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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

No Message.

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

Dear Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Scouts & Friends,

First of all, I would like to greet all mothers a Very Happy Mother's Day!!!

I would like to thank all our brothers, sisters, and friends who helped us on a very busy month of April for both the council and Columbian Club. A special thanks to all who helped on our annual Shake the Can drive which raises money for the Persons with Intellectual Disabilities.

Our Council events for this month are:

May 8 – Mother's Day – Scholarship Pancake Breakfast

May 11 – Rosary Hour @7:30 PM

May 22 – Fr. Murray Scholarship – 2:00 – 6:00PM

May 29 – Corporate Communion – St. John – 9:00AM

May 30 – Memorial Day Parade – 9:30 – Dumont & 2:00 PM – Bergenfield

On May 13 & 14, most of the officers will be attending the NJ State Council Convention in Wildwood so I would like to request our brothers to help on the rentals on those dates and on the next day, Sunday. As you know, the profits that we make on these rentals are being used to pay all the utility bills to run our building.

Your help is very much appreciated and needed in setup team, waiters, kitchen and dishwashers.
May God continue to bless us all!!!

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:	Rev. Stephen Carey	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:	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
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	201-385-2859
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 April 20, 2016

Italic indicates new name or a change in condition.

To add a name, contact **Louis Labetti, 201-249-0393.**

Members

-Bob Dondero, PGK	-Geo DiCostanzo, PGK
-Steven Petraglia	-Dave Benson, PG
-Chuck Hollis, DD, PGK	-William Borrows
-Dick Dorozynski	-Scott Manno, PGK
-Frank Uvenio	-Jim McEntee
-Jack McHugh, Sr.	-John Kerner
-John Maguire	-Bill Horn
-Joseph Fredericks	-Marc Poirier
-Jun Adel	-Arthur Flynn

Relatives & Friends

- Angie Uvenio, wife of Frank Uvenio;
- Betty Duffy, widow of the late Thomas Duffy.
- Brian Long, son of Jack Long.
- Carol Donadio, wife of Rich Donadio;
- Donna Hayes, wife of PGK Matt Hayes;
- Fran Gorman, wife of Ray Gorman
- Gloria Horn, wife of Bill Horn.
- Jonathan Jacobi, Jr., grandson of the late PGK F. Messina;
- Kristi, granddaughter of Frank Uvenio;
- Marge English, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Maria Melendez, wife of Juan Melendez.
- Mary Rudolph, widow of late Art Rudolph.
- Michele Labetti, daughter of Columbiette Laura Labetti.
- Nunzia, cousin of PGK Geo. DiCostanzo;
- 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: John Dillion, FDD, PGK.

Relatives & Friends:

-Edna Bocek, wife of late PGK Dick Bocek..

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

Birthdays wishes to our members and friends celebrating a birthday or a special occasion in **MAY**.

Congratulations to our brothers Rich Merkovsky, Frank Fundaro, and Louis Labetti. They took their 4th degree on Sunday, April 17 and are now called "Sir Knights".

Congratulations to Barbara and Bill Connington on the birth of their 9th grandchild, Cheyenne Marie born April 6th.

Anyone interested in becoming a trustee in the Columbian Club, please call Phil at 201-321-6695.

Brothers: With your family and friends, become an organ donor. The life that you save just might sit across from you at the dinner table. Register now – www.donatelife.com
www.NJSharingNewwork.org (click the blue register icon)

Deputy Grand Knight Report

I would like to begin by congratulating Brother Al Moriarty on another successful Irish Night. As you know, this continues to be one of the council's premier events. This is largely due to the dedication that Al and his team put in ever year.

I would like to bring some upcoming events to your attention:

Pancake Breakfast on Sunday June 5th 9 AM to noon

The Brothers in Heaven Mass on Sunday June 12th at 3 PM

The Annual Beef & Brew on Saturday June 25th at 7 PM

As always, we join together at these special events to show our unity and fraternity while furthering the good works of our Order.

DGK Frank Gallacher, (201)957-2683

Chancellor Report - Membership & Recruitment

Congratulations to Brian larcheveque, Tim Donegan, and Innocent Amaefule for their acceptance into our 1st Degree.

We also congratulate Tim Donegan and Innocent Amaefule along with Jeffery Meeks and Anthony Marti for their 2'nd degree .

Frank Polise, Membership, 201-370-0547.

Financial Secretary Report

Retention Committee is working on the remaining delinquents. Deadline for membership continuation is to pay by May 16. After that date, delinquents still unpaid will be suspended.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK

The Rosary Hour

Attendance has been very low. Only 6 people were at last month's rosary.

The Rosary Hour **is being discontinued** until further notice for the months of May and June. -

John Scalice, Chair, Pauline Scalice (Columbiette)

Columbiette Auxiliary Report

*"There must be lights burning brighter somewhere
Got to be birds flying higher in a sky more blue
If I can dream of a better land, where all my brothers walk
hand in hand tell me why, or why, can't my dream come true"
(Elvis Presley, 1968)*

Our May 18 meeting is an important one.....Voting for our officers! The nominations were made at our April meeting

and now is the time we VOTE! Please try to attend this very important meeting. Remember meetings start at 7:30pm.

We wish a Happy Mother's day to all of our Columbiettes who are Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers and Aunts.

As we celebrate Mother's Day along with other May events as Cinco de Maya Day, Communions, May Crowning's and May Day celebrations, let us remember our veterans on Memorial Day. They are the reason we have the freedom that we have and can do what we want to do. Always take the time to thank them whenever you can.

Wishing everyone a lovely month of May!

Roberta Elwell, P.P., Publicity

Respect Life Report

May The month of Mary the mother of our Lord Jesus Christ. We, here in the USA celebrate Mother's Day in May So A Very Happy Mother's Day to all mothers, living and in heaven and all the to-be mothers.

Respect All Life from conception to natural death.

Matt Connell, Respect Life Chairman

Lecture Program

No report this month.

Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Chairman.

Collection Drive for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities

Look for our report in the June newsletter.

Steve Martin and George DiCostanzo, Co-Chairmen.

Fr. John F. Murray Scholarship Dance

Please join us for the Fr. John F. Murray Scholarship Dance being held on **Sunday May 22, 2016 at 2:00PM**. This dance helps to fund the Fr. Murray and our council scholarships.

We will start with a Mass celebrating the first year anniversary of his passing.

Our meal will be a Bar-B-Que fare, dancing for your enjoyment with coffee, tea, and dessert. The cost of this affair is \$30. Per person.

For reservations are a must. Please call or text Ken Armellino at 1-516-220-9333 or

Email:kofc1345reservations@gmail.com

Bill Bochicchio, FDD – Phil Fredericks, PGK C0-Chairmen

Feast of Our Lady of Fatima - May 13

"Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen. (add your personal prayer intentions).

When you are down to nothing, God is up to something.

Join us on Facebook

St. John's Council maintains a closed group on Facebook. Members are invited to join the group – just search for *St John's Council #1345* and ask to join. Keep up-to-date with the latest news and information.

Dates to Remember

**Boy Scout Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:00pm.
Setup for Events every Thursday at 7:00pm.**

Sun, May 1	Collection Drive - final day
Mon, May 2	Council meeting 8pm.
Thurs, May 5	Nat'l Day of Prayer
Sun, May 8	Mother's Day Ascension of the Lord Pancake Breakfast for Mother's - 9am.
Mon, May 9	Officer meeting 8pm.
Wed, May 11	Rosary Hour 7:30pm.
May 13-14	K of C State Convention Wildwood
Fri, May 13	Rental - 7pm, Sweet 16; Council Closed. Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day
Sat, May 14	Rental - 7pm, First Communion
Sun, May 15	Rental - 2pm, First Communion Pentecost Sunday
Mon, May 16	Council meeting 8pm.
Tues, May 17	Rental - Meals on Wheels 1pm.
Wed, May 18	Columbiette meeting 7:30pm.
Thurs, May 19	Pride in our Priests Dinner 6:30pm. Rental - 6:30pm, Rotary Club Beefsteak
Sun, May 22	Fr. Murray Memorial Scholarship Dinner. Feast of Most Holy Trinity
Sun, May 29	Corporate Communion at St. John's - 9am. Feast of Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ
Mon, May 30	Memorial Day Dumont Parade 9:30am. Bergenfield Parade 2pm.
Tues, May 31	Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary
Sat, June 4	Rental - Christian Overcomers 4pm.

Religious & Civil Rights Report

Politically Correct.

Gentlemen, I am beginning to lose faith- not in my Roman Catholic Faith but in the U.S.A..

It is acceptable to say anything against Catholicism today. But God forbid you say anything against Islamist terrorists. Islam is a religion AND a Political System (read a book entitled "What is Islam") Sharia law cannot be part of this country's democratic system of government.

First let me say most Muslims are good people. The 10 to 15% that aren't is another story.

The administration of Barach Hussein Obama never says Islamic Terrorists. He only lectures that Muslims should not be discriminated against. Today there are school systems in the US have special prayer rooms to accommodate Muslim students. Some city's school districts now have Muslim holidays. If a Christian says God Bless you or says he or she believes in Jesus Christ; they may be reprimanded for saying that. Since prayer has been taken out of school for Christians; Islamic prayers are now allowed??? When legal murder(aka abortion) and when homosexuals can marry that makes sodomy legal.

This Government gets larger, stronger and more corrupt. That is why I am losing faith in this country.

Just an observation. The government says that Social

Security will run out of money fairly soon-BUT it never seems to run out of money for welfare.

Vivat Jesus, Matt Connell, R & CR Chairman

Spaghetti Dinner & Tricky Tray

Boy Scout Troop 139 of Bergenfield and the Bergenfield Lions Club are hosting a spaghetti dinner and tricky tray on Friday, May 6, 2016 from 5pm to 8:30pm.

Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 6-12, and children 5 and under are free.

Location will be at St. Anthony Greek Orthodox Church, 385 Ivy Lane, Bergenfield, NJ.

For advanced tickets, call Diana Valencia of Troop 139 at 201-446-0355 or Joe Verga of Lions Club at 201-247-2016.

John Racanelli, Scoutmaster

Troop 1345 Scout Report



photo by Joe Reissner

Troop 1345 in front of the Boy Scout Memorial across the lawn from the White House.



photo by Joe Reissner

Troop 1345 on the steps of the U. S. Supreme Court.

Ray Ziemba, Assistant Scoutmaster