



The Knight Times

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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Families, and Friends,

September is traditionally a month of change – children go back to school, the fall weather begins to creep in, winter clothes begin hitting the racks in stores, and many of us find ourselves planning for the year's end. We have been changing some things up at the Council as well.

We have begun focusing on hosting some special events on Friday evenings. Thanks to many of you, our Pasta Night and our Karaoke Night were not only fun gatherings, they both contributed financially to the charitable works of the Council. Whether you set up, cooked, bartended, or attended, thank you.

August we also volunteered at the Family Promise Homeless Shelter and the St. John's Carnival. Again, thanks to all who answered the call to help, and big thanks to John Scalice for leading the charge in feeding the homeless, and Matt Connell coordinating for the Carnival.

Looking forward, September is shaping up to be a busy one – Dumont Day, Blood Drive, Italian Night are all quickly approaching. I want to ask that anyone available PLEASE see the Dumont Day ad inside and volunteer if you can. This is a very labor and time intensive event for the Council, but does a lot to show our Community who we are and put a very positive face to the Knights of Columbus. Information on all these events are inside this issue.

God Bless all of you.

Vivat Jesus,

Kenneth Armellino

Grand Knight

Council Officers 2019-2020

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:		
Grand Knight	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
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Trustee 1 yr.	Frank Gallacher, PGK,PFN	201-957-2683
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Trustee 3 yr	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
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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Membership:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Newsletter Editor:	G. Di Costanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Parish Roundtable:	Ken Armellino, GK	516-220-9333
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Respect for Life:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Retention:	Larry Rivera, PGK	201-315-0456
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Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
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President:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
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Columbiette's Officer's 2019-2020

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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 August 18, 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	-	-John McGill
-Steven Petraglia		-Dave Benson, PGK
-William Borrows		-Nick Albano
-Dick Dorozynski		-Scott Manno, PGK
-Jim Mc Entee		-Larry Rivera, PGK
-Brendan Thornton		-Matt Connell
-Bill Horn		-Bill Connington, PGK
-John P. Mc Hugh		-Michael Curran
-Jack Marsigliano		-Antonio Fundaro
-Al Taxter		-Ken Hudes
-Dan Taylor		-Jim Whelan
-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
- 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.**
- Marie, mother of State Warden Russ Petrocelli.
- Maritza Melendez, daughter of Juan Melendez**
- Mary Vostinar, mother of Kevin Vostinar;
- Peter Dondero, son of PGK Bob Dondero;
- Rose Lotteman, relative of James Mc Carthy
- 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: **Rev. Paul J. Lehman; John Certa;**

Relatives/Friends: **Mary Rudolph, wife of the late Art Rudolph; Maryann Brandt, sister of Columbiette Janice Forlini; Susan McKay, widow of our late Brother John McKay.**

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.**

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**.

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our members celebrating a birthday or special occasion in September. Especially, Trevor Moriarty on Sept. 1; Diane Di Costanzo Olivo on Sept 7; Ann Panfile on Sept. 23; and Al Moriarty on Oct. 1.

Congratulations to PGK George & Nina Di Costanzo on their 60th wedding anniversary Sept. 19. Belated congratulations to John & Michele Orsino on their 20th wedding anniversary Aug. 28.

Chancellor-Membership Report

After a very successful year adding new Brother Knights to our ranks, we must renew our efforts with the start of the new Columbian year. Our goal this year is thirty-two new members, a lofty but not impossible goal.

Many times, we have conversations where the discussion leads to doing something good for others. We as the Knights of Columbus can make the most of what your friends have to offer. We feed the homeless, raise money for local and regional charities, support local food banks and so much more. And all of this is in line with our core Catholic values of assisting the poor and vulnerable. So, ask your friends and acquaintances – are you a Knight?

Brian O'Dowd, Membership

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** - exists for the sole purpose of helping fellow Knights who need financial assistance for health or other reasons.

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

(3) - **The Council Relief Fund** - a benefit for our members who may find themselves in financial distress due to health or other reasons. It's completely confidential, therefore, contact the Grand Knight Ken Armellino directly at 516-220-9333..

George Di Costanzo, FS, PGK

Dumont Day

Dumont Day is September 7, 2019. St. John's Council has a booth in which we sell hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage and peppers and french fries. We have been privileged to host a food booth at this celebration for the last 20 years. We look forward to all of our members supporting our Council on Dumont Day.

I also look forward to everyone's participation in this event. We need help! We need help on Friday night, September 6th! We need help on Saturday from 9am-6pm in setting up our booth, serving the food and breaking down our booth at the end of the festivities! Please call me at 201-669-8236 to let me know when you can help.

Our Council's presence at this event shows St. John's Council 1345's commitment to community. Everyone who comes to Dumont Day looks forward to our booth and all the great food we provide. Tell your family and friends to come on down. We do great things here.

Steven Martin, PGK, Chairman

Fish Fry

Save the date....Friday, Oct 11, 5pm, details next month.

Blood Drive

On Sunday September 22nd we will be hosting a blood drive. 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.

I also want to thank all those who have come out to support our blood drives in the past and invite you to come again and bring a friend.

Ken Armellino, Grand Knight

Italian Night - Sept. 28th

Save the date for Italian Night on September 28, 2019 at 7 pm. The evening will consist of an authentic Italian family style meal including fresh baked Italian bread, antipasto platters, mozzarella caprese, salad, manicotti, meatballs and canoli dip dessert.

Of course there is also live entertainment from **Panorama Music, so wear your dancing shoes..** Tap beer, wine, soda are included. \$40 per person. Call or text Ken A. at 1-516-220-9333 or email KofC1345reservations@gmail.com to RSVP.

Ken Armellino, Grand Knight, Chairman

Friday Night Socials

If you haven't been to a Friday night social lately, you are missing out. We have had great snacks, 50/50 drawings, and drink specials.

We even had a very successful special Karaoke social, and are looking at doing more special socials, including trivia, bingos, maybe even paint 'n sip – so keep your eyes open.

The doors open at 7, and we aim to have the snack out as early as possible. Hope to see you there.

Ken Armellino, Grand Knight

Bergen Federation Golf Outing

If you like to golf, help support our Bergen Federation Golf Outing on Friday, Sept. 13, 2019. The proceeds from this event, after costs, is donated to charities.

Where: River Vale Country Club

Time: Foursomes tee of starting at 10:00am.

Dinner: 6pm Beefsteak at St. John's Council, Dumont.

Prizes: Closest to pin; Longest Drive; 50/50, Prize Table.

Cost: \$150 per golfer, includes lunch, prizes and dinner.

-Dinner only is \$40.00/pp.

Email Jim Stiff at: jstiff1982@aol.com; call 201-639-9079.

Faith in Action

We will lead the First Friday Rosary again during adoration starting at 6PM on Friday Sept. 6 at St. Mary's Church.

Please join us in the lower church every first Friday at 6PM and put your faith into action. And don't forget to bring your rosary.

Brian O'Dowd, Chancellor

Respect Life Report

Gentlemen- Did you hear about that senior blonde college student when asked what was Roe vs Wade?? She took some time to answer but then said it was the question George Washington asked himself before crossing the Delaware River. Ha Ha.

The real meaning of Roe V Wade is the legalization of killing human babies in the womb.(i.e. Abortion). I personally cannot believe it is an American value to kill your baby in the womb as some people believe. Roe Vs Wade must be reversed.

Matt Connell, Chairman

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

Mon, Sept. 2 *Labor Day - Fly your Flag*
 Fri, Sept. 6 Rosary at St. Mary's, 6pm.
 Sat, Sept. 7 Dumont Day - Help Needed.
 Rental - 4pm
 Mon, Sept 9 Council Officer meeting 8pm.
 Tues, Sept. 10 Admission Degree at Westwood
 Fri, Sept. 13 Berg Federation Golf Beefsteak 5pm
 Sat, Sept. 14 Rental - 5pm.
 Mon, Sept. 16 Council Regular meeting 8pm.
 Wed, Sept. 18 Columbiette meeting 7:30pm
 Fri, Sept. 21 NJ Vets Home luncheon 11 am
 Rental - 7pm.
 Sun, Sept. 22 Blood Drive at St. John's 9am.
 Rental - 1pm.
 Wed, Sept. 25 TBCC meeting 8pm.
 Sat, Sept. 28 Italian Night 7pm.
 Mon, Sept. 30 Berg Federation Kickoff Dinner 7pm

Columbiettes Report

*“Up in the morning and out to school
 The teacher is teaching the Golden Rule
 American history, practical math
 You're studying hard, you're hoping to pass
 Working your fingers right down to the bone
 And The guy behind you won't leave you alone”*
 (Chuck Berry, 1957)

Hello September...Welcome Back Columbiettes! We hope you had an enjoyable and restful summer because now it's time to “get back to business!”

Our first meeting of the new year will be on Wednesday, September 18 at 7:30pm. We are hoping to have a first degree soon as we have 3 prospects who may want to join.

Also, at our first meeting, we will be discussing the upcoming events we are planning. Coming back, by popular demand, will be our Spud-tacular, a Paint & Sip event at our November retention month meeting and a new event for us, “Deal or No Deal!”.....AND believe it or not, we will be celebrating our 15 Year Anniversary! A celebration, of course will be planned.

So much to discuss at our first meeting, looking forward to seeing everyone on September 18!

*Peace,
 Roberta Elwell, PP, Publicity*

San Alfonso Retreat

If you were not able to attend our retreat in July, there is another one scheduled for October 18-20, the Statewide K of C retreat. The feedback from the July retreat was...GREAT.

The theme is: *The Call to Holiness: Journeying with Christ and Others towards the fullness of life.*

Cost is \$240 payable after you arrive to our Team Captain. If interested, call PGK George DiCostanzo, 201-338-2617.

Organ Donor Program

Brothers, with your family and friends, become an organ donor. The life you save is precious, and could be family, a relative, or a friend. Sign up at: www.registerme.org/knights.

Greg Ryan, 201-919-2535

Troop 1345 Report

Troop 1345 is proud to announce that Jared Wagreich passed his Eagle Scout Board of Review, becoming the twenty-ninth Eagle Scout in Troop 1345.

Jared's leadership project was to run a wrestling tournament to raise funds to purchase new wrestling mats for River Dell High School (some \$17,000 in cost).

Venture Crew 1345 went whitewater rafting this summer on the Lehigh River in Pennsylvania before the kids went back to college (pictures attached).



Ray Ziemba, Crew 1345 Advisor

Seminarian Support

Remember our seminarian Moris Montoya in your prayers.

Contact info for Moris: Immaculate Conception Seminary, Att: Moris Montoya, 400 So. Orange Ave, So. Orange, NJ 07079. Send him a note of encouragement. Also include a note to John March, seminarian, who also joined our Council with Moris.

G. DiCostanzo, FS, PGK

Wake Service Call & Email List

One of the most "fraternal" and "charitable" duties that we perform as Knights is to pay our respects to a Brother Knight, and his family, who has deceased. We offer a short prayer service and condolences to the family.

The value of our presence and prayer service for the family cannot be measured in any way. It's just special. But, the reality is this: the number of our members who show up is diminishing. We need more members from our local area.

If you wish to participate, send an email to: ldewald@verizon.net. Or call Bob DeWald at 201-264-6290.

Bob DeWald, Sick & Wake Chairman

**We Remember
 September 11, 2001**



We shall never forget that tragic day when all of our lives changed. Please pray for the victims and their families as suffering and death among First Responders still occurs.

God Bless America