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January, 2011

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

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

This year starts off marvelously for St. John's Council. As we recite in our meeting closing prayer – “*Mary, Queen of the Knights, Pray for Us.*” January 1, the beginning of a new year, begins with the Feast of Our Mother of God.

Have a blessed, happy, and healthy New Year. God Bless!

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,

As I write this in the middle of December, Advent has arrived and the Christmas Season is in high gear. Our new Nativity display has been set up at the Dumont Borough Hall. Also as we did in prior years the “Keep Christ in Christmas” banners have been displayed at different churches. I wish to thank the various Pastors and their congregations for their participation.

When you read this both the Christmas Party and the Children's Christmas Party will have been held. They were successes, especially with the visit of Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus.

The calendar of events in this new year of 2011 remains as busy as ever. The March for Life bus trip this year is scheduled for January 24. Also keep your calendar open for January 29 to celebrate the birthday of our Chaplain and friend Fr. John Murray. Make your reservations early.

In this month, our Chancellor John E. McGill has reached out to all new candidates to take their Degrees. We will host a Third Degree at our Council on Friday, February 18.

On behalf of the Officers and Trustees, my wife Grace and I, we all wish you and your families a continued happy and holy Christmas Season and a happy, prosperous, and holy New Year.

Vivat Jesus,

DAVE BENSON

Dave Benson, Grand Knight

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of the Family of St. John's Council #1345**

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Troop #1345 Boy Scouts

Scoutmaster:	Keith Hilcken	201-993-4476
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Sick & Wake Report – as of Dec. 21, 2010

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	Michael Cremin
Michael Daly	Peter Duffy
Bill Murphy, PGK	Nicholas Slade
Frank McCoo	Walter Boettger
Richard Burke	George Forbes
Larry Frisby	Timothy Keating
Brian O'Dowd	<i>Carmine Grillo, Jr.</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;
Elizabeth (Lily) Leyden, wife of Kevin Leyden;
Jason Van Arsdale, nephew of John E. McGill;
Joe Nuccitelli, PFN, Bishop O'Connor Assembly;
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.
Rev. Raymond Filipski,
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.
Peggy Taryla, cousin of Chuck Hollis;

Wakes

Upcoming Degree Dates

First Degree: Tues, Jan. 11 at Westwood Council;
Second Degree: Mon, Jan. 24 at No. Arlington Council;
Third Degree: Fri, Feb. 18 at Dumont Council;
Fourth Degree: April, 2011 in Parsippany.

Lecture Program

For the January lecture on Monday Jan. 17 at 9:00pm, Dr. Paul Witek will discuss "Made in His Image and Likeness: A Discussion on Natural Law."

Geoffrey Sadock, Lecture Chairman

Hold the Dates

Sunday, Feb. 6 – Super Bowl party – 5pm;
Saturday, Feb. 12 – PGK Dinner honoring PGK Tom Ciotti 7pm;
Sunday, Feb. 20 – Atlantic City Bus Trip

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to members celebrating a birthday or a special occasion in January, especially Fr. John Murray SMA on Jan. 25.

Tips from Pope John XXIII to live a better life: Only for today, I will take the greatest care of my appearance: I will dress modestly; I will not raise my voice; I will be courteous in my behavior; I will not criticize anyone; I will not claim to improve or to discipline anyone except myself.

National "Do Not Call" line: call 888-382-1222 to block your cell phone number from receiving telemarketing calls.

Healthy Food Notes: Apricots – combat cancer, control blood pressure, saves eyesight, shields against Alzheimer's, and slows aging process.

Honoring a Fallen Hero - The post office at 216 Westwood Avenue, in Westwood, NJ is now officially the "Sgt. Christopher R. Hrbek Post Office". Sgt. Hrbek was killed in action in Afghanistan in January 2010.

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

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.

Members please contact me if you want to make your Second or Third degree and I will schedule a time that works for you. All degrees start at 8:00PM.

Keep in mind St. John's Council Third Degree on Friday, February 18, 2011. I strongly encourage all Second Degree Knights to take their Third Degree at this time. All Third Degree Knights should come out and witness our Third Degree and support the Council and the new Third Degree Knights. Contact me for any information about future Degrees at 201-384-7511.

Chancellor John E. McGill, Membership

Columbiettes News

My dear Sister Columbiettes, I cannot believe that we will be celebrating our sixth year in 2011. The years have blown by very quickly, but we have accomplished more than we ever thought possible. Our numbers have grown and our Chapter has flourished.

We have a lot to look forward to in 2011. Our tea party on March 20th, and on May 6 the 50's Band Reminisce. God has truly blessed St. John's Columbiettes and we should take time to thank Him every day.

Our next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, January 19th. We're trying to plan a dinner for that evening to have an after- Christmas & New Year celebration.

May you all have a Happy and very Healthy New Year.

Peace, Nina

Scholarship Donations

Our scholarship program benefits the children and grandchildren of members. If you would like to make a donation to the Scholarship Fund, your donation will be appreciated and will help to expand the program. Any amount is appreciated...\$5, \$10, \$15, or more. No amount is too small.

Mail your donation to: Scholarship Fund, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628.

Applications for this year's awards will be available in February at the Council any Friday night after 8pm, or call me 201-338-2617.

George DiCostanzo, PGK, PFN, Chairman

Church Activities Report

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm. The next session is Wed, Jan. 12. Refreshments served afterwards.

George Corbo, Director

Columbian Club Report

Hall Renting & Catering available to our members and their families. For more information, call George D at 201-338-2617, or visit our website: kofc1345.org, and click on Hall Rental.

Help Needed... Please help by volunteering for 2-4 hours. We have an URGENT need for help to keep our rentals going, which benefits us all with our beautiful building.

Jerry Passano, President

Light Up For Christ



The Council gathered at Dumont Boro Hall for the annual blessing service of our Nativity Creche on Tuesday, Dec. 7. Rev. Raul Gaviola of St. Mary's Church Dumont did the service.

This is our new Creche, built this year by Ed Kostka. Thank you Ed for a job well done.

Father Murray Scholarship Dance

Please join us for this evening of good food and friendship on January 29, 2011.

Our entrée will be sliced loin of Pork with stuffing, accompanied with vegetables. Salad and pasta will also be served. Optional dishes of chicken, fish, or vegetarian will be available by advance request only.

This dance funds the Council's donations which assist family members and relatives of our Brother Knights for educational costs and fees. Our Council has been able to increase our donations over the past several years in large part to the support we receive for this Dinner Dance. A flyer is enclosed with this Bulletin. Please make your reservations for this great evening early and mail in your check.

PGK Steve Martin, Chairman

Hungry & Homeless

Our next feeding date is January 12, 2011. Please save some time to help on Jan. 11 and 12 or either one.

Remember, turkeys are still needed if you have one, you are not going to use, please call me and I will pick it up- 201-385-7652.

Thank you.

Bill Horn, Chairman

Email Notification List

If you would like to add your name to our "email notification list", please write to: Editor, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628.

Include your name, email address, and phone number. You will receive notices about wake calls, meeting reminders, and other Council stuff.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN, Editor

2011 Dues Notices

First notice dues bills were mailed in mid-December, and are payable in January. Please mail in your dues promptly.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN

Dates to Remember

Note: setups for rentals & council events are on Thursday's at 6:30pm, unless otherwise specified.

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

Mon, Jan. 3 Council meeting 8pm.
Fri, Jan. 7 Pizza Night 8pm.
Sat, Jan. 8 Rental Setup 10am Lounge, help needed.
Rental - 7pm.
Feast of the Epiphany.
Sun, Jan. 9 Remove Christmas Decorations.
Mon, Jan. 10 Officer meeting 8pm.
Wed, Jan. 12 Rosary Hour 8pm.
Mon, Jan. 17 Martin Luther King Day
Council meeting 8pm.
Wed, Jan. 19 Columbiette meeting 7:30pm.
Sun, Jan. 23 Breakfast - Troop 1345 Scouts 8am-12pm.
Mon, Jan. 24 March for Life bus trip
Thurs, Jan. 27 Setup 6:30pm.
Sat, Jan. 29 Fr. Murray Scholarship Dance 7pm.
Sun, Jan. 30 Corporate Communion Mass-St. Mary's 7:45am.
Mon, Jan. 31 Columbian Club meeting 8pm.
Sun, Feb. 6 Super Bowl Party 5pm.
Fri, Feb. 11 DHS Drama Club fundraiser 7pm.
Sat, Feb. 12 PGK Dinner Dance 7pm.
Sun, Feb. 20 Atlantic City bus trip

Friday Night Socials

Complimentary snacks are served every Friday night at 9pm as part of our Friday social gatherings for our members and their friends.

Lou Pidi, Friday Night Chairman

Business Services Directory.

Add your name to a growing list of member Knights in business that can service other members when needed. Latest edition enclosed in with this newsletter.

Send name of business, contact name, phone number or email, and what type of business and service you provide.

Mail to: Business List, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628.

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts

The Troop is hosting a breakfast on Sunday, Jan. 23 from 8am to 12 noon. Contact Scoutmaster for more details.

Questions about the Troop, or interest in Scouting, contact Keith by email at scoutmaster1345@aol.com, or at 201-993-4476.

Keith Hilcken, Scoutmaster

Past Grand Knight Dinner Dance

Mark the date.....Saturday, February 12, 2011. The night we gather to honor our Past Grand Knight Tom Ciotti. Details to follow

PGK George DiCostanzo, Chairman

Atlantic City Bus Trip

Sunday, February 20, 2011. Complete information in the February newsletter when we will have details of the Casino.

You can make your reservations now if you wish. Follow the regular reservation procedure as mentioned on page 3.

Tom Schmidt, Chairman

Squire Update

At their meeting in December, the Squires inducted two new members...Daniel Bontia and Ryan Flanagan.

They also elected a new Chief Squire...Thomas James Passano, son of Columbian Club President Jerry Passano. Congratulations Thomas.

Catholic boys between the ages of 10 and 17 are candidates for the Squires Circle at our Council. Contact Thomas at 201-384-4894.

Photos from the Christmas Party PGK George Olszewski Honoree



PGK George Olszewski was honored posthumously at this year's Christmas Party. Accepting the plaque from GK Dave Benson was George's neighbor and friend Mary Cox, accompanied by her husband.

The Claus Family



Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus and their elves were special guests at the Christmas party. A special thanks to Tony Tulli and his wife Sheila who do such a wonderful job not only at the party but also the next day at the Children's Christmas party.

From left: Elf Gloria Horn, Santa (Tony Tulli), Mrs. Claus (Sheila) and Elf Nina DiCostanzo. Elf Donna Hayes was at the Children's party.

Super Bowl Party

Sunday, February 6, 2011 starting at 5pm. Complete details in the next newsletter.

Proceeds from this party go to the ASCPG (the American Special Children's Pilgrimage Group). The group takes developmentally disabled children to Lourdes each year during Easter week.

So, not only is it a good time enjoying the Super Bowl, but you will also be making a donation for a great cause.

PGK Steve Martin, Chairman

Wake Notice Call List

Notice to members in the local area of our Council who do not have access to E-Mail. We are up dating our telephone Wake Call list.

If you would like your name added, send a short note to Sick & Wake Chairman Ed Kostka at 50 Holt Street, Dumont, NJ 07628. Be sure to include your full name, address, and phone number.

Ed Kostka, Sick & Wake Chairman

Are you or someone you know unemployed?

Join the job search workshops offered by St. Joseph the Worker Ministry.

Where? The Parish Life Center at St. John's in Bergenfield, 29 N. Washington Ave, Bergenfield.

When? Mondays

Need more information? Contact Jack Weldin, Jr at 201-385-8360 or email st._joseph_the_worker@yahoo.com.