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ONE NATION UNDER GOD...Be a Proud Catholic American citizen
November, 2010

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

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

As important as it is to fulfill your moral obligation and VOTE on Nov. 2, it is insignificant compared to coming Monday Nov. 8 at 8pm as I offer The Son of God to His Heavenly Father for the Holy Mass (the #1 prayer of the Catholic Church). We offer the Holy Mass for the souls of our deceased brothers. Please God, the widows, the relatives, the many close friends and all my brother Knights will be as holy and pious as was Judas Macabee. In the infallible words of Sacred Scripture (1 Macabees 12:43-45), *"it is a holy and pious thought to pray for the dead".*

May I remind you again that we all have a moral obligation to vote. As St. Paul, honored as the Apostle of Liberty just 2 years ago, said. "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty" (2 Cor. 3:17). Catholics and especially members of the strong right arm of the Mystical Body of Christ (the Knights of Columbus) CAN make a difference in this election.

This election is not about party affiliation, it is about LIFE affiliation. Incidentally, GOD is the author Life. We need a government that will change all of us into a People of Life. As stated by the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, the First Principle is the inalienable Right to Life (given by GOD).

The Bible says, "I (GOD) knew you and before you were born, I (GOD) consecrated you." These are the infallible words of Sacred Scripture (Jeremiah 1:5).

Remember: the #1 Civil Right is LIFE. Webster's dictionary defines the word "*inalienable*" as "*something that cannot be taken away.*"

Vivat Jesus,

Fr. John F. Murray, SMA

Chaplain of the Year 2009-2010 Columbian Year.

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,

As mentioned in my October message, both our Membership & Rose Drives have now been scheduled at the SMA for Sunday, Nov. 7, 2010.

The Memorial Mass for deceased members in Monday, Nov 8, 2010 at 8:00pm at our Council. It was well attended last year and permits us to pray for those members and their families. Try to attend; refreshments afterwards.

On Oct. 9, we held our popular Italian Night Dance which was attended by more than 200 guests. At the same time, a tribute was paid to Frank Messina, PGK, and John Plescia for their years of service promoting, chairing and cooking for this affair and their other services to the Council. Thanks to all who volunteered and to those who attended; it was a great night.

DGK Lou Pidi has scheduled a Blood Drive at the Council on Sunday, Nov. 28 from 10am to 1:30pm. If you can give blood, please help out. Our goal is to collect 30 units or more.

During the month of October every weekend was rented out and even two rentals on one day. And this is only one month. The reason I mention this is that they pay for the expense of the upkeep of the building we enjoy. But to continue this we need HELP from our membership. A few cannot do it alone. Please contact PGK Steve Martin and volunteer some of your time.

On behalf of the Officer's & Trustees, my wife Grace and I, we all wish you a Happy Thanksgiving holiday for you and your families.

Vivat Jesus,

Dave Benson

Dave Benson, Grand Knight

**2010-2011 Officers, Chairmen, Directors, & Auxiliaries
of the Family of St. John's Council #1345**

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Scoutmaster:	Keith Hilcken	201-993-4476
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Sick & Wake Report – as of Oct. 18, 2010

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
Ed Neumuth	Peter Duffy
Bill Murphy, PGK	Nicholas Slade
Frank McCoo	
Richard Burke	George Forbes
Larry Frisby	Timothy Keating
Walter Boettger	

Relatives & Friends

Alice, wife of George Armbruster;
Ann Sanders, mother of Bob Sanders PGK
Ann Taxter, wife of Al Taxter;
Anthony Matarazzo, son of Joe Matarazzo, FDD, PGK;
Barbara Colorossi, cousin of Geoffrey Sadock;
Barbara, wife of Frank Fawcett;
Ben, nephew of Dom Panfile
Diane Malesky, wife of Ken Malesky;
Elizabeth (Lily) Leyden, wife of Kevin Leyden;
Fran, mother-in-law of Larry Miloschia.
Jason Van Arsdale, nephew of John E. McGill;
Jean DeFalco, wife of Eli DeFalco;
Jonathan Jacobi, grandson of the late PGK Frank Messina;
Karen Glover, wife of Ray Glover;
Louise Zucker, sister of Bob Knott;
Mona, wife of Tom O'Brien;
Mother-in-law of Ed Trawinski;
Nancy Osborne, relative of John McGill;
Nicole Cafarelli, niece of Bob Wrightington;
Norma, widow of late Jim Campbell.
Raymond Goode
Rev. Philip Romcin, friend of Geoffrey Sadock;
Rev. Ray Filipski, vicar at St. John's Church;
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.
Willie & Ann Marsigliano, brother/sister-in-law of J. Marsigliano;

Wakes

*Julio Millan; Edward Forbes, son of George Forbes;
Irene, wife of Don Ulisse FDD (Norwood Council).
Grandson of Francis Fiore.*

Jos. Tamburiello Jr, Brother-in-law of PGK Barry Bernard, DD;

Correction: it was wrongly reported last month that Helen Flynn, wife of Arthur Flynn had passed away. We apologize for the error.

Upcoming Degree Dates

First Degree:	Tues, Nov. 9 at Westwood Council;
Second Degree:	Wed, Dec. 15 at Lodi Council;
Third Degree:	Fri, Nov. 5 at Rochelle Park Council;
Fourth Degree:	April, 2011 in Parsippany.

Lecturer Program

Our speaker for November is Joan Colella, RN. Her topic: "Men's Health Issues: Prostate Cancer". Try to attend.

Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Chairman

From the News Desk

Birthdays wishes to members celebrating a birthday or a special occasion in November, especially...*Russell Petrocelli Nov. 2; Tom Schmidt Nov. 28.*

Late October birthday wishes to...*Angie Bochicchio, Dolores and Brian O'Dowd, Charlie & Dorothy Dietz.*

Congratulations to members celebrating an anniversary or special occasion in November.

Tips from Pope John XXIII to live a better life: *Only for today, I will do at least one thing I do not like doing; and if my feelings are hurt, I will make sure that no one notices.*

Congratulations to Squire Thomas Passano, son of Jerry Passano, who placed 7th in class honors at St. Joseph's Regional High School.

Reservations Procedure

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.

Reminder: when you call or email, you must also let us know the names of your guests. It avoids problems.

Hot Breakfast Buffet

Sunday, November 14 from 8:00am to 1:00pm at the Council.
The breakfast will consist of:

Scrambled eggs	French toast
Bacon, Sausage	Hash browns, rolls/butter
Orange juice	Coffee, tea.

Costs: Adults \$8.00; Child age 6-10 \$3.00; Child 5 & under Free. Reservations are a must to insure adequate supply of food. See the enclosed flyer for all the reservation details.

We will draw the winners of our Fall Raffle at the breakfast.

Marty Naughton, Chairman

Blood Drive

We will be sponsoring our first blood drive of the year with Community Blood Services, on **Sunday, November 28, 2010 from 10:00am to 1:30pm at our council**. All blood types are needed, especially Types O- and O+.

Any healthy individual age 17 through 75 and weighing at least 110 pounds can donate blood. Donors should eat a moderate meal before donating and must bring identification showing signature. All donors receive complimentary cholesterol screening with every blood donation.

I ask that anyone who can donate blood, plasma, or platelets, please contact me to sign up. **Our goal for this drive is 30 units.** Let's pull together as Brother Knights especially in our local area and achieve this goal.

I can be reached at home 201-439-1985; cell 201-707-7253. Please come out and help support this important K of C function. Pass the word to family and friends you know donate blood. Goal = 30 units.

Lou Pidi, Chairman

Membership & Recruitment Activities

If you know of any Catholic gentlemen who may be interested in joining our Order, contact me and bring them down to the Council on any Friday night.

Contact me if you want to make your second or third degree and I will schedule a time that works for you. All Degrees start at 8:00pm. Candidates must report to Council at 7:00pm.

Congratulations to our new member Joseph Cioffi, who completed his journey to Knighthood in less than one month's time. Joe took First & Second Degrees in Sept, and Third Degree in Oct.

Congratulations to new members who took their First Degree in Oct...Rev. Arcadio Munoz, Frank Fundaro and David Wehner.

*Chancellor John E. McGill, Membership
201-384-7511*

Church Activities Report

Dear Brothers, important dates to remember.

Corporate Communion Mass & Breakfast, Sunday, Oct. 31. Mass at St. Mary's Church 7:45am. Breakfast at council after.

Memorial Mass for Deceased Members, Monday, Nov. 8 at 8pm at the Council. This is a very important time to unite in prayer for all members deceased and living. Please attend and bring a friend or provide a ride to someone who needs it. Refreshments after.

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm. The next session is Wed, Nov. 10. Refreshments served afterwards.

George Corbo, Church Activities Director

Columbiettes News

I can't believe that it's only two weeks away from our Halloween tricky tray. If you would like to attend and not yet purchased a ticket please call Nina @201-338-2617 or Donna @551-427-7180.

We have a lot of great baskets and gift certificates. Let's make it a great fund raiser.

October and November are recruitment months. The Knights will be recruiting at St. Mary's the weekend of Oct. 23rd & 24th after all masses. It would be great if we could join them and promote the Columbiettes. All that is required is five minutes of your time after mass. The mass schedule is 7:45am, 10:00am and 12 noon.

The Columbiettes is open to any Catholic women over the age of 18. If you know anyone who would be interested in joining or would just like information please call Donna Fredericks @ 551- 427-7180 or 201-387-6680.

Help Needed! The Knights have a very busy rental and events schedule coming up in Nov and Dec. They need help with servers. If you are willing to give two hours of your time, please call Steve Martin @ 201- 262-2764. They would appreciate it tremendously.

Peace, Nina

Scholarship Donations

Our scholarship program benefits the children and grandchildren of members. Each year we award two scholarships to college freshmen.

This year we hope to be able to change the program and expand it a bit. Tuition at Catholic High Schools is expensive, and enrollments are declining forcing many to close. I plan to propose to the committee a recommendation to consider adding awards for freshmen going to a Catholic H.S. We need to support Catholic education.

Funding the program to have monies available for awards has been our challenge since inception. To expand the program would require additional funds. We, as Knights, should do what we can to support Catholic education, especially at the High School level.

Therefore, if anyone would like to make a donation to the Scholarship Fund, your donation will be appreciated and will help to expand the program. Any amount is appreciated...\$5, \$10, \$15, or more. No amount is too small.

Mail your donation to: Scholarship Fund, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628. Thanks,

George DiCostanzo, PGK, PFN, Chairman

Columbian Club Report

Hall Rental & Catering ...for all types of events, sweet 16's, repasts, communion's, for members and their family. Call George D at 201-338-2617, or 201-387-9750 press #2, or visit our website: kofc1345.org, and click on Hall Rental. Our prices are affordable for your budget. Check us out or call us for information.

Help Needed...waiters, servers, dishwashers, bartenders for rentals and council events. Please help for 2-4 hours. *We have an URGENT need for help in November & December.*

...bar, call Mike Cremin 201-956-2782.

...dishwashers, call John E. McGill, 201-384-7511.

...kitchen, call Ken Hudes 201-916-0648.

...servers, call PGK Steve Martin 201-262-2764.

**new service addition: we are wired for Wi-Fi. Come on down and check it out.

Jerry Passano, President

Dates to Remember

Note: setups for rentals & council events are on Thursday's at 6:30pm.
Boy Scout Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:00pm.

Thurs, Oct. 28	Setup 6:30pm;
Sat, Oct. 30	Columbiettes Tricky-Tray event 7:00pm.
Sun, Oct. 31	Corp Comm...St. Mary's 7:45am; breakfast after. Children's Halloween Party, 2pm-5pm.
Mon, Nov. 1	All Saints Day - holy day of obligation
Tues, Nov. 2	All Souls Day
Mon, Nov. 8	Memorial mass for deceased members 8pm council.
Tues, Nov. 9	Officer meeting 8pm.
Wed, Nov. 10	Rosary Hour 8pm.
Thurs, Nov. 11	Rental Setup 6:30pm. Veteran's Day - Fly the Flag.
Fri, Nov. 12	Pizza Night 8pm.
Sat, Nov. 13	Rental ASCPG 6pm. Help Needed.
Sun, Nov. 14	Breakfast Buffet 8am-1pm.
Mon, Nov. 15	Council meeting 8pm. Lecturer Program 9pm.
Wed, Nov. 17	Columbiettes meeting 7:30pm.
Thurs, Nov. 18	Rental setup 6:30pm.
Sat, Nov. 20	Rental 7pm-11pm. Help Needed.
Thurs, Nov. 25	Thanksgiving - Council open 8pm-11pm.
Fri, Nov. 26	Nativity setup at Dumont Boro Hall 10am;
Sat, Nov. 27	Christmas poster setups at churches.
Sun, Nov. 28	Blood Drive 9am-1pm. Donors needed.
Mon, Nov. 29	Columbian Club meeting 8pm.
Sat, Dec. 11	Christmas Party 7pm.
Sun, Dec. 12	Children's Christmas Party 2pm.

Friday Night Socials

Complimentary snacks continue to be served at 9pm on Friday nights. ****note: Pizza night November 12.**

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

Lou Pidi, Friday Night Chairman

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts

Questions about the Troop, or interest in Scouting, contact Keith by email at scoutmaster1345@aol.com, or at 201-993-4476.

Keith Hilcken, Scoutmaster

Italian Night

Was a huge success thanks to the many volunteers and especially to our guests who attended. The late PGK Frank Messina and the late John Plescia were honored for their roles in past Italian Nights.



On the left: GK Dave Benson, DGK & Chairman Lou Pidi, daughter Louise Huff, Rose Plescia, and son-in-law Bill Huff.

On the right: GK Dave Benson, DGK/Chairman Lou Pidi, Nina Messina with sons George & Frank, daughters Mary & Rose, and many grandchildren.

Catholic Information - 8 Tips for Catholic Men

(excerpted from *The Integrated Catholic Life*)

(continued from last month).

As Catholic Gentlemen, we face challenges each day and struggle to break out of repetitive behaviors and avoid self-created obstacles that prevent us from drawing closer to Christ. We all want to be devout in the practice of our Catholic faith. The following tips can help us.

Tip #3: Become passionate about the Eucharist. Want to fully experience Christ and be closer to Him? Seek out the True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist in daily Mass when possible and spend quiet time before the Blessed Sacrament in Eucharistic Adoration every week. St. Francis de Sales once said: "When you have received

Him, stir up your heart to do Him homage; speak to Him about your spiritual life, gazing upon Him in your soul where He is present for your happiness; welcome Him as warmly as possible, and behave outwardly in such a way that your actions may give proof to all of His Presence."

Tip #4: Go to Reconciliation more frequently-OK, we are hopefully praying and asking for God's help with our burdens, but we are still saddled with the sins we commit daily. Go to your Priest and partake of this wonderful gift we Catholics enjoy, but may not utilize enough-the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Commit to going once a month. A thorough examination of conscience and honest confession will lift your spirit and keep you on the right path!

Tip #5: Accept and Study our Faith. Accepting the teaching of our Church is necessary, but so is the knowledge that our full understanding may take time. Trust that two millennia of Church teaching is probably much more reliable than what you or I might conjure up on our own. Go to a parish bible study, take apologetics classes, read the bible and catechism, and read great Catholic authors like Peter Kreeft, Don DeMarco, Scott Hahn, Francis Fernandez, G.K. Chesterton, Fr. Groeschel, Fr. Spitzer, Pope Benedict XVI and Pope John Paul II.

Tip #6: Practice Detachment. Let's ask ourselves if we really need "it", whatever "it" is. Let go of the material things that are in the way of our prayer lives, church attendance, charitable giving, friendships, volunteering and certainly our relationships with Christ. The Catechism (2556) says, "Detachment from riches is necessary for entering the Kingdom of Heaven."

From the Insurance Desk

Previously the Order had no life insurance available beyond age 75. However, we now offer our Single Premium Life product up to age 80. This is ideal for members who have money in CD's or other fixed investments earning a poor rate of return.

If a member age 70 invests \$100,000 in a Single Premium Life as compared to \$100,000 in a CD, paying 2% (a very generous return these days) the policy offers an immediate death benefit of \$153,280 and the cash value will exceed the CD value by year 2 in addition to growing the death benefit.

I urge you to consider this fine new product to provide a growing death benefit as well as growing cash value.

Don Stappenbeck. 551-265-3489

Business Services Directory.

Add your name to a growing list of member Knights in business that can service other members when they need it.

Send name of business, contact name, phone number or email, and what type of business and service you provide and mail to Business List, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628.

Hungry & Homeless

We have just received our schedule for 2011. Before I continue, I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas.

Our schedule is January 12, April 27, July 13, and October 12. Thanks to all our brothers who helped with our Sept. 1 2010 feeding.

We are seeking donations of turkeys. Please call Bill Horn or Bob Dondero if you have one to donate. Thanks and bless you all.

Bill Horn, Chairman

Hold these Dates

Keep Christ in Christmas.....Saturday, Nov. 27. Setup of the Nativity Creche at Dumont Boro Hall at 10am. Setup of the KCIC banners at churches. Help needed; call GK Dave 201-385-1839.

Christmas Party.....Saturday Dec. 11, 7pm.

Children's Christmas Party.....Sunday, Dec. 12, 2pm.

Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus will be attending both events.

New Year's Eve Party.....Fri, Dec. 31, Special Price, New Menu;

Details for these events will be in our December newsletter.