

WHISPERS OF FAITH

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Don Bosco #7784

President's Message

Pam Raynor

Grand Knight's Message

Richard Matrisciano

I hope everyone had a happy and blessed Easter. Keep the spirit alive during the weeks of the Easter season leading up to Pentecost, the birthday of our Church.

Don Bosco continues to move toward attaining Star Council status. This is a big achievement and our brothers have worked hard to achieve it.

On the weekend of April 23rd and 24th we held our annual diaper drive at St. Joseph and Good Shepherd parishes. The diapers and wipes go to four local pro-life organizations that council women with unplanned or unwanted pregnancies. Since I'm writing this before the drive I'll comment on the results in next month's Whispers.

During our prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood in Newton during the weeks of Lent the facility was closed or closed early many of the days. Whether it was because of our presence we don't know. We do know that the presence of the Holy Spirit can change hearts and save lives. Vivat Jesus! Jesus Lives.

Our world is still troubled. Russia is still advancing its military into Ukraine causing death, destruction and displacement of so many, mainly women and children. The Knights in Ukraine and Poland have continued to help refugees with food, clothing and shelter.

Our next CUF will more than likely not be held until Fall, possibly tying it in with Columbus Day. It will follow a recruitment drive.

Dear Sisters,

We are in the blessed Easter season, and I hope everyone had a wonderful time with family and friends this Easter. It was so much better than the past two Easter services which were on Zoom.

Please help me welcome our newest member, Liz Wallace. She was inducted at our meeting on April 4th. I know Liz will join all our activities, where she will meet more Columbiette sisters.

May is gearing up to be one of our busiest months. We will have our May meeting on Monday, May 2nd and we will be collecting items for Birth Haven. Birth Haven is a facility for young mothers and their babies which give the young women hope, shelter and support, during and after their pregnancy.

On Wednesday, May 4th the Don Bosco, Newton #7784, will be the hosts for the Western Chapter meeting. If you are available and would like to set up, serve, and or clean up please let me know. We need helpers to show up at 6:00pm to set up tables and chairs for about forty members and clean up would be about 7:00pm. If you can help that would be fantastic.

On Sunday, May 15th, mark your calendar for our May crowning of Mary. It will happen after the 11:30am mass. Hailey Pepe, Pattie Losey's granddaughter will crown Mary at the outdoor arbor. Afterwards we will go to Dominick's for lunch and fellowship. I hope to see you on the 15th. There is a rain date of Sunday, May 22.

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August may seem a long time off, but it will be here before we know it, bringing with it the State Fair at the Augusta Fair Grounds. We will need volunteers to clean the food booth getting it in shape for the 8 day event. Each day we will have two 6 hour shifts; daily opening to afternoon and afternoon to closing.

I hope to see our brothers Knights and sister Columbiettes signing up as early as possible so we can have a smooth operation every day.

So many of our brothers and members of their families are having health problems. We ask for continued prayer for all, as well as for peace in Ukraine and elsewhere. Being a Christian in many countries make one a target for abuse and even murder. K of C Charities is helping Christians relocate and even rebuild in their home towns. Check out what we're doing on the Supreme Website https://www.kofc.org and see if you can help.

We're planning a candy drive Friday May 21st & Saturday the 22nd at Hayek's. Proceeds go to Diocesan Department of Persons with Disabilities. Stop by if you

have a chance, say hello and leave a donation. You don't even have to take the candy!

Peace.

GK Rich Matrisciano

Just a reminder of our June donations, of backpacks, coins, small size toiletries, for the homeless people. The can tabs are piling up. Last year we collected fifty-two pounds, let's hope we can match, or even better, beat fiftytwo pounds!!

I want to say "THANK YOU" for always offering prayers for our Sisters and their family and friends when the call comes to me, for our help during a medical crisis.

Wishing you and our family a wonderful Springtime.

God bless you,

Thank you all for supporting our Pizza Fundraiser! We raised \$200!



Columbiette Upcoming Events



See you May 2nd! Donations for Birth Haven



WE ARE HOSTING WESTERN CHAPTER WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH

On Sunday, May 15, with a rain date of May 22, we will have our outdoor May crowning. The crowning will be followed by lunch at Dominick's. Hope to see everyone there for some needed Sister Socialization.







Susan Kadar, Amy Keegan, Michael Palumbo, Louise and Geoffrey Crann, the unborn, the people of Ukraine, and all who need or have asked for our prayers and all the unspoken intentions.

Please submit all newsletter prayer requests to Patty Savacool.



Don't forget the candy drive!

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Save the Date

The Fair is coming!!! August 5th - August 13th

Stay tuned for updates about volunteering at the fair. People will also be needed at the end of July to help clean up and get the booth ready.

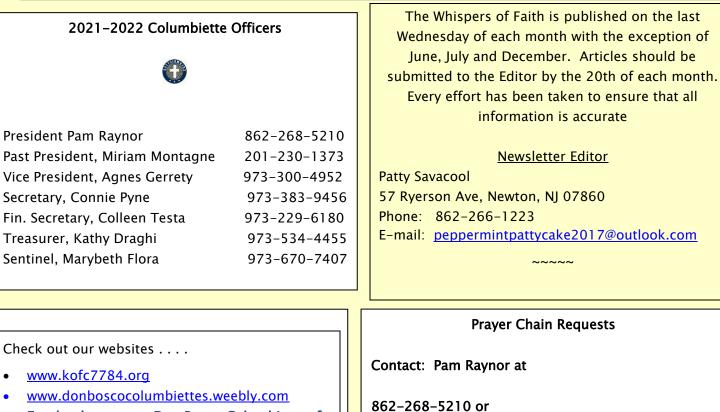


The Columbiettes, at the suggestions of our Peggy Bopp, are sponsoring a campaign to seek our Blessed Mother's intercession for the United States of America. Please support this endeavor to pray TWO MILLION HAIL MARYS. Please ask family members, friends, neighbors, church groups, etc. to pray Hail Mary's to help in obtaining this goal. All Hail Mary counts can be e-mailed to: hailmarysfortheUSA@gmail.com.

Our tally so far is: 1,791,255! One more month left. K<u>eep praying</u>!



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- Facebook page at: Don Bosco Columbiettes for • updated information on events.
- www.squirettes-marysangels.weebly.com

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2021-2022 Slate of Officers

Happy Mother's Day!

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