



# The Knight Times

St. John's Council #1345, Knights of Columbus  
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*JULY-AUGUST, 2010*

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## CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

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

About 15 years ago, a Bishop had an article in Columbia, the K of C magazine, that all Catholic men should be members of the largest Catholic Lay Organization in the Mystical Body, the Knights of Columbus. Yes, that was the Bishop's dream.

Our State Motto is "Recapture the Dream", and with Our Lord's words "Serve not to be Served", and we of the K of C SERVE. So let this Columbian Year be great as St. John's Council is great in their 103<sup>rd</sup> year.

Congratulations of all the new Officers of the GREAT COUNCIL and many thanks to all the former Officers. Please God, I'll see many people at St. John the Evangelist Church for the installation ceremony in July.

Being the July-August issue of the "Knight Times", I didn't forget a prayer for a safe vacation but please God you won't forget there is NO VACATION FROM GOD. The prayer is a mixture of my words with St. Matthew's chapter 28:20. "*Dear Lord, please take care of all of us (my family and myself). Protect all of us in these trying times. We ask all of this through Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever, Amen.*"

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 is with great humility that I accept the position of Grand Knight of St. John's Council #1345 for the Columbian Year 2010-2011. I have been asked to fill the shoes of men who I am proud to call "Brothers". And, with the assistance of the Officer's and Trustee's, we as a team will succeed in this new Columbian Year. But, this requires the help of All my brothers to become active.

This means help during our Recruitment Drives at all the churches; as well as the Annual Rose Drive, the Collection Drive, and many more examples of where help is always needed. In addition, we also assist at our church carnivals. In all of these, we request the assistance of our Columbiettes, Squires, and Boy Scouts.

During the Christmas season one of our major programs is the "Keep Christ in Christmas" program. We display banners in several locations, and setup the Nativity Creche at Dumont Boro Hall and St. Mary's Church. Our children have not been forgotten. On Halloween and Christmas parties are held for them. Food and toys are donated for the needy adults and children at Christmas. These are only a few of the charitable works that we hope to accomplish in this year.

The installation of Officers will be held on Saturday, July 31, 2010 at St. John the Evangelist Church in Bergenfield. Mass is at 3:30pm, followed by a reception at the Council. As with all events, reservations are required. See the ad inside for the phone number and email address for reservations.

Vivat Jesus,

*DAVE BENSON*

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
Grand Knight	David Benson	201-385-1839
Deputy GK:	Lou Pidi	201-439-1985
Chancellor	John McGill	201-384-7511
Warden	George Corbo	201-384-0972
Recorder	Charles Hollis	201-265-6012
Treasurer	William Horn	201-385-7652
Advocate	Edward Trawinski	201-385-0972
Financial Secy:	Grant Morgan	201-943-7282
Inside Guard	Carmine Grillo, Jr.	201-244-6579
Outside Guard I	Martin Naughton	201-387-1103
Outside Guard II	Tony Tulli	201-385-6148
Trustee – 3 yrs.	Steve Martin, PGK	201-262-2764
Trustee – 2 yrs.	Tom Trank, PGK	201-385-4324
Trustee – 1 yr.	B. Bochicchio, FDD, PGK	201-385-9015
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent	Don Stappenbeck	201-664-2599

**Council Chairmen & Directors**

Church Activities:	George Corbo	201-384-0972
Community Affairs:	Carmine Grillo, Jr.	201-244-6579
Council Activities:	Lou Pidi	201-439-1985
Drug Awareness:	Keith Hilcken	201-933-4476
Event Reservations:	Charles Hollis	201-387-9750, #3.
Family Activities:	Charles Hollis	201-265-6012
Loaves & Fishes:	William Horn	201-385-7652
Mail Committee:	George DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Membership:	John McGill	201-384-7511
Parish Liaison's:		
-St. John Church	Bob Knott	201-501-8737
-St. Mary Church	Carmine Grillo, Jr	201-244-6579
-SMA Mission	John McKay	201-244-1237
Parish Roundtable:	GK Dave Benson	201-385-1839
Program Director:	Lou Pidi	201-439-1985
Publicity-Photog:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Rel & Civil Rgts:	PGK Tom Ciotti	201-424-5472
Respect for Life:	PGK Matt Hayes	201-387-2310
Retention:	Lou Pidi	201-439-1985
Retreat:	Tony Tulli	201-385-6148
Scholarship:	PGK G. DiCostanzo	201-338-2617
Sick & Wake:	Ed Kostka	201-387-9482
Squires:	PGK Phil Fredericks	201-321-6695
Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-8828
Youth Activities:	PGK Ivan Hannibal	646-528-9592

**Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers**

President:	Jerry Passano	201-384-4894
Vice President:	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695
Secretary:		
Treasurer:		
Purchasing Agent:	Charles Dietz	201-384-7106
Rentals Agent:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Bar Chairman:	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695
Waiter Chairman:	Steven Martin, PGK	201-262-2764
Trustee:	Peter McHugh	201-387-6274

**Columbiette's Ladies Auxiliary**

President:	Robert Elwell	201-244-1323
Vice-Pres:	Donna Fredericks	201-387-6680
Secretary:	Joan Winant	201-385-5957
Financial Secy:	Laura Labetti	
Treasurer:	Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617
Sentinel:	Ann Schmidt	201-385-4871

**Squires – Dominic Savio Circle #1622**

Chief Squire:	Thomas Formoso, Jr.	201-501-8911
Chief Counselor:	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695

**Boy Scouts – Troop #1345**

Scoutmaster:	Keith Hilcken	201-993-4476
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**KNIGHT TIMES NEWSLETTER**

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**Sick & Wake Report**

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	Ken Malesky
Jack O'Brien	Dick Dorozynski
<b>Ed Neumuth</b>	Peter Duffy
Bill Murphy, PGK	Nicholas Slade
	Frank McCoo
Richard Burke	George Forbes
Larry Frisby	Timothy Keating
Fr. John Murray, SMA	Walter Boettger
George Idell	<b>Antonio Fundaro</b>

**Relatives & Friends**

Ann Sanders, mother of Bob Sanders PGK  
Ann Taxter, wife of Al Taxter;  
Anthony Matarazzo, son of Joe Matarazzo, FDD, PGK;  
Barbara, wife of Frank Fawcett;  
Ben, nephew of Dom Panfile  
**Connie Reilly, Columbiette**  
Diane Malesky, wife of Ken Malesky;  
**Elizabeth (Lily) Leyden, wife of Kevin Leyden;**  
**Gloria Horn, wife of Bill Horn, Treasurer;**  
**Jean DeFalco, wife of Eli DeFalco;**  
Jonathan Jacobi, grandson of PGK Frank Messina;  
Judith Laferrera, sister of Fr. Bob, pastor, St. Mary's Church;  
Karen Glover, wife of Ray Glover;  
Louise Zucker, sister of Bob Knott;  
Marie Fitzgerald, wife of Bob Fitzgerald;  
Mona, wife of Tom O'Brien;  
**Nancy Osborne, relative of John McGill;**  
Nicole Cafarelli, niece of Bob Wrightington;  
Norma, widow of late Jim Campbell.  
Raymond Goode  
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.  
Wayne McCormack, NJ State Council Secretary;

**Wakes**

*Jackie Burdy, cousin of OG Charles Hollis;*  
*Rev. Walter Cron;*

**IN MEMORIAM**

**The Council lost four Past Grand Knight's this past Columbian year.**

**PGK's Martin Healy, Tom Manno,  
George Olszewski, Frank Messina.**

**Eternal Rest Unto them O Lord, May they rest in peace, Amen.**

**Upcoming Degree Dates**

First Degree: Tues, July 13 at Westwood Council;  
Second Degree: Tues, July 20 at Secaucus Council;  
Third Degree: to be announced.  
Fourth Degree: October, 2010.

**From the News Desk**

*Birthday* wishes to members celebrating a birthday or a special occasion in July-August. Belated birthday wishes to Grant Morgan June 2.

*Anniversary-Best Wishes* to members celebrating an anniversary in July or August.

*Knights Service Directory*...latest revision enclosed. Call a Knight member if you need any of these services.

*Welcome new members* Sal Donatacci, John Fowler, and Christopher Maimone who transferred to our Council recently.

*Knights of Columbus Family Week* is August 7-15.

*Blood Drive* results.....23 pints of blood were collected.

The *National Organization for Marriage* (NOM) will hold a rally at the State House in Trenton on Tuesday, July 20 from 12 noon to 1:00pm as part of their Summer Marriage Tour building support for marriage across the U.S.

"Charity is the form, mover, mother and root of all the virtues."

~ St. Thomas Aquinas.

**Summer Meetings Schedule**

- Monday, July 12 – Officers meeting, 8pm;
- Tuesday, July 20 – Council meeting, 8pm;
- Monday, Aug. 2 – Council meeting, 8pm;
- Monday, Aug. 9 – Officers meeting, 8pm.

**Installation Mass & Dinner**

Our Installation Mass will be held at St. John the Evangelist Church on Washington Ave, Bergenfield, NJ on Saturday, July 31, 2010 at 3:30 pm. Reception at the Council after mass.

Early reservations are necessary. Call 201-387-9750 press # 3, or email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com. Reservations will close on July 25, 2010.

*Dave Benson, Grand Knight*

**Cash Raffle**

Winners of our Spring Raffle were:

- First Place: John McKay..... \$880.25
- Second Place: Peggy Brennan..... \$251.50
- Third Place: August Triola..... \$125.75

Many thanks to all who participated in this raffle.

*George DiCostanzo, Chairman*

**Membership & Recruitment Activities**

If you know of any Catholic gentlemen who may be interested in joining our order, bring them down to the council on any Friday night. You will be doing them a great service. There is always an officer or a PGK present who will be happy to answer any questions that he might have on becoming a Knight. Call me at 201-384-7511.

*John McGill, Chancellor & Membership Chair*

**San Alfonso Retreat**

Our annual retreat to San Alfonso will be Friday thru Sunday, August 13-15, 2010. The cost is \$175.00 with a \$25 deposit for reservation. Registration is at 4pm on Friday, followed by dinner at 6pm. Departure on Sunday after lunch.

Call me to make your reservation at 201-385-6148. Mail checks to Tony Tulli, 146 Lenox Ave, Dumont, NJ 07628.

Join us for a most enjoyable time of good companionship, good food, and a chance to get closer to God. Relaxing near the shore is beautiful. The theme this year is *The Year of St. Luke...God's Compassion*. Please join us.

*Tony Tulli, Chairman*

**Turning Point Pregnancy Crisis Center**

The Council was able to collect \$134.00 from our Friday Night guests in support of Turning Points "Baby Bottle Drive". Thank you.

*John McGill, Chairman*

**Council Scholarship**

The winners of the \$1000 Scholarship Awards are:

Kaitlyn McCaul, granddaughter of Noel McCaul;

Stephanie Boehm, granddaughter of Bob Writhington.

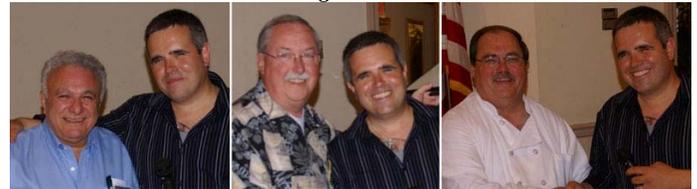
Congratulations to both girls as they begin a new journey in their education career.



*From left: GK Tom Ciotti, Kaitlyn McCaul, Stephanie Boehm, and PGK George DiCostanzo.*

*PGK George DiCostanzo, Chairman*

**Knight and Family of the Year Awards, and Shining Armor Awards**



*Left: Knight of the Year Award winner PGK G. DiCostanzowith GK T. Ciotti. PGK Bob Dondero also recognized as Knight of the Year.*

*Center: Shining Armor Award winner Chuck Hollis with the GK. Carmine Grillo Jr also recognized as Shining Armor winner.*

*Right: Family of the Year winner PGK P. Fredericks with GK Ciotti. PGK Tom Ciotti,*

**Our Catholic Identity and the Future**

*(excerpts from Fr. Robert Sirico-a column in the Detroit News)*

It does not take the training of a professional sociologist to realize that a major cultural shift regarding faith, morals and the place of Christianity is under way in Western Civilization.

Consider the following, which is a mere sampling of recent efforts to undermine the place of faith in the public life of Western democracies:

The European Union's insistence that neither God nor the Christian Church be mentioned in its Constitution, despite the clear historical role belief in the form and the institution of the latter played in the formation of Europe.

The litany of coarse jokes, cheap shots and outright viciousness directed specifically at the person of Christ or the Christian faith on TV and which are passed over by the same people who would readily file hate crime charges against their promoters if addressed to any other religion.

The subtle but clear shift in language away from "freedom of religion" to "freedom of worship" on the part of the current administration, retaining only one dimension of religion (worship). It is freedom of religion, not merely worship, that has been venerated since the American founding.

Just a sample of a cultural shift rejecting Christian revelation's role in the forming of American and Western civilization. There are powerful forces determined to drive not just religious out of the public square, but in particular conservative Christianity, and even more in particular, the Catholic voice.

Christianity has endowed Western Civilization with a priceless heritage. To lose this to a mass amnesia in the culture, would be an inestimable loss to the sense of who we are as a people and to any real hope we might have of building a just and tolerant future.

*George DiCostanzo, PGK, PFN*

### **Dates to Remember**

*Note: setups for rentals & council events are on Thursday's at 7:00pm.  
Boy Scout Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:00pm.*

July 4-5	Independence Day – <i>FLY THE FLAG.</i>
Mon, July 12	Officer's meeting 8pm; first meeting of new group;
Mon, July 19	Golf Outing, 8:30am, Rochleigh CC;
Tues, July 20	Council meeting 8pm, only meeting in July;
Sat, July 31	Installation. 3:30pm mass at St. John's Church, Reception afterwards at Council.
Sun, Aug. 29	Corporate Communion 9:00am at St. John's Church.
Sat, Sept. 11	9-11 Remembrance Day, pray and Fly the Flag; Dumont Day Food Booth 8am to 6pm, help needed.
Sun, Sept. 19	Picnic & Clambake 1:30pm at Council.

### **Friday Night Socials**

Complimentary snacks will continue to be served at 9pm on Friday nights during the summer. Pizza night returns in September.

Anyone interested in cooking or serving a Friday night snack, call me at 201-439-1985.

*Lou Pidi, Deputy Grand Knight,  
Friday Night Social Chairman*

### **Troop 1345 Boy Scouts**

Boy Scout Troop 1345 will be going to summer camp at the Rodney Scout Reservation in Maryland (on the Chesapeake Bay) during the week of July 25-31. There are 25 boys going with the troop this summer, which shows how much the troop has grown over the last 2+ years.

CHILD ID KITS – Troop 1345, in cooperation with the Knights of Columbus, the Dumont Police Department, and the Dumont Board of Education, will be hosting CHILD ID KIT events in September. The first event will be held during Dumont Day on September 11 (rain date September 12).

The second event will be held at one of the Dumont schools on a weekend later in September (date TBD). The Child ID kits will contain photos, fingerprints, and personal information to be used in the event that a person is lost. While the emphasis of the kits is for children, these kits can also be created for older/elderly people that are at risk of being lost. For more information, please visit the website created just for this event:

<https://sites.google.com/site/dumontchildidkits> or send questions to [DumontChildIDkits@gmail.com](mailto:DumontChildIDkits@gmail.com). 15 minutes AT THE EVENT can help you locate your child or loved one in the event they are missing or lost!

Questions about the Troop, or interest in Scouting, contact Keith by email at [scoutmaster1345@aol.com](mailto:scoutmaster1345@aol.com), or at 201-993-4476.

*Keith Hilcken, Scoutmaster*

### **Jim Rush Memorial Golf Outing**

Last call to reserve for the annual Golf Outing Monday July 19th, 2010 at the Rockleigh Golf Course. Contact Mike Cremin at 201-384-2543. Fee of \$110.00 includes cart, greens fee, souvenir, lunch and beverage, plus dinner, awards, and beverages.

### **Hungry & Homeless Feeding**

Our next scheduled date is September 1. Please save some time to help, and if you have a turkey you will not be using consider donating it for our feeding. Thank you all.

*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, PGK, PFN, Editor*

### **Wake Notice Call List**

Notice to any members residing 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 to this list, please 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*

### **4<sup>th</sup> Degree 20 Week Raffle Club**

Bishop O'Connor Assembly is having its annual 20-week raffle offering a chance to win each week, with a weekly prize of \$50, + 3 Grand Prizes of \$250 each. Ticket cost is \$20.

Weekly drawings begin July 22. If you wish to purchase a ticket, call Russ at 201-873-5879 now.

*SK Russ Petrocelli, DD, PGK, PFN, Chairman*

### **Dumont Day**

Saturday, Sept. 11 Dumont celebrates their annual Dumont Day. The Council provides a food booth selling hamburgers from 10am start until 6pm closing. Much help is needed throughout the day.

We begin the day at 8:00am at the Council loading up our supplies and equipment. Then setup at the park to get ready for 10am start.

From 10am to 6pm, we need volunteers for a 2-hour shift to grill burgers, or serve patrons, or collect cash, and at the end to break down the booth and return supplies/equipment back to Council. **We also need help with trucks or SUV's in the AM and PM to haul supplies.**

Call George D 201-338-2617, or email [papagdc@aol.com](mailto:papagdc@aol.com) and let me know if you can help out. This is our first revenue event of the new Columbian year.

*George DiCostanzo, PGK, PFN, Chairman*

### **Columbiettes News**

On Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> three of our Columbiettes received their Major Degree. Congratulations to Kathleen McCabe, Linda Grana and Annette Roge. On June 16 we welcomed three new members Ann Licata, Barbara McEllen and Gerry Reynolds.

Our membership continues to grow. If you know anyone interested in joining please contact Roberta @ 201-244-1323, she will be happy to answer all your questions.

Over the summer please continue to save can tabs, stamps and pennies. Our next scheduled meeting for our new Columbiettes year is on Wednesday, September 15. Hope to see you all there.

We hope to have many wonderful events this coming year starting with our Halloween Tricky Tray which is scheduled for October. Talk to your friends and reserve a table. More details will be available about this event at our first meeting.

May you all have a wonderful summer.

*Peace, Nina*

### **4<sup>th</sup> Degree Past Faithful Navigator Dinner**

Bishop O'Connor Assembly will host its annual Past Faithful Navigator Dinner on Saturday, Sept. 25, 2010 from 7pm to 11pm at St. Michael's Council in Lodi. Honoree is Immediate Past Navigator Joe Nuccitelli. We also recognize our past faithful navigators.

The evening will feature a hot buffet, beer wine and soda, dessert, a DJ, a Military Salute to all Armed Forces, a souvenir to our Ladies and more. The cost is \$ 35.00 per person. We will present Sir Knight and Corpsman of the Year awards.

And to round out the evening, the drawing of the final 3 Grand Prizes of \$250 each of the 20-week raffle.

Call SK Bob Sarao at 201-303-0091 and make your reservations. Let's have a good turnout. The Council and the Assembly have a great relationship, and Joe has supported many of our events.

*SK Bob Sarao, Chairman, 201-303-0091*