to increase our annual dues. More details to come.

George Di Costanzo, FS, PGK

Blood Drive

On Sunday September 30th we will be hosting our second blood drive of the year. The blood drive will be held at St. John's Church - Conlon Hall from 10am to 2 pm. Blood supplies are close to an all time low, and Community Blood Services is the only blood bank that keeps its supplies local to NJ. Please come out and help.

I also want to thank all those who came out to support our blood drive at St. Mary's. Thanks to your participation we exceeded our collection goal for the drive.

Ken Armellino, Head Vampire

Respect Life Report

Gentlemen- October is Respect Life Month. The Knights raise money for the bus for The March For LIFE in January in Washington DC. We do this by asking for donations using Roses for Life at all 3 parishes St Mary's drive will be Saturday September 29th and Sunday September 30th, St John's on October 13th and 14th and SMA fathers on Sunday the 21st October.

Gerry Flood and myself will be visiting other Councils to promote LIFE and the March for LIFE. Brothers, we can use your help in the Roses for Life drive. We will have sign up sheets at next meeting and in September. Please volunteer and keep praying for all those unborn babies.

Matt Connell, DGK, Chairman

Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

As most of you know, we have tried to enhance and promote our Friday Night Socials this past year. This Columbian year, we are doubling down our efforts and making our Friday Socials a more a memorable night for members, FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF ALL AGES.

We already had our first DJ Karaoke night in July with over 50 in attendance! Moving forward in August and throughout the year, we are hosting trivia nights, karaoke nights, movie nights EVERY week we are open. We are also in the process of setting up open mic nights so if you have a talent or know someone with a talent, stay tuned!

Tom Formoso, TBCC President

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

Aug 31 - Friday night social
Sep 1 - Setup (time tba)
Sep 2 - Rental 3pm - 7pm
Sep 3 - Labor Day
Sep 6 - Setup 7 PM
Sep 7 - Friday night social
Sep 8 - Dumont Day & Rental PRECA 7PM -11PM
Sep 9 - Ed Covino Bridal shower 1PM
Sep 10 - AARP meeting 10AM & Officers Meeting 8PM
Sep 13 - setup 7PM
Sep 14 - Friday night social & BergFed Golf Dinner 5PM
Sep 15 - Rental 7PM
Sep 16 - Rental 2:30PM
Sep 17 - Council Meeting 8PM
Sep 19 - Columbiette Meeting 7:30PM
Sep 20 - Setup 7PM
Sep 21 - Friday night social
Sep 22 - Italian night
Sep 26 - Setup 7PM
Sep 27 - Rental BergFed awards dinner 8PM
Sep 28 - Friday night social
Sep 29 - Veterans lunch 12PM & Rose Drive St. Mary's
Sep 30 - Blood drive @ St. Johns & Rental 2PM & Rose drive @ St. Mary's
Oct 4 - Setup 7PM
Oct 6 - Wine tasting 7PM - 10PM

Columbiettes Report

"September morn

*Do you remember how we dance the night away
Two lovers playing scenes from some romantic play
September morning still can make me feel this way."
(Neil Diamond, 1979)*

Hello September.....time for Dumont Day!
Once again, the Columbiettes will be working with our Brother Knights selling food and drinks at Dumont Day. Dumont Day takes place in Memorial Park, on September 8, starting at 10:00am and ends at 6:00pm. We are asking our Sister Columbiettes to again donate 2 cases of soda and, if possible, to volunteer for two- hour shifts in the booth. Please contact Laura Labetti at 201-387-7479; labetti250@optonline.net to let her know if you are available. We appreciate ALL of the help you can give us.

Please note the Upcoming Events which are being planned for our new year 2018-2019:

Halloween Costume Party: Time again to, "Eat, Drink and Be Scary!" as the Knights and Columbiettes once again host this event together.

Spudtacular: One of our most popular events

Spring Time Tricky-Tray: A new event added last year was so well attended and very successful, we decided to do it again!

All of the events we do during the course of year yield the profits we make for our various charitable contributions. We are proud to list the charities that we donated to from this year's past events, they are:

St. Mary's Food Pantry/Elevator Fund - \$500.00
St. John's Food Pantry - \$500.00
St. John's K of C Scholarship Fund - \$1,000.00
St. John's Council Columbian Club - \$1,000.00
American Special Children's Pilgrimage Group - \$500.00
Several Sources - \$500.00
Mackenzie Cadmus - \$500.00
(child with long term care disease)
Juvenile Arthritis Foundation - \$250.00
T.A.C..A. (Talking About Curing Autism) - \$300.00
Carmello Marabello Scholarship Fund - \$250.00
Cobey Myers - \$300.00

All of the above mentioned events will be discussed at our first meeting on Sept 19th. Meeting starts at 7:30pm. We look forward to seeing all of sister Columbiettes there.

Roberta Elwell, PP, Publicity

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

Troop 1345 celebrated Collin Delibero's Eagle Court of Honor in August. Collin is the troop's 24th Eagle Scout.

There are currently 48 scouts registered with the troop. There are five scouts actively working on eagle scout leadership projects, with 2 more working on proposals for their leadership projects. So hopefully we'll see a few more Eagle Scouts joining the ranks in the near future.

The troop is looking forward to their September awards ceremony, where they will award over 125 merit badges to scouts for their work over the summer.

Venture Crew 1345

Venture Crew 1345 went whitewater rafting in August, before many of its members headed back to college. A few members from the troop also participated in the rafting adventure.

The Venture Crew currently stands at 10 members, and is looking to add a few more this year.

Ray Ziemba, Crew 1345 Advisor

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

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**.