



The Knight Times

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July 2024



Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Reverend Fathers, Family and Friends,

I am once again humbled to have been elected for another term as your Grand Knight. This year, as in the past, we will be trying new things to advance our great council through our charitable works and donations. I would like to thank the remaining officers from 2023 – 2024 who are continuing in their position and would like to welcome back our Brother George Corbo, who has stepped up and agreed to be our Recorder. These men do not make the council; however, the council is made by all Brother Knights. I would also like to welcome our new Chaplain, Father Sean Manson who is replacing Father Dermot Roache who has taken on additional responsibilities within the Church and SMA. Good luck to Father Sean as our Chaplain and to Father Dermot for your guidance and friendship over the years, there is always a seat at our table for you.

Installation of Officers will take place on Saturday July 20, 2024 at St. Mary's Church. Mass will be at 3 pm followed by our reception back at the council at 5 pm. Let's pack the house that night!

Please join us for our Annual Ice Cream social on July 26, 2024 at 7 pm. At that time we will also be showing a movie – Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory, with more details to follow. It's a great family night out of the summer heat. So come on down and join your brothers and their families for some summer fun!

Our Cheap Date Nite Dinners seem to be working. Please be on the lookout for our next one, hopefully in August. Have ideas for something for Cheap Date Nite? Just drop me a line and we will see what we can do.

May your thoughts be as glad as the shamrocks. May your heart be as light as a song. May each day bring you bright, happy hours that stay with you all the year long. May God continue to keep us safe and well, till we see each other again.

Vivat Jesus!

Chuck Hollis, Grand Knight, FDD

Chaplain's Message

St. John's Council #1345 welcomes Father Sean Manson, Pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church, as its new Chaplain. We eagerly await his first message in the August edition of the Knight Times.

Council Officers 2023-2024

Chaplain:	Fr. Sean Manson	201-470-7379
Grand Knight:	Charles Hollis, FDD	201-314-8599
Deputy Grand Knight:	Bob Knott	201-675-2802
Chancellor:	Justin Miller	201-421-8915
Warden:	William Flores	917-544-2322
Recorder:	George Corbo	201-450-1205
Treasurer:	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Advocate:	Richard Oldfield	201-220-7127
Financial Secretary:	Kenneth Armellino, FS, PGK	516-220-9333
Inside Guard:	Frank Apablaza	201-362-0770
Outside Guard:	Anthony Marti	917-602-3797
Trustee 1 year:	Steven Martin, DD	201-669-8236
Trustee 2 year:	Brian O'Dowd	201-390-7968
Trustee 3 year:	Frank Gallacher, PGK, PFN	201-357-2683
Lecturer:	Dr. Geoffrey Saddock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent:	Ciriaco (JoJo) Gelera FICF	201-725-2638
District Deputy:	Steven Martin	201-669-8236

Council Chairmen 2023-2024

Church Activities:	Brian O'Dowd	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Kenneth Armellino FS, PGK	516-220-9333
Council Activities:	Steve Martin DD,	201-669-8236
Council Reservations:	Kenneth Armellino FS, PGK	516-220-9333
Family Activities:	Steve Martin DD	201-669-8236
Feeding Homeless:	Chuck Hollis GK, FDD	201-314-8599
Murray Scholarship:	Steve Martin DD	201-669-8236
Membership:	Justin Miller	201-421-8916
Newsletter Editor:	Mike Rowley	201-280-8727
Parish Roundtable:	Ken Armellino FS, PGK	516-220-9333
Program Director:	Bob Knott	201-675-2802
Publicity:	Ken Armellino FS, PGK	516-220-9333
Respect for Life:	Richard Oldfield	201-220-7127
Retention:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Retreat:	Chuck Hollis GK, FDD	201-314-8599
Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Saddock	201-387-0240
	Richard Oldfield	201-220-7127
Sick & Wake:	Jim Callahan	201-655-2634
SMA Mission Rep:	TBA	
St. John Church Rep:	Bob Knott	201-675-2802
St. Mary Church Rep:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers 2023-2024

President:	Steve Martin	201-669-8236
Vice President:	Mike Rowley	201-280-8727
Secretary:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Treasurer:	Adrian Miller	201-803-0388
Trustee:	Jeff Meeks	201-394-7822
Trustee:	Anthony Marti	917-602-3797
Trustee:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333

Columbiette Officers 2023-2024

President:	Genine Armellino	917-992-2011
Vice-President:	Maureen Italiano	201-916-1404
Secretary:	Janet Maniscalco	201-417-0999
Financial Sec:	Nancy Hecker	201-207-0891
Treasurer:	Michele Sciarino	201-387-2916
Sentinel:	Lisa Howell	201-280-4469
Immed Past Pres:	Laura Labetti	201-788-5971

Boy Scouts – Troop #1345

Charter Executive – Rich Merkovsky	201-494-9912
Charter Organization Representative – Jason Reeves	732-403-1943
Scoutmaster – Arthur Rosenberger	201-310-4541

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Healing and Wake Report

As of May 30th, 2024

Bold indicates new name or a change in condition. The Healing List for members, family and friends of members will be updated every 3 months and names will be removed from the list after 3 months. If you want a name to be placed on, removed or placed back on the list, please contact Jim Callahan at 201-655-2634 or jmc712@aol.com.

Members

-Don Wuertz	-Brian O'Dowd
-Dan Taylor	-Larry Rivera, PGK
-Fred Schuldt	-Michael Siano
-Lou Sciarino	-Jeff Martin
-John Graham	-Joseph Welsh
-Andrew Santulli	-Father Dermot Roache, Chaplain
-Bill Flores	

Relatives & Friends

-Janet Trawinski, wife of Edward A. Trawinski, Jr.
-Fr. Ray Filipski, priest at St. John's Church
-Sr. Ann Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray
-Nancy Florio, wife of Ken Florio
-Nancy Hecker, wife of Paul Hecker
-Janice Forlini, Columbiette
-Mary McGowan, wife of Gerald McGowan
-Joyce Tyson, mother of Michelle Sciarino
-Millie Healy, wife of Marty Healy, PGK
-Ann Meyer, wife Herb Meyer, FSD
-Barbara McEllen, Columbiette
-Nina DiCostanzo, Columbiette
-Maryjo Harris, wife of Emil Harris
-Isaac Alcantara, friend of Jim Callahan
-John Roache, father of Fr. Dermot Roache
-Dyane Guardino, daughter of Columbiette, Annette Rogie
-Cathy Hollis, wife of Chuck Hollis, GK
-Roger Carney, brother of Maureen Italiano
-Maria Meeks, wife of Jeff Meeks
-Dolores, O'Dowd, wife of Trustee Brian O'Dowd

Wake

-Linda Beck, Sister in law of Mike Rowley

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 or with Greg Ryan, 201-919-2535

Deputy Grand Knight's Report

Knights are men of prayer and of action. As we enter the new Columbian year, we have plans to strengthen our organization, serve our community, and help grow our brotherhood. We are also men of gratitude, thankful to our God for His providence and thankful to our brothers for their contributions to the life of our council.

Some thoughts on what to pray for - how to pray is a continuous learning experience. Pray for our Church, the Holy Father, bishops, priests, deacons, consecrated and lay persons. Pray for peace! Pray for our country in this perilous time and election year! Pray for ourselves, our families and loved ones. Of course, pray for our council. And don't forget our blessings - so many if we stop to think about them - our freedom, prosperity, health, each other!

This just in! Father Sean Manson has been approved as our new chaplain - give thanks and pray for his success!

Find it hard to pray? You are not alone! I once heard a priest say that the mass is the "prayer par excellence!" There is always the rosary and those prayers memorized from childhood. We also do well by using our own words or just spending quiet time with Our Lord - especially if we can spend that time in His Eucharistic presence! Vivat Jesus!

Bob Knott, Deputy Grand Knight

Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

The 2024-2025 Columbian Year has begun, and I want to thank the officers, trustees and everyone who has helped us in the last year. We face increasing costs in maintaining the Council home, just like every household. But despite those costs we have in the last year made extensive bar renovations, installed a new floor and carpet in the lounge, and made numerous repairs to the building. In addition to those costs and expenses, the officers and trustees of the TBCC would like to let everyone know that a donation of \$2000 was made to the Council to assist in its charitable endeavors. This amount is double last year's donation and is the product of the hard work, long hours and dedication of so many Brothers during the last year and continues the fulfillment every Knight makes to the first principle of our Order - Charity. We hope to continue this work and, as always, seek your help. Please contact me directly at 201-669-8236 to discuss how you can help us. Vivat Jesus!

Steven Martin, Proud TBCC President

Council #1345 Officers for the 2024-25 Columbian Year

Congratulations to the following slate that was elected at the June 17th Council meeting:

Grand Knight	Charles Hollis, PGK
Deputy Grand Knight	Bob Knott
Chancellor	Justin Miller
Warden	William Flores
Recorder	George Corbo
Inside Guard	Frank Apablaza
Outside Guard I	Anthony Marti
Trustee 3-Year	Frank Gallacher, PGK, PFN

TBCC Officers for 2023-24 Columbian Year

Congratulations to the following Twin Boro Columbian Club slate that was elected at the June 17th Council meeting:

President	Steve Martin, PGK
Vice President	Mike Rowley
Treasurer	Adrian Miller
Secretary	Thomas Formoso
Trustee	Ken Armellino
Trustee	Anthony Marti
Trustee	Jeff Meeks

Columbiette Report

"Trees swaying in the summer breeze

Showing off their silver leaves

As we walked by"

(Chad & Jeremy, 1964)

The Columbiettes of New Jersey held their State Convention in June at the Embassy Suites in Piscataway, NJ.

St John's Council #1345 was well represented at the meeting and sessions by our President Genine Armellino and Past President Nina DiCostanzo, and State Advocate Laura Labetti. Also in attendance were Treasurer Michele Sciarrino and Past Presidents, Jill Moriarty, Roberta Elwell, and Joan Winant.

At the Convention, it was reported that the state of New Jersey has 1957 members. The backpack ministry received 516 backpacks, 700 purses of toiletries were collected for homeless women and of course those tab tops, tons and tons! Charitable donations of over \$10,000 were given out from the state raffle. Money was also donated to seminarians and awards to students and community leaders.

In the upcoming summer months, please watch for details about our "Fund-Raising 50/50 Raffle" to be drawn on New Year's Eve. There will be four prizes equal to 1/8th of the pot. The raffle will start in September, and ticket prices have yet to be determined.

Wishing everyone a very Happy 4th of July!

Peace!

Roberta Elwell, Past President



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Dates to Remember

(Events are at the Council unless noted otherwise)

Fri, July 5th Recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary's Church – **6:05 pm**; Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration at St. John's – **7:30 pm**
Mon, July 15th Council Meeting – **8:00 pm**
Wed, July 17th Columbiettes Meeting – **7:30 pm**

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at **7:45 pm**

Eucharistic Adoration

DGK Bob Knott asks that you contact him at 201-675-2802 or email him at knotttrj@optimum.net if interested in St. John's overnight Eucharistic Adoration.

Next Council Meeting - Monday, July 15th

Our next Council meeting will be held on Monday, July 15th at 8pm. Prior minutes can be reviewed by going to KofC1345.org and selecting "Minutes" from the left-hand side. When prompted, enter "1345" for the user and "armour" (case sensitive) for the password.

Upcoming Events:

Blood Drive - The next blood drive is **Monday, July 22nd** from 2 pm to 7 pm at the Knights of Columbus Council (61 Armour Place, Dumont). This is an easy way to save multiple lives. An appointment is encouraged to donate. You can schedule your appointment by going to: <https://tinyurl.com/1345Blood-24-7> or calling Vitalant at 877-258-4825.

Ice Cream Social/Movie Night - Back by popular demand, and to celebrate National Ice Cream Month, join us for an ice cream social on **Friday, July 26th**. We will also have a showing of *Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* in the Mail Hall. Doors open at 7 pm, ice cream served at 7:15 pm, and movie showing at 8 pm. Snacks and a cash bar will be available. Contact Jim Callahan at 201-655-2634 or jmc712@aol.com if you have questions.

Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament - Join us for the Twin Boro Columbian Club's premier summer fundraiser on **Saturday, August 24th** to help support the TBCC's facilities and its charitable works. The \$100 buy-in includes the tournament entry, a hot buffet of roast beef, mashed potatoes, chicken tenders, french fries, bread, and salad throughout the evening, as well as tap beer, wine, soda, and coffee. Check In and buffet start at 6 pm, tournament starts at 7 pm. Non-players \$20pp. RSVP online at MikesPokerTables.com and get a 500 Chip Bonus. Call or text Ken A. at 1-516-220-9333 with questions.

Italian Night - Save the date! Our premier cook team and live entertainment by Panorama return **Saturday, October 5th** from 7 pm-11 pm. More details to come in next month's newsletter.



2024 Scholarship Winners



Rachel Bochicchio, Colin Graham, Riley Graham

2024 Columbiette Convention



Memorial Day Grand Marshal John McGill, PGK



Family of the Year – The Martins



***Knights of the Year:
Jim Callahan, Tom Formoso, Ken Armellino***



Knights of the Month: Mike Rowley and Bob Feigle

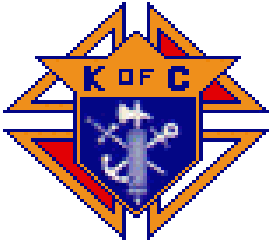


Movie Night Fun!



See you for ice cream and a movie on Friday, July 26th!





Knights of Columbus

ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL No. 1345
61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628

INVITE YOU TO A LITURGY CELEBRATING

The Installation of Grand Knight Chuck Hollis, FDD and Council Officers

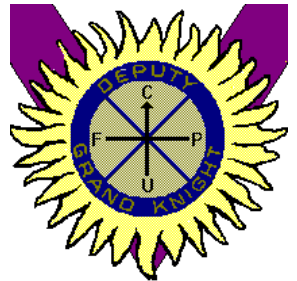
On

Saturday July 20, 2024

3:00 pm

St. Mary's Church

280 North Washington Ave. Dumont, NJ 07628



Reception to Follow at 5:00 PM at St. John's Council

61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628

LIVE musical entertainment will be provided by The Party Boss and the meal will be catered by **Italian Connection** of Dumont. The hot buffet menu (subject to change) will include tossed salad, Italian bread, beef burgundy, chicken francaise, penne with vodka sauce, rice pilaf and sausage and peppers. Dessert, coffee and tea will follow the meal. Beer, wine and soda are included. Cash bar for all other drinks is available.

All this for only \$40 per person!

→→→→ **RSVP REQUIRED BY JULY 16th** ←←←←

Call or text Ken A. at 1-516-220-9333

or

Email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com



Twin Boro Columbian Club

Home of KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL No. 1345

61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628

SUMMER TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER TOURNAMENT

Saturday August 24th



Hot Buffet & Check-in 6pm, Poker Starts at 7pm

The \$100 entry includes:

- 5,000-chip starting stack
- Dinner
 - Hot roast beef
 - Mashed potatoes
 - Chicken tenders
 - Salad
 - French fries
 - Tap beer
 - Wine
 - Soda
 - Coffee

Tournament Features:

- Official Texas Hold'Em Rules
- Full Size Tables
- Professional Cards
- Licensed Dealers
- Re-buys/Add-on until Break
- \$5,000 Prize Pool*
- Final Table Gets Paid*
- Champion Bracelet

** based on 75 players*

TO REGISTER SCAN THE QR CODE:

RSVP online by August 20th and get 500 extra chips!

For more info, contact Ken A.
at +1 (516) 220-9333 or kofc1345reservations@gmail.com



Tournament Conducted by:



Mike's Poker Tables

<https://www.mikespokertables.com/event-info/twin-boro-columbian-club-7>

MUST BE 18 OR OLDER TO ENTER THE PREMISES