



The Knight Times

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February, 2011

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

To all my Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Squires & Boy Scouts:

February is the month of LOVE. On February 2, we celebrate the Presentation of the Child Jesus to us. GOD IS LOVE.

During February, we celebrate many Saints and Martyrs...St. Blasé, St. Agatha, St. Valentine...who gave their LOVE to God.

We also celebrate Our Lady of Lourdes Feb. 11, and World Marriage Day Feb. 13.

And, during February, we are preparing ourselves for the beginning of Lent when we can show our great love to God.

Vivat Jesus,

Fr. John F. Murray, SMA

Chaplain of St. John's Council #1345 (Senior Knights);

Father Prior of St. Dominic Savio Circle #1622 (Junior Knights);

Chaplain of the St. John's Columbiettes (Ladies Auxiliary);

State Father Prior of the Columbian Squires (Junior Knights).

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Squires, & Scouts,

It's hard to believe that the year 2010 is behind us. In January, the Right to Life March in Wash, DC took place. And on Saturday January 29, we closed out the month with Fr. Murray's Scholarship Dinner Dance. This paid an honor to our Chaplain who celebrated 88 years young, with the proceeds going to the scholarship funds.

As we enter this month, we welcome the opportunity to give our time to what lies ahead. February has become known as the Love month due to Valentine's Day. Let us not lose sight of two other dates that are recognized. That being Our Lady of Lourdes on Feb. 11, and World Marriage Day on Feb. 13.

This month while it seems short on days is not short on rentals and we ask that all members give at least one or two hours of time to help out. Our Council will be hosting a Third Degree on Friday, February 18, 2011 at 8:00pm. I ask that all Second Degree members who have not taken their Third Degree contact either Chancellor John E. McGill at 201-384-7511 or District Deputy Barry Bernard, PGK, PFN at 201-385-2094 to confirm your attendance at this degree. The Third Degree will be held in honor of George DiCostanzo, PGK, PFN, and currently our Financial Secretary.

Last but not least, the trip to Atlantic City will be on Sunday, Feb. 20. The Chairperson is Tom Schmidt and can be reached at 201-385-4871. Reservations are necessary. With this month behind us, we enter the holy season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, March 9, 2011. I ask everyone to continue to read our bulletin and keep current of events.

Vivat Jesus,

DAVE BENSON

Grand Knight

**2010-2011 Officers, Chairmen, Directors, & Auxiliaries
of the Family of St. John's Council #1345**

Council Officers

Chaplain	Rev. John F. Murray	201-567-0450
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Deputy GK:	Lou Pidi	201-439-1985
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Warden	George Corbo	201-384-0972
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Inside Guard	Carmine Grillo, Jr.	201-244-6579
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Trustee – 2 yrs.	Tom Trank, PGK	201-385-4324
Trustee – 1 yr.	B. Bochicchio, FDD, PGK	201-385-9015
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Church Activities:	George Corbo	201-384-0972
Community Affairs:	Carmine Grillo, Jr.	201-244-6579
Council Activities:	Lou Pidi	201-439-1985
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-St. John Church	Bob Knott	201-501-8737
-St. Mary Church	Carmine Grillo, Jr	201-244-6579
-SMA Mission	John McKay	201-244-1237
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Publicity-Photog:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
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Retention:	Lou Pidi	201-439-1985
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Sick & Wake:	Ed Kostka	201-387-9482
Squires:	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695
Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Youth Activities:	Ivan Hannibal, PGK	646-528-9592

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Waiter Chairman:	Steven Martin, PGK	201-262-2764

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Chief Squire:	Thomas James Passano	201-384-4894
Chief Counselor:	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695

Troop #1345 Boy Scouts

Scoutmaster:	Keith Hilcken	201-993-4476
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Sick & Wake Report – as of January 17, 2011

Call Ed Kostka at 201-387-9482 to add or delete a name on this list.
Italic indicates new name or change in condition.

Members

Gabriel DiLorenzo	Jack O'Brien
Dick Dorozynski	<i>Ferdinand (Fred) Jacobsen</i>
Michael Daly	Peter Duffy
Bill Murphy, PGK	Nicholas Slade
Frank McCoo	Walter Boettger
Richard Burke	George Forbes
Larry Frisby	Timothy Keating
<i>Ed Orr</i>	

Relatives & Friends

Ann Marsigliano, sister-in-law of Jack Marsigliano;
Ann Taxter, wife of Al Taxter;
Anthony Matarazzo, son of Joe Matarazzo, FDD, PGK;
Ben, nephew of Dom Panfile;
Dianne Malesky, wife of Ken Malesky;
Grace Sodano, friend of PGK G. DiCostanzo.
Jason Van Arsdale, nephew of John E. McGill;
Jonathan Jacobi, grandson of the late PGK Frank Messina;
Kristen Collins, neice of Tom Collins;
Mary Sforza, friend of the Council;
Mona, wife of Tom O'Brien;
Mother-in-law of Ed Trawinski;
Nicole Cafarelli, niece of Bob Wrightington;
Norma, widow of late Jim Campbell.
Peggy Taryla, cousin of Chuck Hollis;
Robert Segda, father-in-law of Tom Schmidt.
Rose Rush, widow of James J. Rush, PGK.
Sister Andre, sister of Fr. John Murray.
Vincenza, mother-in-law of PGK Bill Bochicchio.
Nina DiCostanzo, wife of PGK George DiCostanzo

Wakes

Judith Laferrera, sister Fr. Bob Laferrera, pastor St. Mary's Church.
Elizabeth (Lily) Leyden, wife of Kevin Leyden;
Angela Buldo, friend of Tony Tulli.
Judge John M. Roll, 4th Degree, a victim of Tucson shooting.
William Orr, brother of Ed Orr;
Beverly Powell, sister-in-law of John LaRaia;

Upcoming Degree Dates

First Degree: Tues, Feb. 8 at Westwood Council;
Second Degree: Tues, Mar. 1 at Washington Township;
Third Degree: Fri, Feb. 18 at Dumont Council;
Fourth Degree: Sun, Mar. 27 in Parsippany at the Hilton.

Lecture Program

The program for Mon, Feb. 24 at 9pm - Fr. Canariato on the topic of "coming changes in the Liturgy".

Geoffrey Sadock, Lecture Chairman

Free Throw Contest

St. John's Council 1345 is sponsoring their annual Basketball Free Throw contest on Saturday, February 5, 2011 at 8:30am, to be held in Conlon Hall at St. John's Church in Bergenfield.

The contest is open to boys and girls ages 10 to 14. A copy of the child's birth certificate is necessary when registering on the day of the event. Please contact Ivan Hannibal at 201-501-0988 for more information.

Ivan Hannibal, PGK, Chairman

From the News Desk

Birthdays wishes to members celebrating a birthday or a special occasion in February.

Anniversary congratulations to Joan & Tom Trank PGK on 54 years married. And, Fr. John F. Murray on 54 years ordained.

Congratulations to Russell Petrocelli, DD. Elected to 3-year term on the Board of Directors of NJ Principals & Supervisors Association (NJPSA).

Tips from Pope John XXIII to live a better life: Only for today, I will adapt to circumstances, without requiring all circumstances to be adapted to my own wishes.

Healthy Food Notes: Artichokes...aid digestion, lower cholesterol, help stop strokes, control blood pressure and blocks diarrhea.

Polar Bear Plunge...On Sat, Feb 26, 2011, thousands of friends, families and brother Knights will gather in Seaside Heights, NJ for the 18th Annual Polar Bear Plunge to benefit Special Olympics New Jersey. I hope you will help me, PSD Tom Ciborski, raise money for this important event. Or better yet, come and join the team! We can always use another Polar Penquin!!!!

Bergen Federation...annual Communion Breakfast, Sun, Mar. 6 at Fiesta in Wood Ridge. Mass at the Assumption 9:30am Wood Ridge.

Reservations Procedure

Important note: please leave the names of your guests when making your reservation.

Reservations for all of our functions are a must! There are two (2) ways to reserve your place or table:

1. Call 201-387-9750; let it ring until you hear menu and press #3. Leave your name, phone #, and # of guests with their names.
2. Email reservations to: kofc1345reservations@gmail.com. This is the preferred method. Leave all of the same information as above.

Membership & Recruitment Activities

St. John's Council is hosting a Third Degree on Friday, Feb 18, 2011. This Degree is in honor of George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN who is still very actively involved in making St. John's Council #1345 the best in NJ. I strongly encourage all Second Degree Knights to continue their journey to complete Knighthood and take their Third Degree here at this time.

All our Third Degree Knights should come out to witness this degree to support our council and the new Third Degree Knights. The Council will be closed to all other activities that night. Only members with a valid Third Degree ID card will be admitted. All candidates must present a valid Second Degree card. All Brother Knights who come to this Degree should be properly attired, coat & tie, dress shoes, etc.

The Degree will start promptly at 8:00pm and no one will be allowed to enter the Chamber after that time, so get there early. The Council will be open by 7:00pm. Enter by the front door only, and arrive no later than by 7:30pm. Contact me for any information about the Degree.

If you know of any Catholic gentlemen who may be interested in joining our Order, contact me at any time and bring candidates down to the Council on any Friday night. Brothers, contact me if you want to make your Second or Third degree and I will schedule a time that works for you.

Chancellor John E. McGill, Chairman, 201-384-7511.

Columbiettes News

Start talking to friends and family about our two upcoming events. Reservations are now being taken for our Tea Party which is on Sunday, March 20, from 2 to 5p.m. The cost is adults \$10.00 and children \$7.00 which includes lunch, an assortment of desserts and plenty of tea. To make a reservation, call Nina at 201-338-2617 and reserve your table. Reservations are suggested.

Then, mark the date for our next event...Reminisce, the 50's/60's Band, returns for a show on Friday night May 6. Last year's show was a super hit, and you will not want to miss this one.

Our brother Knights also have a very busy year and are asking the Columbiettes for help. If you can spare just 2 hours to help at an affair, call Steve Martin at 201-262-2764 and sign-up.

Peace, Nina

Financial Secretary Report

Dues: By now you have received your First Dues Notice, mailed in late December. Kindly remit your dues as soon as possible and avoid receiving a Second Notice.

ID Cards: If you paid your dues and have not yet received your new card, call me at 201-338-2617.

Honorary: if you are age 65 with 25 years of consecutive service, you are eligible for Honorary member status, and dues at \$10.00.

Honorary Life: if you are age 70 with 25 years of consecutive service, you are eligible for Honorary Life member status, and no dues payments anymore.

Contact me at 201-338-2617, or write to: FS, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628 or email to pagapdc@aol.com.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN.

Council Scholarship News

Good News! The Committee has voted to expand the program and include two (2) awards to freshmen entering a Catholic High School.

Therefore, this year there will be 4 scholarship awards...2 for freshmen entering college, and 2 for freshmen entering Catholic H.S.

Applications for this year's awards will be available at the Council beginning Friday, Feb. 4. They can be picked up at council meetings, any Friday night, or mail by calling me at 201-338-2617.

Mail completed applications + transcripts to Scholarship, George DiCostanzo, 70 Dulles Drive, Dumont, NJ 07628. Must be received by April 30. The next day is too late and will be rejected.

George DiCostanzo, PGK, PFN, Chairman

Past Grand Knight Dinner Dance

On Saturday, Feb. 12 we gather to celebrate the term of our Past Grand Knight Tom Ciotti. Menu includes: appetizer & salad, pasta, entrée, dessert, beverage, coffee/tea, and DJ Rich music. Doors open 6:30pm; cost is \$27.00 each. Let's have a good turnout for Tom.

Return the bottom of the enclosed flyer with your reservations and check payable to St. John's Council or make reservations at 201-387-9750 menu #3, or email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com.

PGK George DiCostanzo, Chairman

Church Activities Report

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm. The next rosary is Wed, Feb 9. Refreshments served afterwards.

Men's Cornerstone...all men age 18 & older are invited to a mini-retreat Friday night and Saturday Feb. 11-12 at St. John's Church. Come and hear testimonies of men who have overcome great obstacles in their lives. For more info, call me at 201-384-0972.

George Corbo, Director

Atlantic City Bus Trip

Trump Plaza Casino, Sunday Feb 20, 2011, cost is \$25.00 per person. Casino will give back \$25.00. Bus leaves at 8:30 am; doors open at the Knights hall at 7:30am for a light breakfast. Contact Tom Schmidt 201-385-4871 to reserve your seat on the bus.

Tom Schmidt, Chairman

Super Bowl Party

The Columbian Club will host its annual Super Bowl Party on Sun, Feb 6, 2011. The doors open at 5:00pm. The cost is \$15 if reservation is made by February 1, 2011. The cost will be \$20 at the door.

Our menu of hot dogs, ziti, sausage and peppers, chicken wings and beverages will be offered. Contact Steven Martin at 201-262-2764 if you wish to make a reservation.

PGK Steve Martin, Chairman

Dates to Remember

Boy Scout Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:00pm.

Sun, Jan. 30 Corporate Communion Mass-SMA 8am.
Mon, Jan. 31 Columbian Club meeting 8pm.
Sun, Feb. 6 **Setup 2pm.** Super Bowl Party 5pm.
Mon, Feb. 7 Council meeting 8pm.
Wed, Feb. 9 Rosary hour 8pm.
Thurs, Feb. 10 **Setup 7pm.**
Fri, Feb. 11 DHS Drama Club fundraiser 7pm.
Sat, Feb. 12 **Setup 12pm.** PGK Dinner Dance 7pm.
Lincoln's Birthday.
Mon, Feb. 14 St. Valentine's Day. Officer meeting 8pm.
Wed, Feb. 16 Columbiette meeting 7:30pm.
Thurs, Feb. 17 **Setup 7pm.**
Fri, Feb. 18 **Council Closed.** Third Degree 7pm.
Sat, Feb. 19 **Setup 12pm.**
Sun, Feb. 20 Atlantic City bus trip, doors open at 7:30am.
Rental – Troop #123 1-5pm. Blue & Gold.
Mon, Feb. 21 Council meeting 8pm. *Washington's birthday.*
Thurs, Feb. 24 **Setup 7pm.**
Fri, Feb. 25 Baez Fundraiser 7pm.
Sat, Feb. 26 **Setup 12pm.**
Sun, Feb. 27 Rental – Troop #131 4-8pm. Blue & Gold.

Business Services Directory.

Business Owner Members...add your name to a growing list of member Knights in business that offer services to our members. Send name of business, contact name, phone number or email, type of business and service you provide. Mail to: Business List, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628.
Next publication of the listing will be in the March newsletter.

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts

Troop 1345 remains active through the winter months. In Feb, the Troop will be visiting Philadelphia while staying on at overnight encampment on the Battleship New Jersey. In March, the Troop is planning a weekend trip to Gettysburg.

Troop 1345 is proud to have several boys that are quickly approaching Eagle Scout status. The Troop has one boy preparing for his Eagle Scout Board of Review, and five other boys that are starting to plan their Eagle Scout Leadership projects.

On March 12, the Troop will be participating in a walk for the Muscular Dystrophy Association to support one of our own Scouts that, despite his physical limitations, strives to be the best he can every day, and has his goals set on eventually becoming an Eagle Scout. The 2011 Metro NY/NJ/CT MDA Muscle Walk will take place on Saturday, March 12 at 11:00am at the Prudential Center in Newark. Anybody that is interested in joining Team Cassidy to aid in the fight against neuromuscular disease, please contact the troop.

Troop 1345 is appreciative of the continued support from the Knights of Columbus. This April will mark our third anniversary.
Keith Hilcken, Scoutmaster

Hungry & Homeless

Our January 12 feeding was cancelled due to the snowstorm. Our next feeding is April 27. The other dates on our schedule are July 13 and Oct. 12. Please mark your calendar with these dates.

This is my final report as Chairman. Thanks to all who helped me through the year's helping to feed the needy. God Bless.

Bill Horn, Chairman

St. Joseph the Worker Support Ministry

St. Mary's Church in Dumont is offering employment assistance for those unemployed. The group meets every second Friday of the month at the School Library at 7:30pm. For more information, call Fr. Bob or Fr. Raul at the Rectory...201-384-0557.

Hall Rental & Catering



photo courtesy of Brian O'Dowd

Planning a party! Dates available for February, March, and April. We cater any type of party at reasonable rates. Call George D at 201-338-2617 for more information.

Help always needed for rentals and council events. Call Steve at 201-262-2764 and volunteer to work one event.

Fr. Murray Scholarships for Squires

This invitation is intended for Squires who are in good standing and will be entering Catholic High School in September 2011.

Requirements are to have maintained a "B" or 3.0 average in the 7th and 8th grades. Applications available at the Council or from Grand Knight & must be completed and returned by March 1, 2011.

All applications have to have an "Official" School transcript attached or they will not be accepted. Applications must be forwarded to the State Chairman of the Fr. Murray Scholarship by April 1st to be considered.

*Bill Bochicchio, FDD, State Chairman,
Fr. John F. Murray Scholarship Fund.*

Bus Trip to New Haven

Bishop O'Connor Assembly 0647 4th Degree is now planning a bus trip to Supreme in New Haven, CT on Sat, Jun. 4, 2011. The Bus will leave Holy Trinity Church parking lot in Hackensack at 8:30am and return by 7:00pm. We will visit St. Mary's Church, K of C Museum and eat lunch in New Haven.

The trip is open to all Knights of Columbus members, family and friends who call and make reservations for seats on the bus in advance. The bus will accommodate 49 passengers so make reservations as soon as possible. The cost of the trip will be finalized by the next newsletter. To obtain additional information and make reservations, call John McGilchrist at 201-833-2031.

New Year's Eve Party



Photo courtesy of Brian O'Dowd

A snapshot of guests enjoying food and fellowship at our New Year's Eve party. Can you recognize person with hat center of photo?

St. Patrick's Dinner Dance.

Hold the date, March 26 7pm-11pm. Frankie Curran Band. Bangers and mash, corned beef, assorted cheese's. \$27 per person, early reservations suggested.

Your leprechaun, Al Moriarty