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January 8th Casino Day
 January 21st..... Annual Swim Club Meeting 7:30p
 February 12th Valentine's Dinner Dance
 February 14th Special Election
 July 14th - 17th..... Yankee Trip to Toronto

HAPPY NEW YEAR

KofC 4504 Council Officer Special Election

There will be a special election held on February 14, 2010 at our regular business meeting for the vacant office of Deputy Grand Knight. This election will fill the Deputy Grand Knight vacant position from February 14, through the remainder of this Columbian Year.

Honoring Korean War Veterans

Union Council # 4504 would like to honor its Korean War Veterans for the Mass next year on Saturday of the Memorial Day weekend. To do this we would like all members of Council #4504 that served in the US Military during the Korean War, or their family members to please send us their names and Branch of Service to Len Komar care of the Council or email to nj6660@earthlink.net.

The names of all Korean War Veterans will be posted on an Honor Roll on our Council's web site.

Swim Club News

The annual Columbian Swim Club meeting has been scheduled for Friday, January 21, 2011 at 7:30pm. The meeting will take place in the Union Knights of Columbus Council #4504 Hall.

The following topics will be discussed: Pool Rules and Regulations & Membership Fees. There will also be an Election of Officers for Board of Directors positions whose three-year terms have been completed.

Also: Swim club members will be receiving their 2011 Swim Club Membership Renewal in the mail in January, please look for it.

Allen Pascullo, Swim Club President

Presented Jointly by the Knights of Columbus & Columbiettes
 Of Union Council 4504

"Knights Family Dinners"

3rd Thursday of Each Month from
 September - April

Serving from 6:30 -8:30 pm
 Council Hall



Check the Website for the Menu --- www.kofc4504.org
 \$10.00 Adults \$6.00 Seniors & Kids under 12

Includes:

Dinner, Salad, Bread & Soda
 Coffee & Dessert



All Money Raised will be Donated to Charity!

Advance Tickets Available Contact:

Chris Burlew 908-403-1590 or Chrissi714@aol.com

Joe Burlew 908-507-4875 or joedis@aol.com

Union County Police & Fire Pipes & Drums presents: CASINO DAY

When: Saturday, January 8, 2011

Where: Mount Airy Lodge & Casino, PA

Cost: \$40.00 Per Person

Includes: Luxury bus transportation, canned beer & water on bus, \$35 Slot Play, Pizza back at the Knights Lounge.
 Bus departs at 10:30a sharp from the Council Hall.

Limited Seating - Reservations by December 29th. Contact John Peters at 908-296-1638.

Officer Interviews

The Council will be holding interviews for prospective candidates for an opening for a Council Officer position. Interested 3rd Degree candidates in good standing should contact Mike Peter, PGK at 908-759-3588 or email mikepeter46@yahoo.com to arrange an interview. The Nominating committee consists of Chairman: Mike Peter PGK, Council representative: Rob Salvatore PGK, Council representative: Steve Helmstetter, Columbian Club representative: Frank Santamauro and Swim Club representative: Len Komar. Please have a short biography prepared for submission to Committee.

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Union, NJ 07083

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 Knight.....Joe Burlew
Deputy Grand KnightGino Gonzalez
ChancellorKyle Wiklanski
Warden.....Alex Costa
Recorder Steve Nagy
TreasurerFrank Santangelo
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Outside GuardSteve Stochlinski
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3rd. Yr. Trustee Rob Salvatore, PGK
2nd Yr. Trustee..... Mike Peter, PGK
1st Yr. Trustee.....Tom Conte
4th Degree Faithful Navigator ... Allen Pascullo
Columbian Club President.....Mike Scanlon
Swim Club President..... Allen Pascullo
Columbiette President Christine Burlew

Monthly Meetings

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

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT



Brother Knights,

New Beginnings

This is a time for reflection as well as celebration.

As you look back on the past year and all that has taken place in your life,

Remember each experience for the good that has come of it and for the knowledge you have gained.

Remember the efforts you have made and the goals you have reached.

Remember the love you have shared and the happiness you have brought.

Remember the laughter, the joy, the hard work, and the tears.

In addition, as you reflect on the past year think of the new one to come.

Most importantly, this is a time of new beginnings and the celebration of life.

Have a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Vivat Jesus!
Joe Burlew Sr., GK



Happy New Year

Those were the Days and Knights

Our Council Home

Taken from the Grand Knight's Message of Grand Knight Thomas M. Crimmins in the January 1961 Knight Digest.

"Brothers: The year 1961 will always be an outstanding year in our Council for it will be the year that we will meet in our own building. In the short span of approximately three years Union Council has prospered and grown beyond all expectations and has risen to a position of respect and esteem in our honored order and in our community. It is the zeal and diligent efforts of brothers like yourself that has brought us to this point in our history."

Prior to having our own Council home, our Council would hold it's meetings at the Union Elks and V.F.W. halls but soon they would have their own building.

In the March 1960 Digest Columbian Club President Warren Hehl revealed that the title to the Jeanette Ave. property was close to being closed on, and that the Building Fund Drive was in the final stages and receipts were certainly gratifying, and donations of services and materials had increased.

On the cover of the April Digest was a photo of Mayor Biertuempfel presenting us the Deed to the site of our future Council home.

The September Digest announced that pledges had exceeded \$31,000 for the new building and that Frederick Fischer a fellow Brother Knight had been authorized as the architect for the project with preliminary drawings being submitted over the summer.

In October the Columbian Club filed the application for the Club liquor license.

By December, 334 pledges totaling \$34,000 had been received from the less than 500 Brothers of our Council. On December 1960 they held a Ground Breaking with Father Driscoll and Warren Hehl turning the first shovels of dirt.

Construction went on through 1961 with a set back in the spring when pouring the fitting the concrete kept disappearing in one spot and a soil engineering had to be called in to solve the problem, and on September 9, 1961 they held the Formal Opening with Monsignor Edward J. Begley blessing the corner stone.

This was such a great undertaking for a Council that was Chartered just a little more than 4 years before. In just over 4 years Union Council # 4504 went from nothing to a Council of almost 500 Brothers with their own new Council home.

So as you enter the Council home, remember that 50 years ago our Council home on Jeanette Ave. was just a dream for the Knights of Council #4504. Now it is a reality that we are fortunate to be the caretakers of, and we owe a debt of gratitude to our predecessors for handing us the keys to their kingdom.



Knight of the Month

January 2011

Jerry Seubert



We are pleased to name Jerry Seubert Knight of the Month for January 2011. Jerry was born in Newark and raised in Iselin until he served his Country in the U.S. Marine Corps., or as Jerry sometimes refers to them Uncle Sam's Misguided Children for 4 years. Upon his discharge he worked for Ciccone welding and then Public Service Bus Company for about ten years. He then moved to Elizabeth and was a truck driver for almost 40 years until he recently retired.

He has been married to his wife Linda for thirty-seven years, and they never had a fight (that he won). He and Linda have six children, Jerry Jr., Dawn, Scott, Ricky, John, and Lisa. They are Parishioners of St. Mary's of the Assumption Church in Elizabeth. Jerry was a member of Elizabeth Knights of Columbus Council # 3310 before transferring to our Council when his son John made his Degrees here.

His favorite teams are the New York Giants and he was a big fan of the Brooklyn Dodgers back in the day.

Jerry enjoys retirement and the comradeship of his fellow Knights. He is always ready and willing to help out for the good of the Order and the Council, whether it be helping at the work parties, helping at events, working the booth at the Italian Feast, selling 50/50's, collecting for the Food Drives and the Special Citizens Drive, helping with the Veterans programs, or helping in the kitchen.

Recently along with his pals Richie and Mike, they prepared and cooked the Brunch after the Memorial Mass for Deceased Members as they had done the previous year. He is also starting to bartend. And he is usually easily recognized by his famous black fedora and cigar.

Congratulation to Jerry for being named Knight of the Month for January 2011.



Breaking ground for the new Council Hall.

Valentine's Dinner Dance

When: Saturday, February 12, 2011
Where: Knights of Columbus - Union, NJ
Time: 7:00 PM to 12 Mid-night

Dinner includes: appetizers, 3 course dinner, salad, soda, beer, coffee and dessert

Music provided by Eddie GWiz

Tickets: \$70.00 per couple or \$35.00 per person

Make checks payable to: Camp Fatima or Sr. Ann Dominic or Knights of Columbus

PROCEEDS WILL GO TO CAMP FATIMA *
Please help us support our children.

For further information contact:
Sr. Ann Dominic, OP, St. Michael's Convent
1211 Orange Avenue, Union, NJ 07083
(908) 686-5271

Or

Knights of Columbus
(908) 686-4504

Deadline for ordering tickets is February 8, 2011.
Please provide your name, phone number and the number of people attending when ordering tickets. Seating is eight or ten persons per table.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

No. of Tickets: _____

Total amount included: \$ _____

* NEW JERSEY'S only all volunteer one-to-one camp for persons with disabilities.

Come and Join the Fun



In Our Parishes...



St. Michael's Church

The Priests, staff and Parishioners of St. Michael's Church wish all the members of Union Knights of Columbus and their Families a very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year for 2011.

Holy Spirit Church

"Holy Hour for Life"

Come join us for a Holy Hour for Life
Praying before the Blessed Sacrament On
Wednesday, January 5, 2011
7:30 PM

At Holy Spirit Church
Suburban Avenue, Union, New Jersey
Sponsored by: Holy Spirit Respect Life Ministry

"Some Enchanted Evening"

On Thursday, January 27, 2011, Holy Spirit 60+ is sponsoring a great afternoon at New Jersey Pac to delight in seeing "South Pacific" the best Musical Revival which tells the sweeping and romantic story of two couples; how their happiness is threatened, not only the realities of War, but also by their own prejudices. \$60.00 includes orchestra ticket, bus transportation and a great box lunch. We depart at 10:15AM from Holy Spirit parking lot. Call



Yankee Road Trip to Toronto

We are scheduling our third pilgrimage to Canada from Thursday July 14th thru Sunday July 17th. In addition to seeing the Yankees play, you will be able to go to Niagara Falls to see the sites or to try your luck at the casinos.

The cost is approximately \$1,100 for 2 people, \$1,375 for three and \$1,650 for 4 people in a room. We will be staying at the world famous Renaissance Toronto Hotel which is attached to the stadium and we will be feasting at a scrumptious buffet on game day. In addition we will enjoy a luxurious motor coach ride to Toronto and Niagara Falls. Toronto is a fun city with many fantastic restaurants, the Hockey Hall of Fame as well as a great theater district.

There are a limited number of tickets available, so please call Steve Helmstetter at 908-688-5039 or email at helmstetter2@verizon.net A.S.A.P. to reserve your seat.



FOLLOW ME TO THE CONVENTION

Pack your gear and join me at this year's Knights of Columbus Convention in Wildwood. There is lots to do so come prepared. Convention is from Thursday May 12th through Sunday May 15th at the Adventurer Motel.

Letters will be mailed out and information will be posted on the Council's web site, or contact Andy Schopfer at for more details or to make your reservation.

Holiday Photos



January 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Officer's Mtg. 8:00p	4	5	6	7	8 Casino Day
9	10 Council Mtg. 8:15p	11 Columbiettes Mtg. 7:30p	12	13	14	15
16	17 Swim Club Mtg 7:30p	18	19	20 Family Dinner Night	21 Annual Swim Club Mtg.	22
23	24 No Council Mtg	25	26 4th Degree JFK Assembly 7:30p	27 Columbian Club Mtg. 7:30p	28	29
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