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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

Dear Friends,

November is the month dedicated to the Faithful Departed (All Souls). We remember all those who have gone before us who await the fullness of being in the presence of God in heaven. The new Archbishop of Chicago, Blasé Cupich provides a beautiful explanation for the meaning of All Souls Day. He writes:

“By setting aside a single day exclusively for those who have passed from this life, we are testifying to our obligation to pray for them. That obligation is founded on our understanding of what it means to be a member of the Body of Christ. We are linked to each other in a bond which death itself cannot break. Death does not diminish our responsibility to support each other as fellow pilgrims.

We take that responsibility seriously when we gather for the Eucharist, visit cemeteries, pray for the dead. This day of prayer for the dead offers a corrective to the tendency to reduce our funeral rites to memorial services or mere celebrations of life. While there are good reasons to recall the virtues of someone when they have died, Catholic funerals are first of all about the Body of Christ praying for one of its members. We are confident that just as our prayers assisted the deceased in life, so too they do in death.”

So during this month of November let us remember our deceased relatives and friends, deceased members of the Knights of Columbus and assist them with our prayers that as they journey back to God they will soon experience the full vision of Christ in glory that all of us hope to experience when it is our time to join the Faithful Departed.

May the Souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen!

May God be Praised,

Fr. Dominic

Fr. Dominic G. Ciriaco, Chaplain

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Boy Scouts, Family, Widows and Friends...

October was a great month for your council beginning with an extremely successful Italian night. The hall was filled to capacity and everyone in attendance had a fantastic time dancing the night away to the music provided by Panorama Music. Congratulations to co-chairs Columbian club President Lou Pidi, our Worthy outside guard Ken Armellino and all our fellow brothers who were involved in putting together this great evening. All I can say is ITALIAN NIGHT IS BACK!!!

We also held two of three Rose drives for life held at St. John's parish and St. Mary's parish where we raised \$436 and \$395 to support pro-life programs. Congratulations to our Worthy Chancellor Matt Connell for his excellent organizing of these drives and to my brothers who helped. It makes me proud to be a part of St. John's Council #1345 knowing some of the greatest people I have ever had the pleasure of working with. God bless you all.

Beginning in the next month or so, we will be introducing an online newsletter to the membership. This is being done in an effort to save our council money, to use technology to expand our newsletter and to allow for a faster way of getting information out to the members. Those who receive the online newsletter will get the information days before the hard copies are mailed. Now we understand this process will take time and those of you who do not have a PC or email address will continue to receive a hard copy. So I ask for your support and patience in helping your council move forward into this age of technology.

Vivat Jesus,

Carmine Grillo, Jr.

Carmine Grillo, Grand Knight

2014-2015 Officers, Chairmen, Directors, & Auxiliaries
of the Family of St. John's Council #1345

Council Officers (new)		
Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray	201-567-0450
Chaplain:	Rev. Dominic Ciriaco	201-384-0557
Grand Knight	Carmine Grillo	201-244-6579
Deputy GK:	Lauro Rivera	201-315-0456
Chancellor	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Warden	Keith Hilcken	201-993-4476
Recorder	Frank Gallacher	
Treasurer	William Horn	201-385-7652
Advocate	Phil Fredericks, PGK	201-321-6695
Financial Secy:	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Inside Guard	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Outside Guard I	Kevin Sheridan	201-566-8194
Outside Guard II	Tim Hickey	201-417-7776
Trustee 1 yr.	Steve Martin, PGK	201-262-2764
Trustee 2 yr.	B. Bochicchio, FDD, PGK	201-385-9015
Trustee 3 yr	Dave Benson, PGK	201-385-1839
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent	John McAvinue	973-563-0120

Council Chairmen & Directors		
Church Activities:	John Scalice	201-338-2789
Community Affairs:	Lou Pidi, PGK	201-707-7253
Council Activities:	Keith Hilcken	201-993-4476
Drug Awareness:	Keith Hilcken	201-993-4476
Event Reservations:	Larry Rivera	201-315-0456
Family Activities:	Mike Cremin	201-956-2789
Loaves & Fishes:	John Scalice	201-338-2789
Mail Committee:	Dave Benson, PGK	201-385-1839
Membership:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Newsletter Editor:	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Parish Liaison's:		
-St. John Church	Bill Horn	201-385-7652
-St. Mary Church	Carmine Grillo	201-244-6579
-SMA Mission	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Parish Roundtable:	Carmine Grillo, GK	201-244-6579
Program Director:	Lauro Rivera	201-315-0456
Publicity:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Rel & Civil Rgts:	Tom Ciotti, PGK	201-424-5472
Respect for Life:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Retention:	Lauro Rivera	201-315-0456
Retreat:	Tony Tulli	732-608-0784
Rosary Hour:	George Corbo	201-450-1205
Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Sick & Wake:	Bill Connington, PGK,	201-385-9697
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(update in Sept.)

President:	Louis Pidi	201-707-7253
Vice President:	Phil Fredericks	201-321-6695
Secretary:	Randy Dunkin	201-800-2381
Treasurer:	Mike Cremin	201-956-2782
Bar:	Phil Fredericks	201-321-6695
Kitchen:	Randy Dunkin	201-800-2381
Dishwasher:	John Graham	201-387-0419
Purchasing:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Rentals:	Robert DeWald	201-264-6290
Servers/Waiters:	Timothy Hickey	201-417-7776

Columbette's Ladies Auxiliary (new)

President:	Joan Winant	201-696-1159
Vice-Pres:	Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617
Secretary:	Annette Roge	201-384-4260
Financial Secy:	Laura Labetti	201-387-7479
Treasurer:	Lillian Holmes	201-342-5142
Sentinel:	Pauline Scalice	201-338-2789

Squires Circle #1622 (inactive)

Troop #1345 - Boy Scouts

Scoutmaster	Rich Merkovsky	201-494-9912
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Sick & Wake Report – as of Oct. 19, 2014

Italic indicates new name or a change in condition.

To add a name, contact PGK **Bill Connington, 201-385-9697.**

Members

-Fr. John F. Murray, SMA; Joseph Welsh;
-Jack McHugh, Sr. Brian O'Dowd
-Chuck Hollis, DD, PGK John Scalice;
-Dick Dorozynski George DiCostanzo, PGK;
-John McGill, PGK; John LaRaia;
-Tony O'Hare;
-Fred Jacobsen, PGK;

Relatives & Friends

-Andrew DiCostanzo, grandson of PGK G. DiCostanzo;
-Andrew, grandson of PGK Tom Trank;
-Angie Uvenio, wife of Frank Uvenio;
-Ann Marsigliano, sister-in-law of Jack Marsigliano
-Barbara Berger, friend of council;
-Fran Gorman, wife of Ray Gorman
-Grace & Mary Grillo, sisters of GK Carmine Grillo.
-Janet Jacobsen, wife of PGK Fred Jacobsen.
-Jonathan Jacobi, Jr., grandson of the late PGK F. Messina;
-Jonathan Jacobi, son-in-law of the late PGK F. Messina;
-Kristi, granddaughter of Frank Uvenio;
-Lou Grillo, brother of GK Carmine Grillo.
-Michael Cullen, son of the late John Cullen;
-Nina DiCostanzo, wife of PGK Geo. DiCostanzo.
-Nunzia, cousin of PGK Geo. DiCostanzo;
-Raymond Johnston (Tuck), cousin of Dr. Geoff Sadock.
-Robert Murphy, nephew of PGK Dave Benson;
-Teagan Davis, granddaughter of Columbiette Pat Barkley.

Wakes

Members:

- John P. Cullen; Joseph O'Leary. Allyn J. O'Brien;

Relatives & Friends:

Prayer for Healing

"God, our Father, walk through my house and take away all my worries and illnesses and please watch over and heal my family and friends in God's name, Amen."

Reservations Procedure & Payment

Advanced Payment and Reservations for all of our functions are a must. Mail in the reply form found at the bottom of our montly event flyers.

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

--Call: DGK Larry Rivera at 201-315-0456.

****Mail: your check to cover reservations before event**.**

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our members and friends celebrating a birthday or a special occasion in November...Master Russell Petrocelli Nov. 1; Janet Connell Nov. 17; PGK Matt Hayes Nov. 24.

Anniversary wishes to Columbiette Past Pres Mattea Truppe and husband Bob who celebrated 7 years Oct. 7; Jack & Lorraine Marsigliano 59 years married Nov. 19.

Congratulations to Laurice Joyce P. Rivera, daughter of DGK Larry Rivera, for passing the Natl Certification Corporation's Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Exam on Oct 15.

The Rosary Hour

(note: new time 7:00pm)

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm. Refreshments served afterwards.

The next rosary hour is **Wednesday, November 12, 2014.**

Deputy Grand Knight Report

As we just recently had a very successful and memorable Italian night, I would like to invite all of you my brothers together with your wife, friends and guests to attend our forthcoming Past Grand Knight Dinner to honor our Worthy District Deputy, Chuck Hollis on November 15.

Menu will be roast beef, pasta, mashed potato and usual array of music, fun, laughter and camaraderie. Let's make this a great night as it is in the previous years. Honoring our Past Grand Knight is an Annual celebration for the man who served our Council so well.

Make your reservations by calling me at 201-315-0456.

DGK Larry Rivera

Chancellor Report - Membership & Recruitment

The Council welcomes a new First Degree member John Blake Jr; and 2 new Second Degree members Richard Merkovsky and John Blake Jr. We also welcome transferee PGK Adhemar Montagne. We wish them well; and may they get involved in our council activities.

We will have to invite every Catholic Gentleman to belong to the best Catholic Men's organization. New members are the life blood of our organization.

Matt Connell, Membership Chairman

Financial Secretary Report

As I write this report, there are still about 30 members who have not paid their dues for 2014. Intent to Suspend letters were mailed to these non-paid members. If you are one of these members, kindly send in your payment quickly.

It's time for our annual survey of members to upgrade their information on file. Enclosed in this issue is the Member Update form; fill this out in its entirety and return it to me as noted on form. We need phone numbers, next of kin, email addresses (if you have one).

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK

Columbiette Auxiliary Report

Over the river and through the woods,

To grandfather's house we go;

The horse knows the way

To carry the sleigh,

Through the white and drifted snow."

- *Lydia Maria Child, Thanksgiving Day, 1845*

In 1863, Abraham Lincoln, declared the last Thursday of November to be

a National Day of Thanksgiving. November is also the time when we celebrate All Saints Day and All Souls Day. Our brother Knights will have a Memorial Mass on Monday, November 3 at 8PM as we will remember our departed Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes.

Our next monthly Columbiette meeting will be on Wednesday, Nov.19 at 7:30pm and

Thanksgiving is the following week on November 27.

As this holiday, and all of the holidays are now approaching, it's a good time to stop and reflect and to remember to give thanks for all that we have and pray for those who are in need.

The following is a poem I thought was very appropriate, even though it's a Children's Poem, it has a message that we ALL should be grateful and thankful for.

A Child's Thanksgiving Prayer

Thank you God for all that grows,

Thank you for the sky's rainbows,

Thank you for the stars that shine,

Thank you for these friends of mine,

Thank you for the moon and sun,

Thank you God for all you've done, Amen

SPUD ALERT!....The Potato Bar Buffet that the Columbiettes were planning for Friday Nov. 7, 2014 has been CHANGED to Friday, Nov 21, 2014.



Our Seminarian Ernesto Betancourt receiving his check from the NJ State Columbiettes on Oct 12, 2014 at St. Mary's Church in Dumont, NJ and presented by the St. John's Auxiliary. From the left: Nina Di Costanzo (VP), Roberta Elwell (PP), Mattea Truppe (PP & Central Chapter President), Deacon John Sylvester, Ernesto Betancourt (Central Chapter Seminarian), Very Rev. Dominic Ciriaco (Chaplain), Laura Labetti (Fin Secy), Michele Labetti (member), Pauline Scalice (Sentinal).

PP Roberta Elwell, Publicity

PAST GRAND KNIGHTS DINNER

Please join us on November 15, 2014 at 7:00PM as we salute Past Grand Knight Charles Hollis for his service to our Council. Our menu will include appetizers, pasta, a roast beef dinner, dessert, coffee and tea, all for \$30.00.

Council 1345 will also pay tribute in our own special way to our veterans and members of the military. We ask that you join us for this special and fun filled evening. DJ music will be provided for your listening and dancing pleasure. Please make your reservations early by contacting Deputy Grand Knight Larry Rivera at 201-315-0456.

PGK Steven Martin Chairman;

Memorial Mass for our Deceased Members

Monday, Nov. 3, at 8pm at the council. Join us at mass when we gather to remember our deceased brothers and sister Columbiette's. Coffee andafterwards.

Lecturer Program

November 17th, Kathy Sylvester (from Saint Mary's): Topic: Devotion to Our Lady of Guadeloupe.

Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Chairman

Corporate Communion Mass

Sunday, November 30 2014 At 9:00am Mass at S M A Chapel. Continental breakfast at the council hall afterwards.

Bill Horn, Chairman

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, Nov. 23 from 8am to 1pm at the Council hall. Proceeds to be used to help support our Council Scholarship Program.

Call Larry at 201-315-0456 to make your reservations, OR, just come on down.....walk-ins welcome.

Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Scholarship Chairman

Dates to Remember

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

Sat, Nov. 1	Rental – baby shower. All Saints Day – mass obligation
Sun, Nov. 2	All Souls Day Daylight Savings time ends, turn clock back. Nat'l Vocation Awareness Week. Rental – 1pm.
Mon, Nov. 3	Council mtg, 8pm.
Sat, Nov. 8	Rental – ASCPG fundraiser 6pm.
Sun, Nov. 9	Rental – Gooney Birds Marine B'day.
Mon, Nov. 10	Officer mtg. 8pm.
Tues, Nov. 11	Veteran's Day – Fly the Flag of Freedom.
Wed, Nov. 12	Rosary Hour 7pm.
Sat, Nov. 15	PGK Dinner 7pm.
Mon, Nov. 17	Memorial Mass for deceased members 8pm. Lecturer Program 9pm.
Wed, Nov. 19	Columbette mtg, 7:30pm.
Thurs, Nov. 20	Bergen Federation Mtg,
Fri, Nov. 21	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Columbette sponsored Potato Bar buffet.
Mon, Nov. 24	Columbian Club mtg 8pm.
Thurs, Nov. 27	Thanksgiving Day – give thanks to God.
Fri, Nov. 28	Council Closed
Sat, Nov. 29	Decorate Hall (time to be advised) Rental – DHS Reunion party 7pm.
Sun, Nov. 30	Corporate Communion at SMA.
Mon, Dec. 1	Council mtg. 8pm.

Troop 1345 Scout Report

Troop 1345 is proud to announce its newest Eagle Scout – Daniel Adomilli. Daniel passed his Eagle Scout Board of Review on September 26, becoming the troop's seventh Eagle Scout. Daniel earned his Eagle Scout rank by completing all of his required merit badges, carrying out and displaying leadership during his leadership project (book collection and building bookshelves for the Dumont Senior Center), and by providing leadership and guidance to the other scouts in his troop. Daniel was one of the first new scouts to join Troop 1345 back in April 2008 (other than the initial group of scouts that transferred into the troop when it was founded), thus Daniel is the troop's first Eagle Scout to have completed his entire scouting journey with Troop 1345. Daniel exemplified the hard work, character, integrity, and honor that go into earning the Eagle Scout rank. Congratulations Daniel!

Several other scouts have started working on their leadership projects, including Matt Bambling building a gazebo at Sacred Heart Church in Haworth, Matt Dreisbach building a reflection area with patio and benches at Sacred Heart Church in Haworth, CJ Reissner building benches out of hockey sticks and installing a flagpole at Twin-Boro Field, Jack Zimmerman planning out a program amongst several churches and youth groups to put together meals for local food banks, Liam Markgraf building park benches and installing a flagpole at Gina's Softball Field, and Matt Smith re-roofing the soccer building at Memorial Park.

Troop 1345's fall program is well under way, with a host of camping trips, hikes, and other activities planned. The troop will be hiking New York City to Dumont in November, and is starting to plan out its winter activity schedule.

Troop 1345 will be selling Christmas trees in December. If any member of the K of C would like to "pre-order" a Christmas tree from the troop, please contact Jill Moriarty. For members of the Knights of Columbus that order a Christmas tree from the troop, the troop will deliver it right to your door for you, at no charge.

Ray Ziembra, Assistant Scoutmaster

Right to Life Report

At the time of this writing The Roses for Life campaign is proving to be a great success. Thanks to ALL the Brothers who helped out, Just great. Thank you, thank you, thank you and God bless you all
Matt Connell, Respect Life Chairman

Toys for Tots Collection

The Council will be conducting a Toys for Tots Collection to be used for Christmas donations. Bring an unwrapped toy for a Boy or Girl; drop it off at the Council any Friday night between 7pm-9pm.
Keith G. Hilcken, Chairman

Photo Gallery

Giants of Generosity Fundraiser August 2014



From left, front: GK Carmine Grillo, Treas William Horn, Frank Polise, Stephanie & Brian Dimetres, Director Jane Albanese of Giants of Generosity and Inside Guard Ken Armallino. Standing tall in the center rear is Deputy Grand Knight Larry Rivera.

Italian Night 2014



Save the Date for the Santa Team Visit – Dec. 13, 2014



From left: Elf Gloria Horn, Santa (Tony Tulli) Mrs. Claus (Sheila Tulli) and Elf Nina DiCostanzo.

Memorial Mass

On Mon, Nov 17, we will remember all of our deceased brothers and sister Columbiettes at the annual Mass of Remembrance at 8pm in the Council. We'll also recognize those who have passed away over the last twelve months. Family members or close friends of recently departed Knights and Columbiettes are invited to participate in the rose ceremony.

The evening is open to everyone and coffee & cake will be served afterward. If you're planning on coming, why not foster fraternity and invite a friend to come along.

Brian O'Dowd, Chairman