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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Families and Friends,

I hope you are all staying cool – and with that thought thank you to those that braved the heat to come out and support our BBQ July 19th. It wasn't easy, but it was for a good cause and it helped out. We have slowly begun getting back to what we missed: Friday Night Socials, Council Events, Meetings done face to face, etc. But I remind you there are still many out there who need our assistance, who may still be compromised and concerned about venturing out, or facing COVID related or other health crisis. Please do not forget to take the time to see how you may help them. And if you know of anyone in need that we may be able to help, please let us know.

Most recently as a Council we donated inventory from the Columbian Club to the St. Mary's Food Pantry, made a monetary donation to the Family Promise Center in Hackensack in lieu of our serving a meal, and continued our support of Deacon Moris Montoya. Congratulations to him on his ordination.

Coming up in August we will continue to try and hold Friday Socials (and maybe even an installation), so please keep an eye on our Facebook Page, your emails, or phone messages. We are also investigating doing a Shake the Can drive in September (no streets – stores only). Thanks to PGK Steve Martin for heading up that effort.

Thanks again for your support.

Vivat Jesus,
Kenneth Armellino
Grand Knight

Chaplain's Reflection

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Families, and Friends,

No Reflection this month as Fr. Dermot enjoys some time off.

Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA
Chaplain

Council Officers 2020-2021

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:	Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA	201-567-0450
Grand Knight	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Deputy GK:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Chancellor	John McHugh	201-647-7729
Warden	Kevin Sheridan	201-844-3180
Recorder	Gino De Jesus	551-265-9813
Treasurer	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Advocate	Rich Oldfield	201-214-9375
Financial Sec	G. DiCostanzo, FS,PGK	201-338-2617
Inside Guard	Jim Callahan	201-655-2634
Outside Guard I	Don Apolito	973-715-4449
Outside Guard II	(open)	
Trustee 1 yr.	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Trustee 2 yr.	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Trustee 3 yr	Frank Gallacher, PGK	201-957-2683
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent	Enrique Blanco	201-745-2723
District Deputy	George Thompson, Jr.	201-445-9835

Council Chairmen 2020-2021

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Council Activities:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Council Reservation:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Family Activities:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Feeding Homeless:	John Scalice	201-338-2789
Murray Scholarship	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Mail Committee:	Frank Uvenio	201-385-0990
Membership:	John McHugh	201-647-7729
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:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Retreat:	Tony Tulli	732-608-0784
Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Sick & Wake:	George DiCostanzo, FS	201-338-2617
SMA Mission Rep	Innocent Amaefule	973-449-2808
St. John Church Rep	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
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Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers 2020-2021

President:	John Orsino	201-280-7759
Vice President:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Secretary:	Mike Rowley	201-280-8727
Treasurer:	Adrian Miller	201-803-0388
Trustee:	Bob Feigle	551-265-9747
Trustee:	Anthony Marti	917-602-3797
Trustee:	Paul Hecker	201-207-1051

Columbiette's Officer's 2020-2021

President:	Laura Labetti	201-788-5971
Vice-President:	Jill Moriarty	201-280-6667
Secretary:	Janet Maniscalco	201-417-0999
Financial Sec:	Lillian Holmes	201-342-5142
Treasurer:	Michele Sciarrino	201-387-2916
Sentinel:	Maureen Italiano	201-916-1404
Immed Past Pres:	A. Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617

BOY SCOUTS – Troop #1345 / Crew #1345 – 2020-2021

Scoutmaster – Art Rosenberger	
Asst. Scoutmaster – Mike Davis	
Crew Advisor – Ray Ziembra	201-410-0897
Assoc Crew Advisor – Tim Bright	201-803-5602

Knight Times Newsletter

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Sick & Wake Report – as of July 24, 2020

Bold indicates new name or a change in condition.

To add a name, call George Di Costanzo, 201-338-2617.

Members

-Bob Dondero, PGK	-John Graham
-Steven Petraglia	-Dave Benson, PGK
-Nick Albano	-Tom Formoso TBCC VP
-George Di Costanzo FS, PGK	-Frank Uvenio
- Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA	-Dan Taylor
-Jim Mc Entee	-Larry Rivera, PGK
-Brendan Thornton	-Matt Connell
-Bill Horn	-Bill Connington, PGK
-Arthur Flynn	-Tony O'Hare
-Angelo Gallo	-Frank Fundaro

Relatives & Friends

- Billy Whelan, son of late Jim Whelan
- Donna & Rocky, Sister & Granddaughter of Dr Geoffrey Sadock
- Fr. Pat Donohue, Priest at St. Mary's Church
- Fr. Ray Filipski, priest at St. John's Church
- Jill, daughter of Joseph Verga
- 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 & Stephanie, wife & niece of Jim Brooks;
- Maria Melendez, wife of Juan Melendez.
- Mary Vostinar, mother of Kevin Vostinar;
- Peter Dondero, son of PGK Bob Dondero;
- Rev. Beale & NJ Veteran's Home
- Rose Lotteman, aunt of James McCarthy.
- Rose O'Shea, friend from St. Mary's Church;
- Sadie Fundaro, mother of Frank Fundaro**
- SK Jim Meng, Bishop O'Connor Assembly Commander**
- Sr. Ann Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Sr. Marie Andre Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Teagan Davis, granddaughter of Columbiette Pat Barclay.
- Therese De Falco Holmes, daughter of Eli De Falco

Wakes

Members: **-Jim Whelan; Ray Cappock; Arthur Gallagher;**

Relatives/Friends: **Joanne Manning, wife of Frank Manning Jr.**

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

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our members celebrating a birthday or special occasion in August.

Congratulations to Ken and Nancy Florio who celebrated 64 years of marriage in June.

Chancellor-Membership Report

No report. Enjoy the Summer and stay healthy.

John McHugh, Chairman

Financial Secretary Report

No report. Enjoy the summer months as best as possible, stay safe and stay healthy.

George Di Costanzo, FS,PGK

Respect Life Report

Gentlemen- In this topsy turvy world we are living in with this Covid-19 pandemic, we must continue to pray for the UNBORN and their mothers and fathers.

Please pray for the USA and our Catholic Church.

Matt Connell, Chairman

Emails

As you have seen throughout the past few months, St. John's Council must be able to continue its Council business virtually. If you have not been receiving emails from us over the past year, we need you to sign up. Therefore, I ask that if you are a member of St. John's Council #1345 you can visit www.StJohns1345.org and sign up for our emails so that we may be able to contact you with invitations for virtual meetings, and other important notices. If you have any questions email us at KofC1345Reservations@gmail.com.

Knight of the Month

Our Knight of the Month led a very dedicated team at the Columbian Club through two very successful years, despite battling some serious personal health issues. Whenever necessary, whether in person, by phone, email, or spirit, I am honored to recognize Tom Formoso as our August Knight of the month. Let's keep Tom and his family in your prayers as he continues his battles, and when you see him thank him for continuing to serve a key role as Vice President of the Columbian Club.

Friday Night Social

We have secured the necessary approvals to hold Friday Night Socials outdoors. Please watch your email and listen for Calling Post updates via phone for ongoing details.

Beatification of Venerable Fr. Michael McGivney

My dear brother Knights, God works in mysterious ways! The rise of Father Michael McGivney took place in the 19th century when the United States was facing an anti-Catholic climate. We know the story: Christ needed convicted fearless leaders to battle what would seem to be impossible situations. Through McGivney, Christ inspired an extraordinary lay movement in the *Knights of Columbus* that ranks today as the largest Catholic fraternal organization doing extraordinary works of charity for the marginalized and forgotten most especially for the unborn. Thus, is it any surprise that from the unborn an extraordinary miracle took place through the intercession of Fr. McGivney paving the path for his beatification this year 2020? Praise be Jesus!

In the 21st-century, in a increasingly growing anti-Catholic climate,

it is by Divine Providence that this extraordinary news of Fr. McGivney's beatification is announced. His spirit lives on in the Knights. We are the new witnesses convicted and fearless to battle what seems to be impossible situations. We have much to be grateful for; much to ponder. We move forward in the light of Christ. Servant of God, **blesed-elect** Fr. Michael McGivney, pray for us!

Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA

Fr. Michael J. McGivney Guild

This is an opportune time to join the Guild at no cost and help Venerable Fr. McGivney towards Sainthood. When you receive the next issue of the Guild, sign up and support Fr. McGivney.

Or mail to: Fr. McGivney Guild, K of C, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT. 06510.

Support Calls to Members .

Recently, the Council decided to call and check on members on the Prayer List for the Sick and member Jim Callahan volunteered. Since March, Jim Has been calling to check on those on the sick list and checking on members during the pandemic. Members and their families have been so appreciative of the calls. The program was recently expanded to include Columbiettes.

Now, we are expanding to other non-sick aged members of the Council in our local area.

Next Council Meeting

Our next Council meeting will be held on Monday August 18th at 8PM in person at the Council Hall. We will adjust our setup to allow for appropriate social distancing. We will also be doing a simultaneous online livestream. Details will follow on the login.

A Lesson for Life

We don't know what tomorrow is going to bring and the only thing we really have is right now.

So, don't stay mad for too long.

Learn to forgive.

Love with all your heart.

Have fun.

Live your life the way you want to live it.

Don't worry about people that don't like you.

Enjoy the ones who do.

San Alfonso Retreat

The NJ State Council retreat is scheduled for the weekend of Oct. 23-25. Depending on Covid-19, more details to come.

However, in the meantime, mark the dates on your calendar and plan to attend. It's a great weekend to energize our Faith, Spirituality, and exercise Fraternity with other Brother Knights from around the State.

Here is the photo from last year's retreat.



Dates to Remember
Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6pm.
Council meeting 8pm.

Mon, Aug. 18

Columbiette Report

*"It happened one summer, it happened one time
It happened forever, for a short time
A place for a moment, an end to dream...
And then suddenly last summer"
(The Motels, 1983)*

The first ever zoomed in Columbiette convention took place on June 27 with about 94 participants attending this live streamed event. A brief memorial service took place honoring all of our sister Columbiettes who passed away during this past year. Elections were held and all the current officers will remain in office for the following year. The new charities for 2020-2021 were announced and Central Chapter's charity was nominated by our newest auxiliary St. Ann's of Fairlawn, who chose St Jude's Children's Hospital as next year's charity. The convention was concluded with a mass streamed in from St Anthony's of Padua Church officiated by our State Chaplain, Fr. William Smith.

Please read this message from our President, Laura Labetti:

We will be coordinating a time to put together our backpacks and toiletries shortly. We are coordinating with Western Chapter and have been designated to give our items to the Paterson diocese in August. If you are able to come to help us put these items together it will be appreciated. We will contact you shortly with more information will follow shortly.

Two "tentative" save the dates - We have booked October 4th, 2020 as the date for our 15th Anniversary. We also plan to have our Deal or No Deal during our Halloween Party on October 31st. We still have many tickets left to sell. Please consider buying or help us in selling tickets to reach our goal. We have had no fundraisers and this is our opportunity to help us help others. Of course we are aware things may change at a moment's notice and we will keep you updated as we get closer to these dates.

As restrictions from the Covid 19 pandemic lessen in our area, we will keep you advised of when and if we can start our new 2020-2021 Columbiette year with our September meeting.

Please continue to pray for one another and have a safe and healthy summer.

Roberta Elwell

Insurance Report

What if...After struggling for 4 decades to master my profession, raising my family so they can succeed in whatever they choose and preparing for my wife and I to retire comfortably, I suffered a stroke. Fortunately, I was found quickly by my beautiful wife who got me medical attention and I was saved. Sadly, though, I lost the use of my left arm and leg. I can no longer care for myself. Each morning, upon waking, she has to help me into a chair from the bed, then onto the toilet, help me bathe after that and dress me. Later she will serve me breakfast, half of which will fall out of my mouth because of the nerve damage. After we settle into our couch for some television, she must hurry to help me up to get to the toilet again. Too late! It took too long. Now it's another shower, cleaning the mess and dressing me again. It breaks my

heart that she has to do this for me; but if we had to pay for someone to do it, we couldn't afford to live in our home for more than 5 years.

I thought we were prepared for our retirement. We were supposed to be enjoying our golden years. Why didn't I know that home health aides, nursing home care and durable medical equipment for non-acute care weren't covered by Medicare? Why wasn't I prepared for this scenario? With Knights of Columbus Long Term Care Insurance, you will be prepared. The Order will help you protect your retirement.

Call your Field Agent, Enrique Blanco, to ask about Long Term Care Insurance or any of our Order's lines of Protection at (201) 745-2723 or email him, Enrique.Blanco@KofC.org.

Enrique Blanco, PGK, Insurance Field Agent

Volunteers needed to write "Thinking of You Letters" for senior citizens in Dumont.

Certainly a positive uplifting "Thinking of You Letter" would make someone's day, especially during this pandemic. Please consider writing a "Thinking of You letter to brighten up a senior citizen's day during this health crisis. Imagine how you will feel knowing that your letter made someone's day a little brighter.

Mail to Senior Letters, c/o Jim Callahan, 525 Salem Street, Paramus, NJ 07652

Jim Callahan

Photo Gallery

Honoring Our Flag



Celebrating our National Flag on Dulles Drive in Dumont. Thanks to VFW Commander and member Frank Uvenio for his contribution of the flags.

Columbiettes Coat Drive



Last Christmas Season, the Columbiettes conducted a Coat Drive, with the collection taking place at St. Mary's Church.