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50th Anniversary of our Building

In September of 1961, our Council home was officially dedicated and has served as the focal point for Council 4504 for the past 50 years. Anyone interested in serving on a committee to discuss ways of properly celebrating the golden anniversary of our home should contact Deputy Grand Knight Andy

Annual Toast for New Officers

On Thursday evening **June 30**, we will hold the annual toast to recognize the outgoing and incoming officers of the Council, Columbian Club and the Columbiettes at 10:00 pm at the outside bar. Sandwiches and other snacks will be served.

Please join us to celebrate the end of a very successful Columbian year and to mark the beginning of the new year which begins on July 1.



Volunteer Needed at Runnells

Brothers, every 5th Sunday, Council 4504 visits Runnells Specialized Hospital in Berkley Heights to comfort the patients and assist those who wish to attend Mass.

Due to greater attendance, the Mass has now been moved from the 1st floor Chapel to the 3rd floor and help is always needed. If you wish to lend us about 2 hours of your time on Sunday mornings, please call Nick Belmonte at 908-447-1869.

Shield Awards Scheduled for Tuesday, June 28th

On Tuesday evening **June 28**, Union Council 4504 will host the annual Shield Awards at our Council home. The event honors the accomplishments of a member of the Union Police, Fire, EMS and Senior Citizens Council, and will include begin at 7:00 pm. There will be no Council meeting preceding the event, and will include light refreshments rather than a full dinner.

Following the presentation of the Shield Awards, the Council will then hold its awards presentation, recognizing the contributions of the Knights of the Month, as well as those who have made contributions to the Council throughout the year. The highlight of the evening will be presentations to the Knight of the Year and the Columbian of the year.

We will then close out the evening with the drawing of the final charitable raffle of the year, with those proceeds donated to the charities of our Special Citizens Drive. Additional tickets will be available from John Murphy up to the time of the drawing.

Monmouth Park Rack Track

Join us at the Winner's Circle Top Of The Stretch July 9th Gates Open at 11:30a

> \$32.00 per person Includes: Tap Beer and Soda Sausage and Peppers Hamburgers Salads Entrance Fee Program and Pen

For more information contact: Jamie Zappulla at 908-380-9155 or email: jkbc87@yahoo.com Joe Pesany at 732-233-6601 or email: jpesany2@yahoo.com

Knight Digest

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or via email to: **tomdudek@att.net**. You must clearly identify all people in photos submitted and at what council event the photo was taken. Photos with alcoholic beverages will not be considered. Photos may also be submitted via email as hi-resolution image files. Hard copy photos will only be returned when accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Council Officers

District Deputy Lawrence Killmer, PGK
Grand KnightJoe Burlew
Deputy Grand Knight Andy Schopfer, PGK
ChancellorKyle Wiklanski
Warden Alex Costa
RecorderSteve Nagy
Treasurer Frank Santangelo
Fin. Secretary Thomas Hornig, PGK
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Outside Guard Gregory Henn
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3rd. Yr. Trustee Rob Salvatore, PGK
2nd Yr. TrusteeMike Peter, PGK
1st Yr. TrusteeTom Conte
4th Degree Faithful Navigator. Allen Pascullo
Columbian Club PresidentMike Scanlon
Swim Club PresidentAllen Pascullo
Columbiette PresidentChristine Burlew

Monthly Meetings

1st. MonCouncil Officers
2nd & 4th Mon Council
3rd Mon Swim Club
4th Wed4th Degree Assembly
4th Thu Columbian Club

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

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Brothers Knights,

It has been a great honor to be Grand Knight of Union Council 4504, and together we have had a great year and accomplished great things.

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I have discovered much this past year, not only about myself but also of those around me. Most importantly with "Team Work" and good communications an-

ything can be accomplish.

I would like to thank my Council Officers, and my chairpersons without their help it would have been impossible to achieve anything. I would also like to thank everyone who stepped up and helped in any way this past year.

In addition, to the Columbian Club Board, Columbian Swim Club and the Columbiettes, Thank You! I enjoyed working with you all, your corporation and support was exceptional.

Congratulations to our incoming Grand Knight Andy Schopfer PGK, and the new Council Officer's. I wish all of the incoming officers of their respective clubs, the best of luck in the upcoming year.

In closing, I would like to thank my wife Christine, without her support and understanding I would not have made it through the year. I love you!

Everyone enjoy a great summer & see you on the patio!

"I don't think much of a man who is not wiser today than he was yesterday."

Abraham Lincoln

Vivat Jesus! Joseph Burlew Sr., Grand Knight 2010-2011



Fishing Trip

The annual fluke fishing trip will take place on July 21, 2011 aboard the Misty Morn. The fare will be \$50.00 per person. The boat leaves at 7:00 PM sharp from the Morgan Creek.

Anyone interested should contact Bob Calderone at 908-337-2504. We can take 45 fares and sign-ups are first come first serve.

Knights Family Dinner

The next Knights Family Dinner will be held on June 16th from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM in the Council Hall.

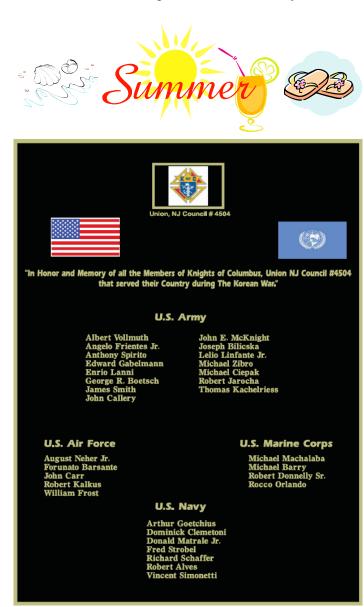
> Family of 4 - \$25.00 Adults - \$8.00 Children & Seniors - \$6.00

> > Cash Bar Available 50/50's

All money raised will be donated to charity!

Advance Tickets Available

Contact Frank Santangelo - franksanta1@yahoo.com





Knight of the Month June 2011



Frank Santangelo



Over the past several years, our Council has been fortunate to be able to rely on the cooking skills of Frank Santangelo at many of our events, ranging from communion breakfasts, the Past Grand Knights Dinner, the annual picnic, and most recently at our monthly Family dinners. However, he has proven to be most valuable in the planning for the annual convention, when he has traditionally

taken charge of transporting the grill and cooking the dinner served on the Friday night of the convention.

Early on in the planning phases for this year's convention, Frank realized that he would be unable to attend due to his daughter's college graduation being held the same weekend. Undeterred, Frank still volunteered his time in the week before the convention to buy the ingredients and prepare four entrees to be served on Friday night. In addition, when he realized that no one who was going this year had a vehicle which could transport the grill, he also made arrangements to lend his truck to a fellow Knight to ensure that the grill was available for our cooking needs.

For his efforts at going above and beyond for the good of our Council, we are proud to name Frank as the Knight of the Month for June.

Frank has been employed by the US Corp of Engineers for over 25 years, and has been married to his wife Ruthann for over 28 years. He has 3 children, twins Frank and Emily, and his youngest Julia. He and his family attend St. Michael's Church, and in addition to cooking, Frank is an avid bowler.

Congratulations, Frank!



Pool News

Pool Hours



Weekend 12 noon until 7pm

Starting June 25 thru July: 12 noon until 8 PM

August: noon until 7 PM



Note: Pool members need to show a valid council dues card to receive pool badges.



Council honors Korean War Veterans

This year we honored are members who served in our Military during the Korean War with the Flag Ceremony after our annual poolside Mass in remembrance of Memorial Day. A plaque was presented to be displayed in the Council hall listing our members that served during the Korean War. Pictured; Steve Nagy program co-chairman, Dominick Clementoni PGK, John Mirynowski, Joe Burlew GK, John McKnight, Richard Schaefer, and Len Komar program chairman.

A FINAL MESSAGE FROM THE COLUMBIAN CLUB PRESIDENT

Dear Brothers,

As the saying goes, all good things must come to an end. I hope you would agree with me that my tenure of approximately ten years, serving on the Columbian Club Board of Directors, and them moving up the Chairs as Kitchen Manager, Bar Manager and ultimately President has been a positive influence on our Council.

In my early years on the Columbian Club Board you have to listen and learn the workings of the Columbian Club, which I may say was very eye opening. I was in awe of what the Columbian Club actually does. The Columbian Club is responsible for all maintenance of the council home, property, insurance, utility bills and much more. Thankfully much of these endeavors were able to have been done in house. Our utility bills and insurance are unbelievable unless you are really involved. (The Columbian Club receives no portion of your Council dues). I would like to thank my predecessors who at one time or another I banged heads with; Past Columbian Club President, Harry Lupo (Rest in Peace my friend), Allen Pascullo, Jamie Zappulla, and Bob Calderone (**Twice - "what were we thinking**"). However we were on the same page for the good of the Council.

As I leave Columbian Club President of the end at June I must say that the Columbian Club is financially solvent, not depending on any other entity of the council. This was not accomplished by me alone, but the initiatives that myself and the board agreed to for the better of the council. Always remember, there is no one that is bigger than the Council, Columbian Club, and Swim Club. (Oops I forgot the Columbiettes and I'm not rewriting this!)

Although my term has come to an end, you can believe that my devotion to # 4504 will never end. I will be there to support the Council, Columbian Club, Swim Club and yes even the Columbiettes as I hope all will.

I wish to offer congratulations to outgoing Grand Knight, Joe Burlew and Columbiette President, Chrissy Burlew, as I'm sure you will agree things have gotten much better.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention a few things. I have made many acquaintances and friends that I believe I will cherish forever; these individuals who as I stated earlier "banged heads" with, but all for the good of the council.

As I turn over the "gavel", I couldn't be turning it over to a better person, my brother-in-law, Mike Panella. Mike is a brother-in-law but to me he is like a blood brother. I can only ask that you support him and the rest of the Columbian Club Directors and Officers as you have me.

In closing, this is in my heart My wife, Liz of 33 years has supported me and this council in a way that is actually beyond supportive. I thank you for your love and devotion ... you are and always will be my rock. My son, Mike, Jr., you were always there to drive me, go to the store for me, and slice meat for me in the kitchen – I love you. The apple doesn't fall far from the tree. What can I say about the "apple of my eye", my daughter, Kelly Anne. You did all the computer work, bar schedules, flyers for events, helped in the kitchen, sold raffles and 50/50's, etc. You are Daddy-O's LiL' Girl!

June 2011

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	Meeting and 1st Degree		2nd Degree			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
					3rd Degree	
26	27	28	29	30		
		Meeting & Shield Awards 6:30p		Champagne Toast 10p		

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