

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



UNION COUNCIL #4504

50th *Anniversary Celebration*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2007

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL

1034 JEANETTE AVENUE

UNION, NEW JERSEY

GRAND KNIGHT: ANDREW SHOPPER

ENTERTAINMENT BY "SOUND INVESTMENT"

Union Council 4504 1957-2007

On December 2, 1957, the Knights of Columbus, a Catholic fraternal service organization granted Charter 4504 to a group of 120 men from St. Michael's Church in Union, New Jersey. From that day forward, the Council has grown to become the largest Council in the State of New Jersey, and now boasts over 1750 members.

In the first four years of its existence, the Council held its meetings at the VFW Hall in Union, but in 1961, they purchased property at 1034 Jeanette Avenue, and dedicated their Council Home on September 9, 1961.

In 1964, they expanded their facility to include the Columbian Swim Club. In order to do so, members and their families put up their personal property as collateral. The Swim Club has recently concluded its 43rd year of operation.

When Holy Spirit Church was formed in 1963, the Union Council hosted a series of social events with the Pastor of that new Church in an effort to assist him in becoming more familiar with his new parishioners. The Council has had close affiliations with both of the Catholic Churches in Union since that time.

From its inception, the Council has been focused on providing social and religious programs for its members and their families. These efforts have included sponsoring softball, basketball, bowling teams and swim clubs for the children of its members, as well as offering scholarships to Catholic High Schools for deserving students.

The Council has also been a proud supporter of the community as well. As far back as 1964, they have been providing a Christmas Nativity scene to the Township for use in its Christmas and Holiday decorations. The Council has also been an annual supporter of the Challenger Little League team which allows disabled children the opportunity to participate in an organized baseball league. In addition, they consistently donate money raised in their annual Special Citizens Drive to the Township's programs for disabled children. Indeed, the Council and its members have raised well over a quarter of a million dollars for local charities such as the Camp Fatima Children's Fund and the Cerebral Palsy League of Union.

Each year the Council conducts 2 food drives and donates the food to the St. Michael's food pantry for needy families in the area. Over the past 10 years, these drives have resulted in donations of over 15 tons of food, and the Council has consistently earned commendations from the State Knights of Columbus for the success of these drives.

The Knights have also supported charitable fund-raisers throughout the township and surrounding communities. They have generously donated the use of their Hall and grounds on numerous occasions to assist families in need or to assist local organizations with their own charitable endeavors.

Program

Master of Ceremonies Michael Scanlon

Welcome Andrew Schopfer
Grand Knight

Invocation

Presentations

Membership Award Rich Fuentes
Insurance Agent

Proclamations

N.J. State Legislature Hon. Joseph Cryan
Assemblyman

Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders
Hon. Deborah Scanlon
Freeholder

Township of Union Hon. Anthony Terrezza

— 50th Anniversary Committee —

Andrew Schopfer, Grand Knight
Mike Scanlon, Tom Hornig, PGK, Buddy Cotter, PGK,
Clarence Cunningham, PGK, Harry Lupo, PGK,
Mike Cavallo, PGK, Rob Salvatore, John Murphy,
John Peters, Frank Santangelo, Kevin Connors

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Charter Members - December 2, 1957

C. Adasczik	J. A. Kenny, Jr.	E. R. Schmidt	J. L. Dukes	J. V. Milo
W. Adamczyk	R. Kotchkowski	W. J. Segale	E. Flammer	F. J. Murphy
R. Bachefski	J. M. Lang	C. S. Shea	P. Fresulone	I. J. O'Neil
W. Bauer, Jr.	R. A. Lang	M. S. Simon	J. S. Futej	M. E. Pacyna
L. F. Baumann	H. R. Leary	R. H. J. Slavin	J. J. Gardner	E. J. Pawlowski
R. J. Bischoff	E. LeCompte	W. J. Smith	J. W. Gaynor	F. A. Perina, Jr.
P. J. Bodner, Jr.	L. J. Ludovico	R. S. Struening	L. Giacona	F. M. Pitt
J. T. Bradley	R. J. Lynch	M. J. Tymczyn	B. Godesky	S. A. Raffo
E. J. Brennan	J. J. Mahon	J. B. Calladares	W. A. Golonka	P. J. Rakowski
F. Burger	S. F. Majkrzak	L. Zehnbauer, Jr.	M. A. Hayes	N. A. Renninger
T. J. Butler	E. M. Mayer	P. J. Gethings	M. G. Henriques	J. J. Reynolds
E. J. Casey	O. P. Mende, Sr.	T. G. Arminio	C. M. Hurley	A. F. Ring
D. L. Chemidlin	O. P. Mende, Jr.	W. C. Arner	C. A. Howes	C. T. Ruloff
J. R. Confroy	J. P. Miller	G. A. Arnold	F. F. Janus	F. J. Saake, Sr.
W. T. Conroy	J. J. Moxley	Rev. E. J. Begley	F. J. Johnson	F. J. Segale
A. A. Dietlein	F. D. McCann	G. Bonanno	R. Kaiser	J. Dougherty
G. D. Donovan	R. B. O'Day	Dr. J. J. Cappelto	K. G. Kiss	S. Mennella
R. E. Drew	E. J. Olsen	H. E. Chemidlin	W. Kiziukiecz	J. A. Walsh
J. J. Dzuna	T. A. Owens, Jr.	J. M. Cocuzza	C. L. Lynch	J. F. Segale
Rev. F. M. Eid	S. J. Pribula	J. J. Connell	E. A. Mach	V. D. Slavin
A. J. Farmer	B. C. Raymond	T. M. Crimmins	J. Malone	C. C. Smialowicz
J. R. Graybush	E. J. Reilly, Jr.	W. S. Darrow	A. J. Martin	Dr. A. Spirito
V. J. Gorman	D. W. Rinaldo	W. N. Donnelly	J. W. Martin	V. Squazzo
J. F. H. Haggerty	M. J. Rinaldo	Rev. J. Driscoll	A. J. Mayer	M. A. Tomko
B. W. Hehl	F. J. Saake, Jr.	T. Drogan	H. A. Mayer	J. S. Zimmerman

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Past Grand Knights - PGK

Howard Leary 1957-1959	John Winters 1974-1975	Robert Pfarr 1990-1991
John Zimmerman 1959-1960	Andrew Popp 1975-1976	Donald Pfarr 1991-1992
Thomas Crimmins 1960-1961	James Moran 1976-1977	James O'Connell 1992-1993
George Arnold 1961-1962	Kenneth Pinney 1977-1978	Raymond Fluet 1993-1994
James Confroy 1962-1963	Roy Trupiano 1978-1979	Robert Wozniak 1994-1995
William Taylor 1963-1964	Julius Kiss 1979-1980	Ernie Santorelli 1995-1996
Frank Dickerson 1964-1965	James Johnson 1980-1981	Raymond Pruszkowski 1996-1997
Warren Hehl 1965-1966	Roger Schur 1981-1982	Lawrence Killmer 1997-1998
Walter Wasowski 1966-1967	Henry Mey 1982-1983	Richard Esposito 1998-1999
Russell Coen 1967-1968	Thomas Hornig 1983-1984	Kevin Collins 1999-2000
Henry Skarbek 1968-1969	Leonard Pannucci 1984-1985	Clarence Cunningham 2000-2001
Julian Pruszkowski 1969-1970	Michael Ward 1985-1986	Michael Cavallo 2002-2004
Robert Armstrong 1970-1971	Thomas McGawey 1986-1987	Joseph Demarco 2004-2005
Dominick Clementoni 1971-1972	Paul Sandey 1987-1988	Harry Lupo 2005-2006
Barney Capriglione 1972-1973	Michael Carr 1988-1989	Buddy Cotter 2006-2007
Michael Tomko 1973-1974	Michael Gasser 1989-1990	