



WHISPERS OF FAITH



Don Bosco #7784

President's Message

Pam Raynor

Dear Sister Columbiettes,

On Saturday, July 27th the new officers of Don Bosco Columbiettes #7784 were installed and began their biennium. After an evening of fine food and fellowship, I am ready to take on my new position as president. As I write my first message for our newsletter, Whispers of Faith you will see some changes. With the help of our editor, Patty Savacool, we have trimmed the newsletter to four pages. I felt information could be consolidated and this would save us money on printing costs.

By now you should have received your "Welcome Card" that gives you information about our schedule of monthly donations, events, and important internet information. I look forward to seeing you at our meetings and Columbiettes events. If you have questions, concerns and/or ideas to make our Auxiliary fantastic, please contact me at pamraynor.donboscocolumbiettes@gmail.com

As my first official act I offer a heartfelt "Thank you" to our officers of 2017-2019. Miriam, Pat, Louise, Amy, Maureen, Colleen and Theresa worked so very hard to make our Don Bosco Columbiettes #7784 one of the finest auxiliaries in the State. Proof of my statement was seen at the Columbiettes June convention. This past year our auxiliary collected 95 pounds of can tabs, which is over 135,850 can tabs. We filled 64 backpacks and I have raised the bar for 2020. My goal is that we will donate 75 bags. I am in awe; church members have read our articles in the bulletin and are purchasing school supplies and backpacks for us. We were also able to donate 24, gallon size bags of personal care products that went to the Shoebox ministry, which will go to shelters and to the homeless. During the year we were able to collect over \$250.00 dollars in change., "Our Pennies from Heaven" does add up. We added to the amount for a grand total of \$350., which was sent to State for seminarians, and postulants in the 5 dioceses in New Jersey.

At the 2019 convention the Don Bosco Columbiettes, earned 6 awards. For our 100% participation in the 2018-2019 Charity Raffle earned us one award. We increased our membership by 3% and earned the second award. This award is called the Founders Award. The third award was for completing the "Families Working Together" Activity program. The fourth award was the Retention Award. Our fifth award called Pennies for Vocations, was given to us for collecting \$350.00, to help support the Vocations Fund. Our final award was given to us because of our 100% participation in the State Support Fund.

Our own, Pat Keegan, Amy Keegan, Vicky Bird, Miriam Montagne, and Don Bosco Knight Jim Bird, participated in the Wounded Warriors tank pull, a 40-ton tank was pulled in 9.38 seconds. This tank pull raises funds to ensure that their service will not be forgotten. **A VERY BIG SPECIAL" THANK YOU"** to all the Columbiettes who worked at the Knights of Columbus food booth in early August. Your time and efforts were greatly appreciated.

I hope to see you on **TUESDAY, September 3rd** starting at 7:00pm at our first meeting of the new year.

Sincerely,
Pam Raynor

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UPCOMING KOC COUNCIL EVENTS**September**

- 5th Officer's Meeting
- 12th Council Meeting
- 25th Fourth Degree Meeting
- 29th Family Rosary/Fifth Sunday

October

- 3rd Officer's Meeting
- 6th Rose Sale
- 10th Council Meeting
- 13th Migrant Ministry Dinner
- 20th George Flynn Prostate Cancer Bowling
- 23rd Fourth Degree Meeting

COLUMBIETTE-UPCOMING EVENTS**September**

- 3rd - Auxiliary meeting at 7 p.m. Donation Snacks and Juice Boxes for kids' lunches. To be donated to St. Mother Theresa Food Pantry

October

- 2nd- Western Chapter Meeting Long Valley-7pm
- 5th Past President's Luncheon Lafayette House 12 noon.
- 7th Possible First Degree 6:30pm
- Auxiliary Meeting 7pm
- Donation - Pet items (food, toys, blankets, etc.--no opened food containers) for Father John's Animal Rescue
- 27th Past State President's Testimonial Dinner in honor of Vicki Bird. 1:00 Welcome Reception and Dinner Somerville Elks Lodge, Bridgewater, NJ

Congratulations to our Vicki Bird!

**WELCOME
BACK!!**

Has your name, address, or telephone number changed?

Please let Colleen Testa or Patty Savacool know so they can update your information. We are going to have a busy year and want to be sure that you know all about all the planned activities

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Colleen Testa, Linda Flynn, Marion Gillen, Susan Kadar, Amy Keegan, Michael Palumbo, Michael Polster, Anne Kappelmeier
The Savacool Family, Louise Crann, and Roberta Treptau.

Please submit all newsletter prayer requests to Patty Savacool.



Save the Date!
Past President's Luncheon for
Miriam Montagne
Saturday, October 5th
Lafayette House
12 Noon
Sign up at the Meeting.
Hope to you see you there!



Don't Forget to shop for your backpack items now!

Backpack Ideas
 Pens, Pencils, Markers, Highlighters
 Notebooks, binders, All kinds of paper.
 Mini-staplers, paperclips, scissors.
 Calculators, sticky notes, crayons, tape,
 Colored pencils, folders, tape,
 Pencil boxes, glue sticks.



SOS—WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Don Bosco Columbiettes are sponsoring a campaign to seek our Blessed Mother's intercession for Salvation Of Souls. Please support this endeavor to collectively say ONE MILLION HAIL MARYS by praying and reporting the amount of Hail Marys you have said. This campaign will run from September 8, 2019 (Our Blessed Mother's birthday) to May 31, 2020. A dedicated e-mail address has been set up at:

hailmarysforSOS@gmail.com

to receive tallies from anyone at any time.

NG State Council Columbiettes

Testimonial Dinner in Honor of
Victoria Bird
2017-2019 NG State President

Sunday, October 27th, 2019

1:00pm Welcome Reception and Dinner
Sommerville Elks Lodge
\$60 Per Person

FIRST DEGREE—October 7th at 6:30 p.m.

If you know anyone who is interested in joining, please have them contact our Membership Director (Pattie Losey) so that they can be contacted and interviewed prior to the ceremony. Refer them to the website for an application.

Don't forget that your name gets put in a \$100 drawing at the State Convention in June 2019 for every three new members you recruit.



2019–2020 Columbiette Officers

President Pam Raynor	862-268-5210
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SQUIRETTES—SEEKING ANGELS

The Squirettes of Mary, Circlette of Mary's Angels, sponsored by the Don Bosco Columbiettes is looking for more angels! If you know of any young practicing Catholic females aged 10-17 who are interested in joining this group, please have them contact Miriam Montagne for additional information. Meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month in the Community Center from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

2019-2020 Slate of Officers

Grand Knight - SK Jim McDonald
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Check out our websites . . . .

- [www.kofc7784.org](http://www.kofc7784.org)
- [www.donboscocolumbiettes.weebly.com](http://www.donboscocolumbiettes.weebly.com)
- Facebook page at: Don Bosco Columbiettes for updated information on events.
- [www.squirettes-marysangels.weebly.com](http://www.squirettes-marysangels.weebly.com)

**Prayer Chain Requests**

Contact: Pam Raynor at

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