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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

No report this month as we search for a new chaplain. Pray for us. Happy Easter to everyone.

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

Dear Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Scouts & Friends,

First of all, I would like to thank all of you my brothers and Sister Columbiettes for the good job you did during my vacation in the Philippines last January. Special thanks and warm congratulations to our Deputy Grand Knight, Frank Gallacher for an excellent job!!!

After a great celebration of New Year's Eve, Mother Nature did not permit us to hold the Annual Father Murray Scholarship Dance last January. We will be holding this event in the near future and a new date will be announced on our next bulletin.

We have few events coming in March:

March 5 – Filipino Night – 7:00 – 11:00 PM.

March 9 – Rosary Hour – 7:30 – 8:30 PM.

March 11 – Council Lent Dinner – 6:00 – 8:00 PM

March 13 – St. Patrick Parade, Bergenfield – 2:00 – 4:00 PM. Snack to follow in the council

This is the first time we will be holding Filipino Night and your attendance to this event is vital to its success as all proceeds on this event will go to charities that our council is supporting.

In addition to the above events, we have a rental on March 12 and your help is needed. I would like to request all of you to attend our council meetings and get involved. Your presence and ideas are every welcome.

At this time, I would like to give thanks to most of our unnoticed brothers and sisters like setup team, cooks and waiters who are very willing to help on events. Without you my brothers and sisters, our events will not be successful.

As always, I would like to request all of you my brothers for the continued growth of our council by helping us on recruitment drives.

May God continue to bless our council and our families!!! Happy Easter to everyone.

Vivat Jesus,

Larry Rivera

Grand Knight

2015-2016 Officers, Chairmen, Directors, & Auxiliaries
of the Family of St. John's Council #1345

Council Officers 2015-2016

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:	(open)	201-384-0557
Grand Knight	Lauro Rivera	201-315-0456
Deputy GK:	Frank Gallacher	201-957-2683
Chancellor	Frank Polise	201-370-0547
Warden	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Recorder	Gerry Flood	551-795-7480
Treasurer	William Horn	201-385-7652
Advocate	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695
Financial Secy:	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Inside Guard	Kevin Sheridan	201-566-8194
Outside Guard I	John Racanelli	201-206-6425
Outside Guard II	Bob Truppe	201-988-2289
Trustee 1 yr.	B. Bochicchio, FDD, PGK	201-385-9015
Trustee 2 yr.	Dave Benson, PGK	201-385-1839
Trustee 3 yr	Steve Martin, PGK	201-262-2764
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent	John McAvinue	973-563-0120

Council Chairmen & Directors 2015-2016

Bldg. Maintenance	John Graham	201-387-0419
Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Lou Pidi, PGK	201-707-7253
Council Activities:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Council Reservation:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Drug Awareness:	Rich Merkovsky,	201-494-9912
Family Activities:	Frank Polise	201-370-0547
Feeding Homeless:	John Racanelli	201-206-6425
Mail Committee:	Dave Benson, PGK	201-385-1839
Membership:	Frank Polise	201-370-0547
Newsletter Editor:	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Parish Roundtable:	L. Rivera, GK	201-315-0456
Program Director:	Frank Gallacher	201-957-2683
Publicity:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Rel & Civil Rgts:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Respect for Life:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Retention:	Frank Gallacher	201-957-2683
Retreat:	Tony Tulli	732-608-0784
Rosary Hour:	John Scalice	201-338-2789
Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Sick & Wake:	Ed Kostka	201-387-9482
SMA Mission Rep	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
St. John Church Rep	Ezekiel Osdana	201-245-3559
St. Mary Church Rep	Ed Kostka	201-387-9482
Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-8828
Youth Activities:	John Racanelli	201-206-6425

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers 2015-2016

President:	Phil Fredericks	201-321-6695
Vice President:	Lou Pidi	201-707-7283
Secretary:	Jerry Passano	201-403-8980
Treasurer:	Mike Cremin	201-956-2782
Bar:	Phil Fredericks	201-321-6695
Kitchen:	Jerry Passano & Lou Pidi	201-403-8980
Dishwasher:	(open)	
Purchasing:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Rentals:	Robert DeWald	201-264-6290
Servers/Waiters:	Frank Gallacher	201-957-2683

Columbette's Ladies Auxiliary 2015-2016

President:	A. Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617
Vice-Pres:	Laura Labetti	201-387-7479
Secretary:	Michele Sciarino	201-387-2916
Financial Secy:	Maureen Italiano	201-916-1404
Treasurer:	Lillian Holmes	201-342-5142
Sentinel:	Marge Kenter	201-384-4423

Troop #1345 - Boy Scouts 2015-2016

Scoutmaster	Rich Merkovsky	201-494-9912
Asst Scoutmaster:	Ray Ziemba	201-410-0897

Squires Circle #1622 (inactive)

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Sick & Wake Report – as of February 20, 2016

Italic indicates new name or a change in condition.

To add a name, contact **Edward Kostka at 201-387-9482.**

Members

-Jack McHugh, Sr.	-John Kerner
-Frank Uvenio	-Jim McEntee
-Dick Dorozynski	-Scott Manno, PGK
-Dave Benson, PGK	-Chuck Hollis, DD, PGK
-Bob Dondero, PGK	-Geo DiCostanzo, PGK
-John Dillon, PGK	-Steven Petraglia
-John Maguire	-Bill Horn

Relatives & Friends

- Angie Uvenio, wife of Frank Uvenio;
- Betty Duffy, widow of the late Thomas Duffy.
- Carol Donadio, wife of Rich Donadio;
- Donna Hayes, wife of PGK Matt Hayes;*
- Fran Gorman, wife of Ray Gorman
- Jonathan Jacobi, Jr., grandson of the late PGK F. Messina;
- Kristi, granddaughter of Frank Uvenio;
- Marge English, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Mary Rudolph, widow of late Art Rudolph.
- Nunzia, cousin of PGK Geo. DiCostanzo;
- Rose O'Shea, from St. Mary's, a friend of the council;
- Sr. Ann Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Sr. Marie Andre Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Teagan Davis, granddaughter of Columbiette Pat Barkley.
- Therese DeFalco Holmes, daughter of Eli DeFalco.

Wakes

Members:

-Ken Malesky; John Quinn;

Relatives & Friends:

-Uncle of GK Larry Rivera;
-Anita Harry, cousin of John & Pauline Scalice;

Reservations Procedure & Payment

Advanced Payment and Reservations for all of our functions are preferred.

--Email: kofc1345reservations@gmail.com. OR,

--Call or Text to: Kenneth Armellino at **1-516-220-9333.**

****Mail your check when you make your reservation**..**

**Jubilee of Mercy Holy Year
December 8, 2015 - November 20, 2016**

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our members and friends celebrating a birthday or a special occasion in **MARCH**.....PGK George DiCostanzo Mar. 14, FDD Bill Bochicchio Mar. 17.

Deputy Grand Knight Report

As we move into March, I would like to inform you of some upcoming events.

Filipino Night is on Saturday, March 5th. This promises to be a premier event with great food and first class entertainment.

Council Lenten Dinner on Friday, March 11th.

St. Patrick's Day parade on Sunday, March 13th at 2 o'clock with food and refreshments to follow back at the council. If you are able to march in the parade, this is a great opportunity to showcase our council in the local community.

I wish you a glorious Easter.

DGK Frank Gallacher, (201)957-2683

Chancellor Report - Membership & Recruitment

Our Council hosted an Exemplification of the Third Degree. We honored PGK Steve Martin and PGK Lou Pidi for their tireless dedication to our council.

We also would like to congratulate Mike Reidy, Louis Labetti and Armando Garcia for fulfilling their 3rd degrees. Congratulations to everyone.

Second Degree, Wed, Mar. 2 at No. Arlington council.

First Degree, Tues, Mar. 8 at Westwood council.

Third Degree, Fri, Mar. 11 at Upper Saddle River council.

Frank Polise, Membership, 201-370-0547.

Financial Secretary Report

The 3rd dues notice, the Knight Alert letter, is being mailed on March 1 to those delinquents who have still not paid their dues for 2016.

This is the first step in the due diligence process leading up to suspension from the Council and Order. You can avoid this by mailing in your check immediately.

If you no longer want to continue your membership, write me a note stating that you resign. You will no longer receive any dues notices, etc.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK

The Rosary Hour

We will resume the Rosary on March 9th at 7:30 PM. Since we are in the Lenten season we will say prayers for Lent. Please join us and bring your friends.

John Scalice (Chairman), Pauline Scalice (Columbiette)

Columbiette Auxiliary Report

"Don't let me hear you say life's taking you nowhere, Angel Come get up my baby

Look at that sky, life's begun

Nights are warm and the days are young"

(David Bowie, 1975)

Two of our favorite Saints come "Marching In" this month of March! St Patrick and St. Joseph.

While Irish American's will be wearing the "Green" it's tradition to wear Red on St. Joseph's Day.

And speaking of what to wear.....It's almost time to get out your white gloves and hats for the Columbiette's Garden Tea party is almost here!

It will be held on Sunday, April 10 @ 2:00pm till 5:00pm at the council hall. Tickets for adults are \$20.00, \$5.00 for children ages 5 to 10, children 4 and under are free.

We will have a delicious assortment of Tea Sandwiches, desserts and of course, Tea!

As you know, reservations are a must! Please call either Nina Dicostanzo @ 201-338-2617 or e mail her at

Ninad70@aol.com or Laura Labetti @

labetti250@optonline.net or mail your reservation and

payment to: Laura Labetti, 250 Dixon Ave, Dumont, NJ 07628. Please specify children's age and gender. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Plan on spending a wonderful spring day at our Garden party and.... Enjoy St. Patrick's & St Joseph's Day, whatever color you choose to wear!

Roberta Elwell, P.P., Publicity

Respect Life Report

Gentlemen- The bus trip for The March for Life was cancelled due the storm already in Washington DC. The archdiocese recommended that we cancel. Panorama Tours (the Bus Company) returned all the money for the trip. We had 2 buses with 70 people. That is why we use Panorama Tours. Continue to pray for the Unborn.

Matt Connell, Respect Life Chairman

Final Lent Dinner

Friday, Mar. 11 the second and last Council Lent dinner.

The menu will be fried & baked flounder, rice pilaf, cole slaw and potato salad, green salad, coffee, tea, dessert. Cash Bar will be available.

Cost is \$20.00 per person. **ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST. Call Ken A at 1-516-220-9333.**

PGK George DiCostanzo, Chairman

Lecture Program

Father Steven Carey will speak at our March 21st meeting, at about 8:45 P.M., on "Lent and Repentance." All officers, members of Saint John's Council, and friends from the community should make an effort to attend. Father Carey is a third degree Knight of Columbus and the soon-to-be installed pastor of Saint Mary's Church, Dumont.

Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Chairman.

Committee's Appointed for 2016

Nominating Committee:

Chairman: Charles Hollis – DD, PGK

Members: Steve Martin – PGK
George DiCostanzo – PGK, PFN

Lou Pidi – PGK

Ivan Hannibal – PGK

Matthew Connell

Scholarship Committee:

Chairman: Geoffrey Sadock

Members: Frank Gallacher
Kenneth Armellino

Gerry Flood

Richard Oldfield

Larry Rivera, Grand Knight

Dates to Remember

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

Setup for Events every Thursday at 7:00pm.

Wed, Mar. 2	Show Rehearsal 7:30pm.
Sat, Mar. 5	Filipino Night 7-11pm
Mon, Mar. 7	Council meeting 8pm
Wed, Mar. 9	Rosary Hour 7:30pm.
Fri, Mar. 11	Lent Dinner 6-8pm.
Sat, Mar. 12	DHS Forensics
Sun, Mar. 13	Daylight Saving Time, Set clock ahead. St. Patrick's parade 2pm.
Mon, Mar. 14	Solar roof meeting 7pm. Officer meeting 8pm.
Wed, Mar. 16	Columbiette meeting 7:30pm.
Thurs, Mar. 17	St. Patrick's Day
Sat, Mar. 19	St. Joseph's Day Spring begins
Sun, Mar. 20	Palm Sunday
Mon, Mar. 21	Council meeting 8pm. Lecture Program 8:45pm.
Thurs, Mar. 24	Holy Thursday
Fri, Mar. 25	Good Friday - council closed
Sat, Mar. 26	Holy Saturday
Sun, Mar. 27	Easter Sunday
Wed, Mar. 30	Show Rehearsal 7:30pm.
Sat, Apr. 2	St. Patrick's Dinner Dance 7-11pm.

Troop 1345 Scout Report

Troop 1345 is proud to announce its newest Eagle Scout – Kevin Barry. Kevin passed his Eagle Board of Review on January 31, becoming the Troop's thirteenth Eagle Scout since 2008. Lucky number thirteen.



Kevin earned his Eagle Scout rank by refurbishing the bocce ball courts behind the Dumont Senior Center, completing all of his required merit badges, providing leadership and guidance to his fellow scouts, and working as a staff member at Camp Yaw Paw. Kevin demonstrated the hard work, character, integrity, and honor that go into earning the Eagle Scout rank. Kevin joined the troop in March 2009. Congratulations Kevin!

Matt Dreisbach is the troop's new Senior Patrol Leader, and given that the troop has grown so large, Matt will be assisted by two Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders, Daniel Buda and Collin Deliberio. It is the first time that the troop has two ASPLs at the same time. Just goes to show you that if we provide a solid program, the kids will stay involved, and more scouts will continue to follow.

The troop is currently planning its next big trip – Washington DC. The scouts will visit the nation's capital in April to visit many of the historical sights.

Ray Ziembra, Assistant Scoutmaster

Save the Date

The Twin Boro Columbian Club of St. John's Council will be hosting its second Texas Hold'em tournament on April 16. Entry fee will include buffet, beverages, and tournament. Prize pool is expected to be around \$5,000, with the winner also receiving a championship bracelet and frames final hand.

Scholarship News

Reminder: the deadline for applications for a high school or college/university scholarship from Saint John's Council is April 30th. Applicants must be related to a Knight in good standing. Instructions and application forms are available at the bar or, electronically, from Dr. Geoffrey J. Sadock: gsadock@bergen.edu. Please do not miss this opportunity to support meritorious students and Catholic institutions.

St. Patrick's Dinner Dance - "Irish Night"

It's never too late to celebrate the luck o' the Irish! This year Irish Nite will be held on April 2, 2016 from 7pm - 11pm. As always, we will be having corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, scones and beverages. Come down and enjoy the live music of Frankie Curran and the Evergreens. Thanks as always for your support. Reservations are a must. You can call Ken A at 1-516-220-9333 or email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com.

Your leprechaun, Al Moriarty, Chairman

Religious & Civil Rights Report

Gentlemen- The world gets crazier. Your Roman Catholic Church is under siege. Not only from the secular left Federal Government, but also from extremist Islamists in the Near East,,Africa, Europe and the USA.

Example- The US Government is fining The Little Sisters of the Poor for not paying for drugs causing an abortion in their health insurance. The case is now before the Supreme Court, which has just lost a great Jurist and Catholic gentleman in Antonin Scalia. An attack on religious freedom. Remember what Marx and Lenin said. first control the proletariats health, then take away their religion and remove their guns. Sound Familiar??? Our present President campaigning in 2008 said in PA saying these people cling to their guns and religion.

Now the world- Christians beheaded in Libya just because they believed in Jesus Christ. You are Christian- Since the Catholic Church was founded by Jesus Christ the Son of the living God. Isis has vowed to destroy Rome i.e. The Catholic Church and the West. Is our present Administration doing ANYTHING to save Christian lives as well as Muslims from this Barbaric Islamist Extremists.

This Presidential election is extremely important for us Catholics and the whole United States.

Vivat Jesus, Matt Connell, R & CR Chairman

ASCPG Pilgrimage to Lourdes

If any members and friends of the K of C would like us to take Petitions to Lourdes this Easter, please place them in a sealed envelope and either leave them at the Council bar or give to any of the following: Gerry Flood, Chuck Hollis, Frank Polise, Lou Pidi or Jim Kelly. (Please do not include money).

If you live outside the local area, mail your petitions to: Lourdes Petitions, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628.

Gerry Flood, ASCPG Chairman.