



The Knight Times

St. John's Council #1345, Knights of Columbus
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ONE NATION UNDER GOD...Be a Proud Catholic American citizen
March, 2011

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

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

We are all about to climb that Mystic Mountain of Holiness on Ash Wednesday (March 9th) by going to Holy Mass as often as possible, by praying The Rosary daily, by reading the 15th chapter of Luke (from the 11th verse on) every day, and by getting to know just how much God loves us.

Your great reward will be on Easter Sunday (April 24th) when you become The Resurrection People. You, too, will live forever!

Quote of the Month: *"To live is to change, and to be perfect is to change often"*. The Blessed John Newman, beatified 2010.

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,

Last month was a successful one in several ways. Our Rosary Hour was very well attended thanks to the efforts of Warden George Corbo. Then on February 12, the Past Grand Knights Dinner was held at which PGK Tom Ciotti was honored.

And yet at the same time during the last month two of our Council Officers have made changes in their lives. Treasurer Bill Horn is giving up the Hungry & Homeless position which he has handled for years. The next feeding is April 27 and a new Chairman is needed before then. Please contact me at 201-385-1839 if interested.

The second change is that Tony Tulli who has been the Recorder or served at various Guard positions is moving to the Toms River area by the end of the month. Not to be overlooked, Bob Dondero, FDD, PGK, PFN moved to Riverdale, NJ several weeks ago.

In August 2011, the Supreme Convention will be held in Denver, Colorado and a representative for our Council is necessary. To qualify for this honor I propose the following;

1. That only a Past Grand Knight of Council #1345 be considered.
2. That any PGK who's interested MUST MAKE A FIRM COMMITMENT to attend by Mar 16, 2011.
3. If there's more than one PGK those names will be put in a container and a winning name pulled out.

The Holy Season of Lent starts on Ash Wednesday, March 9, 2011. Not only during Lent but at all times we should examine our conscience and lives in preparation of the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday. Also, the Lenten Dinners will be back with the dates to be announced.

We have two great affairs coming up. St. Patrick's Irish Night Dance on March 26 during which we also honor our late PGK Martin Healy, and the Special Children's Dance on Aril 16. Try to attend either one or both.

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
Grand Knight	David Benson	201-385-1839
Deputy GK:	Lou Pidi	201-439-1985
Chancellor	John E. 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:	Geo. DiCostanzo, PGK, PFN	201-338-2617
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	551-265-3489

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:	Geo. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Membership:	John E. 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:	Dave Benson, GK	201-385-1839
Program Director:	Lou Pidi	201-439-1985
Publicity-Photog:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Rel & Civil Rgts:	Tom Ciotti, PGK	201-424-5472
Respect for Life:	Matt Hayes, PGK	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:	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695
Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Youth Activities:	Ivan Hannibal, PGK	646-528-9592

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers

President:	Jerry Passano	201-384-4894
Vice President:	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695
Secretary:	Bob Dondero, FDD, PGK, PFN	201-387-2368
Treasurer:	Ivan Hannibal, PGK	646-528-9592
Trustee:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Bar Chairman:	Mike Cremin	201-956-2782
Cooks & Kitchen:	Ken Hudes	201-916-0648
Dishwasher Chmn:	John E. McGill	201-384-7511
Purchasing Agent:	Charles Dietz	201-384-7106
Rentals Agent:	Geo. DiCostanzo, PGK, PFN	201-338-2617
Waiter Chairman:	Steven Martin, PGK	201-262-2764

Columbette's Ladies Auxiliary

President:	Roberta Elwell	201-244-1323
Vice-Pres:	Donna Fredericks	201-387-6680
Secretary:	Joan Winant	201-385-5957
Financial Secy:	Laura Labetti	201-387-7479
Treasurer:	Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617
Sentinel:	Ann Schmidt	201-385-4871

Squires – Circle #1622

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 Feb. 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, PGK</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>	<i>Ken Florio</i>
<i>John McGill</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;
Donna Sadock, sister of Dr. Geoffrey Sadock;
Grace Sodano, friend of PGK G. DiCostanzo.
Jason Van Arsdale, nephew of John E. McGill;
Jonathan Jacobi, grandson of the late PGK Frank Messina;
Karen Sadock, wife of Dr. Geoffrey Sadock;
Kristen Collins, niece of Tom Collins;
Mary & Gregory Sforza, friends of the Council;
MaryAnn Nagle, cousin of Bill Connington.
Mona, wife of Tom O'Brien;
Mother-in-law of Ed Trawinski;
Nicole Cafarelli, niece of Bob Wrightington;
Nina DiCostanzo, wife of PGK George DiCostanzo
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.

Wakes

William Orr, brother of Ed Orr;
Beverly Powell, sister-in-law of John LaRaia;
Maurice T. Downing, lifetime member;
Noel H. Dolan; and, Sp. Ryan A. Gartner, Dumont resident, killed in action in Afghanistan.

Upcoming Degree Dates

First Degree:	Tues, March 8 at Westwood Council;
Second Degree:	Tues, March 1 at Washington Township;
Third Degree:	Fri, March 4 at Ramsey Council.
Fourth Degree:	Sun, Mar. 27 in Parsippany at the Hilton.

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

From the News Desk

Birthdays wishes to members celebrating a birthday or a special occasion in March...especially PGK George DiCostanzo Mar. 14, PGK Bill Bochicchio Mar. 17.

Tips from Pope John XXIII...Only for today, I will make a plan for myself. I may not follow it to the letter, but I will make it. And I will be on guard against two evils...hastiness and indecision.

Healthy Food Notes: Avocados – battle diabetes, lower cholesterol, help stop strokes, control blood pressure and smoothes skin.

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

NJ State Convention...Friday & Saturday, May 13-14, 2011 in Wildwood. Applications online at bergenfederationkofc.org.

2011 Catholic Men's Conference – Saturday, March 5 8:00am to 4:00pm at Seton Hall University. "Rise Up O Men of God!"

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. Brothers, contact me if you want to make your Second or Third degree and I will schedule a time that works for you.

Congratulations to Edward Craviolo who advanced to the Second Degree in January. Ed and many other members advanced to the Third Degree at our Council on Feb. 18.

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

Columbiettes News

The Columbiettes of St. John's Council #1345 are pleased to announce their annual Tea Party to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 61 Armour Place, Dumont on Sunday, March 20 from 2:00 to 5:00pm.

The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children, which includes a full lunch, a large assortment of desserts, juice, and of course TEA plus many surprises.

This event has been growing in popularity each year for Mother's & Daughter's, Grandmother's & Granddaughter's. Reservations are suggested. Please call Nina @ 201-338-2617 and reserve as soon as possible.

Peace, Nina

Financial Secretary Report

Dues: Second Notices were mailed the end of February. If you have not yet paid, do so now when you receive the Second Notice. All dues must be paid by March 31.

ID Cards: It has come to my attention that some ID cards have the wrong Degree information. This year we are using Supreme's online database for all Member Management recordkeeping, etc. Supreme knows their file is missing 2nd & 3rd Degree information for many records and is asking all members to report the correct Degree information.

If your degree information is wrong, mail your ID card back to me so that I can revise it, and update Supreme's records too.

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

Congratulations to PGK Bill Bochicchio FDD and Francis X. Scanlon on attaining Honorary membership.

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.

You must let me know if you are eligible for either of these two honorariums. I will initiate the paperwork. Contact me at 201-338-2617, or write to: FS, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628 or email to papagdc@aol.com.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN.

Council Scholarship News

Do you have a child or grandchild that is entering a Catholic High School, or entering college? We have added Catholic High School first year students to our Scholarship Awards program.

The basic program is for (2) awards for Catholic High School and (2) awards for College. However, depending upon monies available, the awards are reviewed each year for possible increase or decrease.

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

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

George DiCostanzo, PGK, PFN, Chairman

Church Activities Report

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm.

The next rosary is Wed, March 9, Ash Wednesday. Try to attend ...it's a perfect beginning to the Lenten Season. Refreshments served afterwards.

George Corbo, Director

Irish Night Dinner-Dance.

Saturday, March 26, 7pm to 11pm, \$27 per person. Frankie Curran Band. **We will also honor the memory and service of our late PGK Marty Healy.**

Assorted cheeses and crackers, bangers and mash, corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, beverage, dessert, coffee and tea. Early reservations suggested. See flyer enclosed; mail check & reply form.

Your leprechaun, Al Moriarty, Chairman

Insurance Agent Report

Brothers, if you are the owner of a term insurance policy with the Order, we can convert that policy to a lesser amount of whole life insurance with no medical if you are less than 64 1/2 years old.

WE can do this using the same premium you are paying now or if you want to convert a larger amount the premium would be a little higher, plus this plan generates a savings account. If you would like to take advantage of this program or just do a no obligation review, just give me a call at 551-265-3489.

Fraternally, Don Stappenbeck

Special Children's Show April 16, 2011

This is a cast call. We're looking for anyone who would like to become a part of our talent show cast. Anyone who has a special musical or comedic talent is welcome. Actually anyone who wants to join us, we will be glad to have you.

Rehearsals are usually on Friday nights at the club, and take place all through March and prior to the show in April. If interested please call Bill Bochicchio, Show director at 201-385-9015.

Lecturer Program

John Monroe will be the speaker at the March 21 meeting. He will address the subject of financial planning, with a focus on estate and senior concerns.

Try to attend this very timely lecture program, and pass the word around to your friends. Lecture programs begins around 9pm, and refreshments are served after.

Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Lecturer Chairman

Dates to Remember

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

Mon, Feb. 28 Columbian Club meeting, 8pm.
Mon, Mar. 7 Council meeting, 8pm.
Wed, Mar. 9 *Ash Wednesday*
Rosary Hour, 8pm.
Sun, Mar. 13 Daylight Savings Time, move clock ahead.
St. Patrick's Parade, 2pm, Bergenfield.
Mon, Mar. 14 Officer meeting, 8pm.
Wed, Mar. 16 Columbiettes meeting, 8pm.
Thurs, Mar. 17 *St. Patrick's Day – Erin Go Bragh!*
Setup – 7pm.
Sat, Mar. 19 *Feast of St. Joseph.*
Sun, Mar. 20 Columbiette Tea Party, 2pm.
Mon, Mar. 21 Council meeting, 8pm.
Thurs, Mar. 24 Setup – 7pm.
Fri, Mar. 25 *Feast of Annunciation of Our Lord.*
Sat, Mar. 26 Irish Night Dinner Dance, 7pm-11pm.
Sun, Mar. 27 Fourth Degree, Parsippany, 12pm.
Mon, Mar. 28 Columbian Club meeting, 8pm.
Tues, Mar. 29 *Founders Day – March 29, 1882.*
Newsletter Mailing 10am.
Thurs, Mar. 31 Setup – Rental 7pm.
Sat, Apr. 2 Rental – 7pm – 11pm.

Business Services Directory.

Enclosed in this mailing is the latest listing of the Knights business services list. Consider calling a member next time you need help.

Business Owner Members... add your name to a growing list of member Knights in business offering their 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.

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts

Troop 1345 will be visiting Gettysburg in March 2011, the same year that the *America the Beautiful* quarter's program will issue a 25-cent piece commemorating the Battle of Gettysburg.

On March 12, the Troop will be participating in a walk for the Muscular Dystrophy Association to support one of our own Scouts. 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 Cassidy's Crew to aid in the fight against neuromuscular disease, please contact the troop. If you wish to make a donation, just make a pledge to any member of the troop that is participating in the walk.

As always, Troop 1345 is appreciative of the continued support from St. John's Council Knights of Columbus.

Keith Hilcken, Scoutmaster

Dishwasher Chairman Report

The best way to truly appreciate being a Knight of Columbus is to come down to the Council and help out once in a while. First, maybe come to some regular meetings to find out how you may help out. Come to some of our Dinner-Dances. You will have a lot of fun and also see all the volunteer work that has to be done to make our events and rentals successful.

I've been having a problem getting dishwashers for kitchen help. I have too few dishwasher volunteers to draw from and most of the dishwasher volunteers like me have been volunteering for a long time, are getting older, and also may have health issues. Many of us also volunteer as kitchen helpers, servers and bartenders.

We need to expand the ranks! Often with the bigger events such as Italian or Irish Night, we can actually use two dishwashers. Dishwashers are a vital, necessary part of the kitchen crew. I have been a dishwasher here at the Council many times. I don't look at it as a menial job. I've worked with many dishwashers and kitchen help over the years who were Officers, Grand Knights, Past Grand Knight,

etc., and even an active District Deputy. I have never worked with a dishwasher who was a dishwasher by trade.

We are all volunteers, doing our service helping to raise money for our charitable works. St John's Council needs your help now. We need more help in all areas now to continue to be successful raising the large amount of money we donate each year for Charity.

Please contact me if you can help out as a dishwasher and let me know when and what times you can be available. Also let me know if you want to help out in other areas and I will direct you to the proper contacts. Thank you

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

Hall Rental & Catering



photo courtesy of Brian O'Dowd

If you are planning a party or celebration this year or next, give us a call and let us make a proposal. No strings attached. Call George D at 201-338-2617 for more information.

Photo Gallery



Photo courtesy Brian O'Dowd

Subject: Fr. Murray Scholarship Dance. From the left: Fr. Murray cutting his birthday cake; State Deputy Herb Meyer; State Secretary Dan Rossi; State Warden Tony Moskal.



Photo courtesy Brian O'Dowd

Subject: PGK Dance. From the left: Grand Knight Dave Benson, Recorder Chuck Hollis co-chair, State Deputy Herb Meyer, and PGK Tom Ciotti.

St. Joseph the Worker Support Ministry

St. John's Church & St. Mary's Church offer employment help for the unemployed.

St. Mary's Church in Dumont... 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.

St. John's Church in Bergenfield... group meets on Mondays 7pm-9pm in Parish Life Center. For more information, call Jack Weldin, Jr. at 201-385-8360.