



The Knight Times

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One Nation Under God - Be a Proud Catholic American

JULY, 2017

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Scouts and Friends,

I am honored and proud to lead this Council in the Columbian Year 2017 – 2018. I previously served as Grand Knight in 2008 – 2009. I look forward to leading our Council over the next twelve months, and my officers and I need your help, assistance and most importantly your participation to continue to carry out the charitable and fraternity activities of this great Council.

I would like to get greater attendance at our regular monthly meetings, therefore starting this year, our Council will meet once a month on the third Monday of the month at 8:00 pm. After the regular meetings in September, October, November and December, we will open the Lounge and enjoy a snack, a drink and a Monday Night football game with our fellow Brothers.

I know many Brothers cannot make the meetings because they simply can't get to the Council or get home. I ask those Brothers to call me directly and I will ensure you get a ride to our meeting and a ride home. This "after meeting get together" is open to everyone – your wives, your friends, your work colleagues, come on down. I hope to see everyone there.

Our Council is also open on Friday nights, for our "Friday Night Socials", which is another time we can come together down at our Council. We will be hosting monthly "Hot Dog Nights" and "Pizza Nights" on Friday nights throughout the year. Watch the bulletin for the dates for these special nights. We will honor our Veterans on Friday, November 10th. We will host an early Christmas on Friday, December 15th with music, food and holiday spirits. Come on down on Friday nights. I hope to see you there.

My officers and I will do our best to serve you, our Council, our Community, and our Churches, but we can't do it alone. I, therefore, want to acknowledge another group of Brothers who together with our Council, help us attain our charitable and fraternal goals. These Brothers are the members of our Twin Boro Columbian Club and they facilitate the renting of our Council for outside events. The monies we generate from these rentals assist us in the upkeep, maintenance and repair of our Council Hall. Yes, there is a business aspect in running our Council. This Council is blessed with a building we can call home, but that home needs love, care, upgrades and repairs. We, therefore need Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes and Scouts to assist at these rentals.

With that said, we cannot ever lose sight of why we are Knights – to exemplify the principles of our Order as empowered by our Founder, Father Michael McGivney – Charity, Unity and Fraternity. Therefore, it will be a goal of the Council and the Columbian Club to donate a portion of monies we generate from each rental directly to Council charities.

The Council this year will continue to host our familiar and favorite events – Italian Night, Christmas Party, Irish Night and the Special Children's Dance. I hope to see you at these events.

We are all part of an international Catholic and Fraternal Order that, quite simply, is committed to helping those who are in need and need our help. Honestly, we need more Brothers to come forward to assist us in all of our endeavors as we move forward this year and in future years.

The Installation of the officers for the Columbian Year 2017 – 2018 will be held on Saturday, July 22nd. We will celebrate the Installation at 3:00 pm with Mass at St. Mary's Church. The Installation Dinner will commence at 5:00 pm at the Council. The cost will be \$35.00 per person. We have hired a band for this party and our dinner will be catered by the Italian Connection. It is my hope to donate a substantial portion of the proceeds from the Installation Dinner directly to a Council Charity, and if that donation comes to fruition, I will advise everyone of the recipient (hopefully recipients) of that donation. I hope to see you at the Installation.

I want to honor in this message our Past Grand Knight Frank Gallacher, for his service and dedication to our Council during this past Columbian Year. I worked closely with Frank last year and his commitment to our Council cannot be overstated. As our Past Grand Knights and past officers can attest the task and honor of running our Council is at times difficult, often challenging and often rewarding.

Vivat Jesus,
Steve Martin
Grand Knight

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Council Officers 2017-2018

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:	Rev. Stephen Carey	201-384-0557
Grand Knight	Steve Martin, PGK	201-669-8236
Deputy GK:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Chancellor	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Warden	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Recorder	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Treasurer	Kevin Mulhern	201-247-5602
Advocate	Rich Oldfield	201-214-9375
Financial Secy:	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Inside Guard	Kevin Sheridan	201-844-3180
Outside Guard I	Willie Cintron	201-951-9164
Outside Guard II	Gerry Flood	914-343-5508
Trustee 1 yr.	Dave Benson, PGK	201-385-1839
Trustee 2 yr.	Larry Rivera, PGK	201-315-0456
Trustee 3 yr	Frank Gallacher, PGK	201-957-2683
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent	John McAvinue	973-563-0120

Council Chairmen & Directors 2016-2017

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Bill Flores	917-544-2322
Council Activities:	Willie Cintron	201-951-9164
Council Reservation:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Family Activities:	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Feeding Homeless:	(open)	
Fr. Murray Scholar	Bill Bocchicchio	201-385-9015
Mail Committee:	(open)	
Membership:	Ken Armellino	201-220-9333
Newsletter Editor:	G. Di Costanzo, PGK	201-338-2617
Parish Roundtable:	Steve Martin, PGK	201-669-8236
Program Director:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Publicity:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Respect for Life:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Retention:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Retreat:	Tony Tulli	732-608-0784
Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Sick & Wake:	(open)	
SMA Mission Rep	(open)	
St. John Church Rep	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
St. Mary Church Rep	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers 2017-2018

President:	Geo. Di Costanzo, FS, PGK	201-338-2617
Vice President:	Tom Formoso	201-540-7950
Secretary:	Bill Flores	917-544-2322
Treasurer:	Mike Cremin	201-956-2782
Bar Chairman:	Frank Gallacher, PGK	201-957-2683
Bldg & Grounds:	John Graham	201-387-0419
Caretaker Chmn:	Juan Melendez	201-580-1883
Cook Team Chmn:	Frank Fundaro	201-577-4787
Dishwasher Chmn:	Tony O'Hare	201-321-7155
Purchasing Chmn:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Rentals Chmn:	Norm Saunders	201-832-0105
Servers/Waiters:	Ivan Hannibal, PGK	646-528-9592
Setup Chairman:	George Prevete	201-870-2927

Columbette's Ladies Auxiliary 2017-2018

President:	Laura Labetti	201-387-7479
Vice-President:	Ann Panfile	201-501-0344
Secretary:	Marge Kenter	201-647-9805
Financial Secy:	Lillian Holmes	201-342-5142
Treasurer:	Michele Sciarrino	201-387-2916
Sentinel:	Maureen Italiano	201-916-1404
Past President:	A. Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617

BOY SCOUTS – Troop #1345 / Crew #1345 – 2017-2018

Scoutmaster –	Rich Merkovsky	201-494-9912
Asst. Scoutmaster –	Ray Ziemba	201-410-0897
Asst. Scoutmaster –	Billy Cook	201-566-5036
Crew Advisor –	Ray Ziemba	201-410-0897
Assoc Crew Advisor –	Tim Bright	201-803-5602

Knights Times Newsletter

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Sick & Wake Report – as of June 23, 2017

Italic indicates new name or a change in condition.

To add a name, call **George Di Costanzo, 201-338-2617.**

Members

-Bob Dondero, PGK	-John P. McHugh
-Steven Petraglia	-Dave Benson, PGK
-Chuck Hollis, DD, PGK	-William Borrows
-Dick Dorozynski	-Scott Manno, PGK
-Frank Uvenio	-Jim Mc Entee
-Brendan Thornton	-Michael Curran
-John Maguire	-Bill Horn
-Bill Connington, PGK	-Tom Ciotti, PGK
-James Keane	-Jim Kelly, Sr.
-John Graham	-Ernest Businelli

Relatives & Friends

-Addison Rose Palardy, granddaughter of PGK B. Bernard.
-Brother-in-law of Greg Ryan
-Carol Donadio, wife of Rich Donadio;
-Gloria Horn, wife of Bill Horn.
-Jonathan Jacobi, Jr., grandson of the late PGK F. Messina;
-Kristi, granddaughter of Frank Uvenio;
-Lauren Hurley, niece of James Hurley;
-Marge English, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
-Maria Brooks, wife of Jim Brooks;
-Maria Melendez, wife of Juan Melendez.
-Maureen Kostka, wife of the late Ed Kostka.
-Nunzia Migliaccio, cousin of PGK Geo. Di Costanzo;
-Paul Schmidt, brother of Tom Schmidt;
-Peggy Brennan, wife of Joe Breannan;
-Peter Dondero, son of PGK Bob Dondero;
-Raymond Panfile, father of Dom Panfile.
-Rose O'Shea, friend from St. Mary's Church;
-Sr. Ann Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
-Sr. Marie Andre Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
-Stephanie, niece of Jim Brooks;
-Teagan Davis, granddaughter of Columbiette Pat Barclay.
-Therese De Falco Holmes, daughter of Eli DeFalco.
-Valerie Lachina, daughter of PGK Bill Bochicchio;
-William Borrows, Jr, son of William Borrows

Wakes

Members:

Relatives & Friends:

-Olga Liggio, Mother-in-law of Mike Affrunti;

Reservations Procedure

Reservations for all of our functions are preferred.

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

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

Hall For Rent

Planning a party soon? Call Norm Saunders at 201-832-0105, email kofc1345rentals@gmail.com, or check our website: www.kofc1345.org. **The hall is for rent with or without food catering.**

From the News Desk

Birthday wishes to our Brother Knights and their family members who may be celebrating a birthday in JULY. **Joseph Kelly**, 49 years old, on June 12. God bless.

Grand Knight & Officers installation on July 22. See enclosed flyer for all the details.

Save the date. A benefit fundraiser for granddaughter of Barry Bernard, FDD, PGK, PFN on Sept. 23. Detail to come.

Congratulations to **PGK Frank Gallacher**, elected Faithful Navigator of Bishop O'Connor Assembly #647.

Chancellor-Membership Report

Need a Degree?

On Friday June 2nd we welcomed two new members to full Knighthood. I'd like to congratulate Arturo Ilano and Ralph Saxton. Please wish them well and help make them feel welcome to our Council.

I would also like to say to those who still need to pursue their degrees to please feel free to contact me to find out upcoming dates and to make arrangements. You can call or text me at 516-220-9333 anytime.

I am looking forward to serving as Chancellor for this upcoming Columbian year and appreciate all the cooperation I know you will give me in making the year a success.

Kenneth Armellino, Chancellor

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PGK Steve Martin, Grand Knight

Twin-Boro Columbian Club Staff 2017-2018

Officers

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Secretary:	Bill Flores
Treasurer:	Michael Cremin

Trustee's

Purchasing:	John Orsino
Caretaker:	Juan Melendez
Trustee	Phil Fredericks, PGK

Chairmen

Rentals:	Norm Saunders
Kitchen Cooks:	Frank Fundaro
Dishwashers:	Tony O'Hare
Servers/Waiters:	Ivan Hannibal, PGK
Bar:	Frank Gallacher, FN, PGK
Setups:	George Prevete
Bldg & Grounds:	John Graham

George Di Costanzo, President

Chaplain's Message

The year 2017 marks the 50th anniversary of the restoration of the diaconate as a full and permanent order of the Universal Church. In 1967, Vatican Council II, in its Dogmatic Constitution on the Church (Lumen Gentium 29) laid out the fundamental groundwork for the renewal of the sacred order of deacon as a full, viable and permanent order in the Church.

In the past 50 years, over 19,000 men have been ordained to the permanent diaconate. Most of these are married men with families who have been called by God to serve the Church as ordained ministers. Permanent deacons do not have the full faculties of the priesthood but they may baptize, preside at wedding ceremonies and are called to preach the Gospel. In a world where the number of priests continues to decline, the role of the deacons continues to take a greater significance.

Cardinal Tobin has written asking that we all join him in observing the celebratory year of the deacon which kicks-off in the Archdiocese of Newark on Sunday, October 8, 2017. As we celebrate the permanent diaconate, I would ask all the members of the Knights of Columbus to prayerfully consider the question; is God calling you to the permanent diaconate? Do you know a Catholic gentleman who might make a good deacon?

As we pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life, we must also pray for an increase in vocations to the permanent diaconate.

Vivat Jesus,

Rev. Stephen Carey

Chaplain

Columbian Club Report

This is the first of my monthly reports on the state of the Columbian Club. We have many challenges to address this year, but with the help of the new staff, we will succeed. The work to give the facility a face-lift has already begun. More to report in future issues.

George Di Costanzo, President

San Alfonso Retreat

Brothers, It is time to think about the retreat in July. Come down and enjoy good food, spiritual talks, and fellowship. The dates are July 14-15-16, 2017.

Cost is \$210.00/pp, and check in time is Friday July 14 at 4:00pm. Dinner will be served at 6:00pm.

They want me to submit a list by no later than July 5. Please let me know if you will be attending. If you need a first floor room let me know ASAP as they are limited.

Tony Tulli, Chmn, 615-557-5787.

Respect Life Report

St John's Church Respect Life Committee conducts a baby bottle fund raiser by giving out EMPTY Baby bottles to the parish on Mother's Day and instructs the people to put in change, bills or checks and return the bottles full or empty on Father's Day. The dollars collected go to three pregnancy centers and other Pro-Life organizations.. More Parishes should start programs like this to help the unborn.

DGK Matt Connell, Chairman

Dates to Remember

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

Mon, June 26	Columbian Club meeting 8pm.
Fri, June 30	Friday Social-Wings & Tacos - 8pm.
Tues, July 4	Independence Day - Fly the Flag.
Sat, July 8	Rental - Giacolone graduation party
Sun, July 9	Rental - Eagle ceremony - Buchheister 2pm.
Wed, July 12	Columbian Club mtg, 7:30pm.
Fri, July 14	Rental - Birthday party 8pm.
Sat, July 15	State Deputy install mass 10am, Newark Rental - Baby Shower 4pm.
Sat, July 22	Council install mass 3pm St. Mary's Reception 5pm at Council
Sun, July 30	Corp Communion mass 9am St. John's Rental - Baby Shower

Troop 1345 Scout Report

Sean Adomilli and Kyle Buchheister both passed their Eagle Scout Boards of Review in May, becoming the 18th and 19th Eagle Scouts in the troop respectively.

Kudos to PGK Ivan Hannibal for his continued successful guidance as the Charter Organization Representative to Troop #1345 since its inception in April 2008. Ivan continues to be there to support the Troop's growth and success as we approach our 10 year anniversary. To build upon that growth and success, Ivan recently became the Charter Organization Representative for newly formed Venture Crew #1345, chartered in March 2017.

The Venture Crew (Crew 1345) is an expansion of the scouting program, and joins Troop 1345 in the Knights of Columbus family. The goal of the venture crew is to teach young adults to mentor, provide leadership, teach skills, provide service to others, and enjoy high adventure activities together.

The inaugural Crew 1345 leadership consists of Tara Coll, Ray Ziemba, Nancy Ziemba, Tim Bright, Paul Fierro, Eagle Scout Ryan Ziemba, Eagle Scout Sam Zimmerman, and Dave Fusco. These adults will also remain with the Troop 1345 leadership, so there is no impact to the Troop's successful operation.

The initial Crew members (scouts) include Natalie Ziemba, Eagle Scout Eric D'Anna, Eagle Scout Jack Zimmerman, Eagle Scout Matt Dreisbach, Eagle Scout CJ Reissner, and Eagle Scout Robert Conboy. It is expected that the two organizations will work together in harmony to further the Scouting program that they both adhere to under the Charter Organization, the Knights of Columbus #1345.

Ray Ziemba, Asst Scoutmaster

Columbiette Auxiliary Report

***"Hot town summer in the city
Back of my neck getting dirty and gritty
Been down, isn't it a pity
Doesn't seem to be a shadow in the city"
(The Lovin Spoonful, 1966)***

Congratulation to our new slate of Columbiette officers who were installed at our June meeting for the 2017-2018 year.

They are: Laura Labetti: President
Ann Panfile: Vice President
Marge Kenter: Secretary
Lillian Holmes: Financial Secretary
Michele Sciarrino: Treasurer
Maureen Italiano: Sentinel
Nina Di Costanzo - Past President

We wish them much success in their new positions.

As we prepare to celebrate our Fourth of July along with fireworks, flag waving parades, picnics and concerts, here are some "Musical Fun Facts" you may not know that are associated with this famous date in history.

*The Beach Boys, "I Get Around" reached #1 on Billboard Charts on July 4, 1965. The musical "1776" premiered on Broadway in 1969 and ran for 1217 performances. The production won three Tony Awards including one for best musical, and, the song, "Yankee Doodle Dandy" was sung originally by British officers making fun of backwoods Americans. Enjoy your 4th of July and.....**Cheers to he....Red, White, and Blue!***

Roberta Elwell, Past Pres, Publicity

Columbiette Charitable Donations-2017

St. John's Council	\$500.
Columbian Club	\$500.
St. Mary's Church Elevator Fund	\$500.
St. John's Church Sr. Trinity Scholarship	\$400.
TACA-Talk about Curing Autism	\$500.
Several Sources Pregnancy Center	\$500
Family Promise	\$300
Juvenile Arthritis	\$300.
T J Riley Senior Center	\$200.
ASCPG	\$500
Sarah Connor - Good Student Award	<u>\$200.</u>
Total	\$4400.

Nina Di Costanzo, President

K of C Organ Donor Program

Brothers, with your family and friends, become an organ donor because the life that gets saved just might sit across from you at dinner tonight.

Sign up at: www.registerme.org/knights

Greg Ryan, Assistant Chairman
201-919-2535

Religious and Civil Rights

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic, charitable men's Organization. As Father John F Murray would say "it is the strong right arm of the Catholic Church". I firmly believe the Catholic Church is under siege. Whether it is government or Insurance companies forcing Catholic employers and Catholic Hospitals to provide Birth control, abortions and assisting in assisted suicide makes no difference. Right now Planned Parenthood receives your tax dollars. Planned Parenthood is this country's largest Abortion Provider. What is going on??

DGK Matt Connell, Chairman