



## Knight Digest

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### Council Officers

*Chaplain*..... Rev. Msgr. Anselm Nwaorgu  
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*Grand Knight* ..... Gerry Aponte  
*Deputy Grand Knight* ..... Tony Oliviero  
*Chancellor*..... Vacant  
*Warden*..... Anthony Ibida  
*Recorder*..... Robert Pyncnels  
*Treasurer* ..... Chuck Cababe  
*Fin. Secretary*..... Luke Sangiamo  
*Inside Guard* ..... Angel Rengifo  
*Outside Guard*..... Romeo Puertollano  
*Membership Director* ..... Gerry Aponte  
*Program Director*..... Mike Peter, PGK  
*Lecturer*..... Raymond Gora  
*Advocate*..... Stephen F. Hehl  
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*Navigator* ..... Tony Oliviero  
*Columbian Club President* ..... Joe Marateo  
*Swim Club President* ..... Mike Harms  
*Columbiette President* ..... Fran Corcione

### Monthly Meetings

1st. Mon. ----- Council Officers  
 2nd Mon.----- Council Mtgs.  
 2nd Thu. ----- Columbiettes  
 4th Wed. ----- 4th Degree Assembly  
 4rd Thur. ----- Columbian Club

## MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT



Brother Knights,

Saint Patrick’s day has passed, and special thanks to all who organized, planned, and volunteered to make the Saint Patrick’s Day Party such an enjoyable event. Good music, food, and fantastic company, made for a memorable day. And many thanks to all who attended and helped to make the day successful.

With the end of Lent and the resurrection of our Lord comes renewal—the renewal of life, hope, and faith. Just as with Spring, we see the flowers emerge and bring color into the world, and so does the Lord’s resurrection, brightening the winter of our lives with hope and love. May this renewal of faith continue to blossom within you throughout the year. As warmer weather begins, the flowers and trees bloom; work parties would have started at the grove and pool. If you want to lend a hand, please contact any of our Columbian Club officers. We would greatly appreciate your help as we ensure our grounds are prepared for our families to enjoy during the summer season.

The Nominating Committee would like to present the slate of Officers for the incoming year of 2023-2024, which consists of the following:

### Nominating Committee

Chairman - Phillip Cababe PGK  
 Committee members: John Bashaw, Bill Young, Luke Sangiamo, and Buddy Cotter, PGK

### Officers

Grand Knight ..... Gerry Aponte  
 Deputy Grand Knight ..... Vacant  
 Chancellor..... Vacant  
 Warden ..... Angel Rengifo  
 Recorder ..... Michael Harms  
 Treasurer..... Anthony Spina  
 Financial Secretary ..... Steve Nagy, PGK  
 Inside Guard ..... Romeo Puertollano  
 Outside Guard..... Dennis Mann  
 Membership Director..... Gerry Aponte  
 Program Director ..... Vacant  
 Lecturer..... Ray Gora  
 Advocate..... Stephen Hehl  
 3rd. Yr. Trustee..... Leonard Komar Jr., PGK, PFN  
 2nd Yr. Trustee ..... Phillip Cababe, PGK  
 1st Yr. Trustee ..... Giftus John, PGK

Vivat Jesus!

## The Moving Wall

### Vietnam Veterans Memorial

The Union Knights of Columbus 4504 and the JFK Assembly 0666 have been asked by the Union Township Department of Economic Development to participate and assist the Township with hosting “The Moving Wall – Vietnam Veterans Memorial” initiative this May 17<sup>th</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Help is needed on May 17<sup>th</sup> with Wall Assembly and on May 22<sup>nd</sup> with Wall Disassembly.

Help is also needed from May 18<sup>th</sup> through May 21<sup>st</sup> manning the Information Table, Assisting Visitors in locating names, and assisting visitors getting to the wall/sitting area.

Any Brother and Sir Knight and family members and friends that are interested in helping can contact:

Michael harms at (908) 370-4126 or  
MikeMarisolAM@yahoo.com

Steve Nagy at (908) 967-9060 or  
toys4504@aol.com

More details will be in our May Knight Digest, on our Facebook page, and in Blast emails.

Please consider helping out with this great Honor for Union Township to host The Moving Wall.



## Knight of the Month

April 2023



### Chuck Cababe



Knight of the Month for April 2023 is Chuck Cababe.

When you think of the food drives and roses for life held at the Union Knights of Columbus and our parishes during the past years, the one name that comes to mind is that of

Chuck Cababe. No brother has exhibited such a commitment and concern for helping with the Council's food drives as Chuck.

Chuck celebrates 20 years with the Union Knights of Columbus #4504. Driven by his passion for feeding the poor, his brother Knights will know him for the many food drives he's been running since 2003. Getting his wife, Joyce, and son Phillip (PGK 2021-2022) involved, along with his brother Knights, he has kept Sr. Ann's food pantry well stocked.

Outside of serving in the Council, Chuck puts his all into his job as Comptroller at Patel Consultants Corp., where he's worked for the past 25 years. His favorite pastime is coming home from a hard work day to his family. He and Joyce enjoy walks, bike rides, reading, and going to the pool in the summertime. His interests include his ministries at St. Michael's, where he is a Lector. As a choir member, he has been asked to contribute writings on spirituality in their quarterly newsletter.

One can surmise that Chuck is a doer, and serving on the Council brings him much gladness. He is pleased that he passed on his enthusiasm to Phillip, who served as a Past Grand Knight for Council #4504.

We honor Chuck Cababe as April's Knight of the Month.

**SAVE *the* DATE**

**THE MOVING WALL  
VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL**

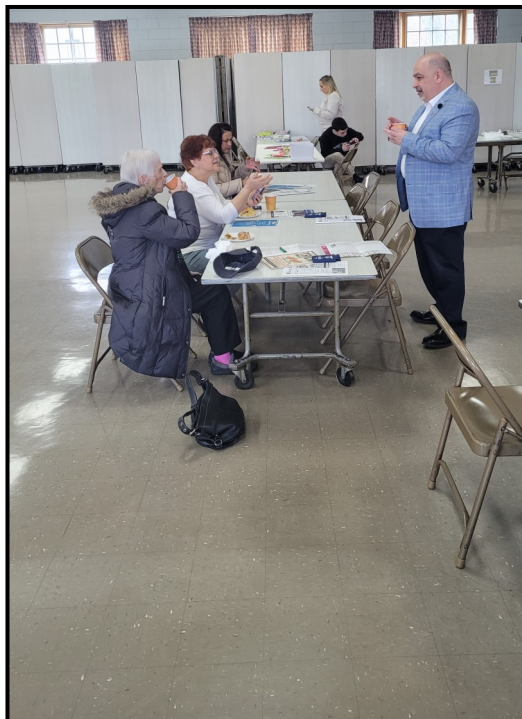
IS COMING TO THE  
**TOWNSHIP OF UNION**

**MAY 17 - 22 2023**



## Holy Spirit Church Hospitality Committee



On Sunday, February 26th, Council 4504 was invited by the Holy Spirit Hospitality Committee to the "Coffee And " after the 10:00 AM and 12:00 mass. It was nice to reconnect with fellow parishioners over light refreshments. This was the first "Coffee And" since Covid and we sincerely hope for many more. Thanks to Father Kris and the Hospitality Committee for the invite.





## Food Drive

Council 4504 food drive continues. We are accepting non perishable food at the Union Columbian Club. Thank all in advance.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

# FOOD DRIVE

All donations will be benefiting Sister Ann's Pantry.

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS CAN BE DONATED AT THE COLUMBIAN CLUB LOUNGE. YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY IS APPRECIATED!

## 4504 Union COLUMBIETTES



The Union Columbiettes is a women's organization and we work for all kinds of charities. We meet on the second Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM.

If you know a Catholic woman that would to join our ranks of sister's hood, please contact me Fran Corcione President at [mrrsc417@hotmail.com](mailto:mrrsc417@hotmail.com) or call 973-454-4145.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UNION COUNCIL 4504

2023 WILDWOOD CONVENTION  
MAY 19TH & 20TH



## RATES

For 2 Guests  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY: \$298  
THURSDAY TO SATURDAY: \$405  
+1 GUEST \$15 PER NIGHT

3 ROOM SUITE (2 BEDROOMS) - \$368 FOR 2 NIGHTS

Hospitality Room Fee - \$60 per guest

## NOTE:

- DEPOSITS BY 3/24.
- DEPOSITS WILL NOT BE REFUNDED AFTER MONDAY 3/27.
- BALANCE DUE: 5/14 DURING THE MAY BUSINESS MEETING

## FOR RESERVATIONS CALL:



Gerry Aponte  
(732) 599-4806

Luke Sangiamo  
(908) 370-7525



The Adventurer Oceanfront Inn  
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### FREE PARKING

FREE OUT DOOR AND GARAGE PARKING AT THE HOTEL. (ONE CAR PER ROOM.)



### COMPLIMENTARY BREAKFAST

FREE BREAKFAST IN THE HOTEL RESTAURANT FOR EACH GUEST.



### MEALS PROVIDED

DINNER FRIDAY NIGHT  
LUNCH ON SATURDAY



### CONVENTION HOURS

5/19 10AM-1PM  
5/20 10AM-2PM



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**RISEN**

**Do you have old or unused cell phone or tablets?**

**Why not donate them to Cell Phones For Soldiers?**

Cell Phones For Soldiers is a national non-profit organization dedicated to providing cost-free communication services and emergency funding to active-duty military members and veterans.

Since 2004 more than 25 million cellphones were recycled and 400 million minutes of air time were given to servicemen and women deployed around the world.

## **The Union Knights of Columbus Council 4504**

a registered drop off site for

### **Cell Phones For Soldiers**

Located at 1034 Jeanette Ave, Union.

Open  
Weekdays: 6PM  
Weekends: 12PM

The collection box is located inside the Columbian Club Lounge.



Cell phone donations are tax deductible.



### A few words from our lecturer Raymond Gora about **Saint Joseph.**

Often certain biblical phrases don't get translated very well. Take for example the common translation of Matthew 13:55. The people of Nazareth question Jesus' divine power by asking, "Is he not the carpenter's son?" This is, of course, in reference to Joseph, who is traditionally known as a "carpenter." The translation has led to countless depictions of Joseph in Christian art as a man who labors in his wood shop, making chairs and tables all day.

#### **Greek meaning of "carpenter"**

However, the word used in this passage is not always as clear-cut and specific. The original Greek passage describes Joseph as a "tekton," which had various meanings in the ancient world. According to one scholar, "Etymologically, the Greek term tektōn can be traced

back to the Indo-European root tek- or teks- meaning to cut or fashion with an axe, but it also refers to weaving, building, fabricating and joining." Additionally, "passages from the Iliad and the Odyssey have shown that tektones work with all kinds of materials and tools."

#### **Highly skilled laborer**

These men were highly skilled laborers who were adept at doing all kinds of work. Another commentator explains how a "tekton, could be a simple carpenter, but it could also mean master craftsman, working in either wood or masonry. A tekton was the person each village depended on to set their foundations right, or to build a properly functioning door. In other words, Joseph and his son, Jesus, were the go-to guys when you wanted to build a house for a growing family."

One way to describe Joseph is that he may have been the "handyman" of the neighborhood who helped everyone with their projects, big or small. Another word to describe him would be "craftsman."

This interpretation sheds more light on the work of St. Joseph and his foster-son Jesus. It pictures the two going around the village and getting asked by everyone to come over and fix their house. This also may explain why everyone in Nazareth knew Jesus as the "carpenter's son." Joseph and Jesus would be a frequent sight throughout the town, helping everyone with their projects.

In the end, while it may be true that Joseph was a carpenter as we normally think, it is also very likely that he could have been the "handyman" who was as skilled with wood as he was with stone or any other material.

St Joseph Pray for us.

The Union Columbiettes Annual

# TRICKY TRAY



**May 4, 2023**

**DOORS OPEN @ 5:00pm**

**CALLING WILL BEGIN @ 7:00pm**

**Tickets \$25**

**Includes Coffee, Tea and cake**

**\* Cash Bar Available \***

For more info contact Diane Lupo @ 908.577.6606

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**2023**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 April Fools Day
2  PALM SUNDAY	3 Council Officers	4	5	6  HOLY THURSDAY	7  GOOD FRIDAY	8
9  EASTER SUNDAY	10 Council Mtgs. (8:10 PM)	11	12	13 Columbiettes (7:00 PM)	14	15
16 Divine Mercy Sunday	17	18	19	20	21	22 Earth Day
23	24	25	26 4th Degree Assembly	27 Columbian Club	28 Special Citizen's Drive	29 Special Citizen's Drive
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