



The Knight Times

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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

Dear Friends,

We begin a New Year, 2013. A year to start anew, a year to strive to be better than we were last year. As we begin this new year let us recommit ourselves to our faith. Let us continue to pray for peace throughout the world and continue to pray for religious freedom especially in our own country.

We must also pray for an end to abortion as we mark the March for Life at the end of this month of January and pray for a greater respect and understanding that all life is precious from the womb until the tomb. Let us adhere to the words of our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI as he speaks about a greater respect for life: *"Love for all, if it is sincere, naturally tends to become a preferential attention to the weakest and poorest. In this vein we find the Church's concern for the unborn, the most fragile, the most threatened by the selfishness of adults and the darkening of consciences."*

The Church continually reiterates what was declared by the Second Vatican Council against abortion and all violations of unborn life: "from the moment of its conception life must be guarded with the greatest care" (Gaudium et spes 51).... To the Virgin Mary, who welcomed the Son of God made man with faith, with her maternal womb, with loving care, with nurturing support and vibrant with love, we entrust our commitment and prayer in favour of unborn life."

May God be Praised.

Fr. Dominic

Fr. Dominic Ciriaco, Chaplain

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

Dear Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Squires & Scouts,

If you didn't receive this, our January Knight Times Newsletter sometime in January, 2013 that may be because in accordance with the Mayan Calendar, the End of the World occurred on Friday, December 21, 2012. In my opinion, I DO NOT believe this would happen at this time. I believe God would never call for our utter destruction and the Final Judgment on a Friday. Especially, NOT on the Friday before Christmas Day!

However be aware and vigilant that it may occur on any Monday Morning in the future. Many people think and pray for the world to end on Monday morning! We may also fall off the Financial Cliff on January 1, 2013 at 12:01 am. If our stubborn, uncompromising political leaders in Washington DC allow this to happen, all our government paid "Entitlements" may have to be severely cut or eliminated and all of us middleclass "Entrepreneurs" who make enough money to pay taxes will lose all our tax deductions.

I DO NOT believe this will happen on 12:01 New Years Day either. But if it does, wouldn't it be fun to be celebrating at our New Year's Eve Party down at the Hall having a last fling! I hope many of you have made reservations for our New Year's Eve Party and that I see you there. Just in case I'm wrong about this!

We Catholics are a people of Faith. So keep the Faith! The Council has a lot of things planned for 2013. Please come down to Council and get involved, participate and have fun by helping put our principles, Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism into action. They are NOT mere words but principles we should live our lives by and always practice in our daily lives!

Our next big Council event in January is the Fr. Murray Scholarship Dinner-Dance. Our Chaplain Emeritus, Fr. Murray will celebrate his 90th Birthday with us that night, and I'm looking forward to seeing him there. I know Fr. Murray is counting the days, looking forward to seeing as many Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Squires, Scouts and special friends as possible there too. Please make every effort to attend. Come out and have fun at this momentous event that you will look back on fondly for years to come!

I have Faith that the year 2013 will not only be a good year but a great year for St John's Council, Our Country and Our Holy Catholic Church. Please read this newsletter, be informed, get more involved in Our Council, and in your Parish Church. I, the Grand Knight and your Officers in both the Council and the Twin-Boro Columbian Club are always here to serve you. But we need your input and support to make St. John's Council #1345 successful and ever growing in its mission of Charity and to support Our Priests and Our Catholic Churches. May God bless all of us. Have a Happy, Healthy New Year in 2013!

Vivat Jesus,

John E. McGill

John E. McGill,
Grand Knight

2012-2013 Officers, Chairmen, Directors, & Auxiliaries
of the Family of St. John's Council #1345

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Bar:	(open)	
Cooks & Kitchen:	Jerry Passano	201-403-8980
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Chief Counselor:	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695
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Scoutmaster:	Keith Hilcken	201-993-4476
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Sick & Wake Report - as of Dec. 20, 2012.

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

Members

Dick Dorozynski	Fred Jacobsen, PGK
Bill Murphy, PGK	Nicholas Slade
Frank McCoo	Walter Boettger
Richard Burke	Anthony Martignetti
Fr. John Murray, SMA	John Dillon, FDD, PGK
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Joe Carpanzano	Bill Deegan
Ted De Steno	Jos. Staszewski,
Michael Cremin	Geo. DiCostanzo, FS, PGK
Jack O'Brien	

Relatives & Friends

Adele Witkowski, widow of Jos. Witkowski;
Annette Karash, mother of Joseph Karash;
Ann Marsigliano, sister-in-law of Jack Marsigliano;
Ann Taxter, wife of Al Taxter;
Billy Whelan, son of Jim Whelan.
Candice Barnes, friend of Geoff Sadock.
Dianne Malesky, wife of Ken Malesky;
Francine Corbo, wife of George Corbo;
Frank Grana, brother-in-law of Linda Grana;
Gregory Sforza, friend of council.
Herta Nelson, mother in law of Ed Trawinski;
Jonathan Jacobi, grandson of the late PGK F. Messina;
Kay Slade, wife of Nicholas Slade.
Kristi Marie, granddaughter of Frank Uvenio.
Millie Graziano, sister-in-law of the late Art Rudolph;
Mona, wife of Tom O'Brien;
Nancy Osborne, sister of John McGill;
Nicole Cafarelli, niece of Bob Wrightington;
Patricia Ianni, wife of Anthony Ianni;
Peggy Brennan, wife of Jos (Pat) Brennan.
Peggy Keating, wife of late Timothy Keating
Robert Segda, father-in-law of Tom Schmidt.
Shilene Sacthell, neice of PGK Ivan Hannibal.
Sue West & Don Trainor, sister & father of Rev Mike Trainor
Zachary Lincoln, great nephew of Dick Dorozynski.
Wife of Bob Knott;

Wakes

*Members: Joseph Devaney; John McKay
Robert Segda, father-in-law of Tom Schmidt;
Peggy Keating, widow of the late Tim Keating;*

New Reservations Procedure

Important note: please include the names of your guests when making your reservation so that they can be listed on seating chart.
Reservations for all of our functions are a must! There are (3) ways to reserve your place or table:
--Email me at papagdc@aol.com and include info as noted below.
--Call me at 201-338-2617. Leave your name, phone #, and names of guests.
--Email reservations to: kofc1345reservations@gmail.com. Leave name, phone # and names of guests. (preferred option.)

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our members celebrating a birthday in January.

Catholic Men's Conference... Saturday, May 2, 2013 at Seton Hall University. Save the date!

Bergen Federation...30th Anniversary celebration on Sunday, Feb. 10, 2013. Mass & Communion Breakfast. Save the date!

The *Catholic League* released the following facts from a recent Gallup Poll. 77% of Americans are Christian; 94% of those who identify with a religion say Christian. That's not bad, considering that the American Atheists would have you believe otherwise.

The US Senate rejected a UN Treaty that would have given all authority over disabled children to governments and not the parents. Contact your US Senator and say thanks for rejecting international law from taking control in our country.

Church Activities Report

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm. The next rosary is Wed, Jan. 9, 2013. Refreshments served after.

George Corbo, Chairman

Prayer for Vocations

"Heavenly Father, your Divine Son taught us to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His vineyard.

We earnestly beg you to bless our Archdiocese and our world with many priest and religious who will love you fervently and gladly and courageously spend their lives in service to your Son's Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Bless our families and our children and choose from our homes those whom You desire for this holy work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen".

Membership & Recruitment Activities

The following gentlemen have now become Brothers in our order. Alexander Garcia received his First Degree, and Robert Unciano received his Second Degree in December. Please join me in welcoming them on their journey to full Knighthood.

St. John's Council will be hosting a Third Degree on Friday, Feb. 1, 2013. Anyone who knows a brother who needs to complete their degrees, please contact me at clgjr1@yahoo.com or call my number in this newsletter. Please do your best to attend this degree ceremony and show your support to your council.

Following are upcoming degree dates:

-First degree - 1/8/13 & 2/12/13 Westwood;

-Second degree - 1/24/13 Rochelle Park;

-Third degree - 2/1/13 St. John's council #1345, Dumont.

We provide the transportation to and from the degree sites.

Carmine Grillo, Membership Chairman

Financial Secretary Report

Dues bills were mailed the beginning of January. When you receive your bill, try to pay to pay it by the end of January. Repeated dues notices to non-payers cost the Council an added expense.

Survey: Enclosed with the dues bill is the annual survey form to gather personal information from you. Most important is the "next of kin" information.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN, 201-338-2617.

Father Murray Scholarship Dinner Dance

Greetings Brothers, please join together and attend the Father Murray Dinner/Dance, on Saturday, January 26, 2013 starting at 7pm.

This year is even more special as it is Father Murray's 90th birthday. We have a great dinner planned; hot hors d'oeuvres, roast beef dinner, potato and vegetable...all the good Father's favorites.

Of course we can't forget the salad, bread and a delicious cake for dessert. All finished off with our 50/50 raffle draw.

Make your reservations now, \$30 a person. Email reservations to papagdc@aol.com, or call 201-338-2617.

Vivat Jesus, Carmine Grillo, Chancellor/Chairman.

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Our Brother Bob Dondero suffered a stroke immediately after by-pass surgery. This is our second fundraiser to help Bob with extra expenses incurred from his crippling stroke; expenses not covered by insurance.

We'll be hosting a Pancake Breakfast fundraiser for Bob on Sunday January 13, 2013 from 8am to 1pm at the council. The cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children age 10 and under. *We will be serving homemade pancakes, bacon, sausage, coffee, tea and juice.*

Please call for reservations to FS, PGK George DiCostanzo 201-338-2617 and help makes this event a huge success for an outstanding gentleman.

Chairman Bill Bochicchio, FDD, PGK,

Co-Chairman Phil Fredericks, PGK

Deputy Grand Knight Message

I hope all of you had a pleasant and Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year. You always see notices going out about how the council needs help. These messages are not sent to annoy anyone, but to gather the brothers for the common good of our council. We have the same 30 - 50 men down here all the time, but they cannot do it alone.

I know we all need to find the time, but when you joined, you offered to find the time for just a couple of hours a year. That's all we are asking and that is what we need. Come down on a Friday night and reconnect with your brothers and find out when YOU can help US. As the Three Musketeers always said "**All for one, and one for all**". Have a great January and stay warm. See you on Friday night!

Chuck Hollis, Deputy Grand Knight

Free to a good home...

The council has two (2) large screen TV's that we are giving away. Although they are old, they still work. You can also hook up your gaming systems to them as a spare TV for the children's games.

All you need to do is contact George DiCostanzo at 201-338-2617 or email papagdc@aol.com. He will make the arrangements for you to come and pick it up.

Dates to Remember

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

Tues, Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Thurs, Jan. 3	Setup 7pm.
Sun, Jan. 6	Rental 1pm-5pm.
Mon, Jan. 7	Council general mtg 8pm.
Wed, Jan. 9	Rosary Hour 8pm.
Sun, Jan. 13	Pancake Breakfast 8am-1pm.
Mon, Jan. 14	Officer meeting 8pm.
Thurs, Jan. 17	Setup 7pm.
Sat, Jan. 19	Rental ASCPG 7pm-11pm.
Mon, Jan. 21	Martin Luther King Day Council general meeting 8pm.
Tues, Jan. 22	Newsletter mailing 10am.
Thurs, Jan. 24	Setup 7pm.
Fri, Jan. 25	March for Life bus trip to Wash, DC Fr. John F. Murray's birthday
Sat, Jan. 26	Fr. Murray Scholarship Dance 7pm.
Sun, Jan. 27	Rental 2pm-6pm.
Tues, Jan. 29	Columbian Club meeting 8pm.
Sun, Feb. 3	Super Bowl Party 5pm.

Columbette Report

Your Officers would like to wish all of you and your families a Happy, Healthy & Blessed "2013"!

-January 16, 2013 DINNER Meeting – at il Mulino Restaurant in Dumont. Just \$20.00 per person (*cash only please*). You will need to make a reservation ASAP if you haven't done so already. Call Joan @ 201.696.1159 or email Laura at labetti250@optonline.net. (sorry, members only).

-Degrees: Members who still need to make their Major Degree are in luck. Our Auxiliary hopes to host the next one in early March. Candidates from across the Chapter will be coming to St. John's Council for this ceremony. Please make every effort to take your degree at our event as this will be the only one held in our area this year.

-Our Auxiliary is also preparing to host a First Degree and is recruiting new members. Now is the perfect time to join the fun while raising funds to help those in need within our communities. For additional info call Joan @ 201.696.1159 or eMail Laura at labetti250@optonline.net.

-Dues: It is that time again. Laura will be collecting dues until the February meeting. Dues are \$25.00 (\$20 dues + \$5 State raffle).

Joan Winant. Secretary / Publicity

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

Troop 1345 will be hosting its annual weekend camping event in Stony Point NY this January, where young cub scouts are invited up with their parents for the weekend to experience some winter camping, cooking, and outdoor activities. These young scouts get a feel for what it is like to be a Boy Scout, and hopefully someday will continue in Boy Scouting as they get older.

The Troop collected 26 new toys and 3 new bicycles for Christmas to be distributed to needy families devastated by Hurricane Sandy. One of the bicycles will go to a needy family right here in Dumont, while most of the other toys and bikes will go down the shore to families in that area.

The Troop is also looking into volunteer opportunities to help in the shore communities in 2013, whether it be cleaning up a devastated area, demolition of a destroyed home or facility, or cooking and serving meals. More information will be sent around after the holidays.

Ray Ziembra, Adult Counselor

Columbian Club Report

Rental Hall & Catering: planning any parties...birthdays, showers, communions, confirmations, anniversaries, weddings... If you are, consider our facility as a possibility, and give us an opportunity to make a proposal.

Come and visit our facility. See the Dining Room and the newly renovated Lounge. Call me at 201-338-2617 to setup a visit.

Buffet dining starts at \$15.00pp and a wedding can be done as low as \$45.00pp. **Good food, Good Service, Affordable Prices.**

PGK George DiCostanzo, Rental Chairman

Keep Christ in Christmas Program

Lawn Signs: The Keep Christ in Christmas program was given a boost when an anonymous member made a substantial cash donation to cover the printing costs of the lawn signs this year. For that reason, we were able to distribute about 250 lawn signs at St. Mary's and St. John's Churches. Seeing so many KCIC signs on lawns was a beautiful sight.

Light Up For Christ: members gathered to "light up the nativity crèche" on Tues, Dec 4 joining other councils across the Order. Fr. Michael Trainor from St. Mary's did the blessing and prayers.

Ed Kostka, KCIC Chairman

Council Scholarship News

Applications for this year's Council scholarships will be available on Feb. 1, and can be picked up at the bar on a Friday or a meeting night. Or, call me at 201-338-2617 for a copy to be mailed. A brochure on K of C scholarships is also available free of charge.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, Chairman

Mark the Date

Sunday, Feb. 3, 2013 Super Bowl Party at the Council. Doors open at 5:00pm. Cost per person is \$25.00. Call PGK Steve Martin at 201-262-2764 and let him know you're coming.

Food and beverage will be served. The proceeds are donated to the ASCPG (American Special Children's Pilgrimage Group) for their annual Easter week pilgrimage to Lourdes, France.

Carry Your Rosary Everyday

When you carry a Rosary, Satan has a headache.

When you use it, he collapses.

When he sees you praying it, he faints.

Let us pray the rosary every time, so that he'll keep fainting.

Business Services Directory.

The current list of our members offering services you made be in need of is enclosed in this mailing. Take a few minutes to review it. If you need any of these services now or at a later date, please consider calling our member. You'll be well satisfied with results.

G. DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN, Editor

Photo Gallery



Left: Frank Uvenio, Veteran's recognition; Center: PGK Lou Pidi recognition; Right: Mr/Mrs Claus (the Tulli's) and elves (Gloria & Nina), & GK J. McGill.



Nativity Creche in town, with GK John McGill, Fr. Mike Trainor from St. Mary's Church, and other members at Light Up For Christ ceremony.