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## Breakfast with Santa

When: December 17<sup>th</sup>

Where: Union, Knights of Columbus # 4504

Time: 9:30am till 12:00pm

\$15.00 for a family of (4) 2 adults & 2 children

\$5.00 each additional adult, \$3.00 each additional child

Come; bring the children for Breakfast with Santa.

Enjoy holiday songs and also have your Childs photo

taken with Santa, and many more activities.

Please, Reservations must be taken.

RSVP by December 14<sup>th</sup>

Call: Tony Quinones at:

Cell-908-265-3757 or

Home-908-686-4598

Menu includes: Eggs, Potatoes, Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage,  
Ham, Fruit Salad, Pastries, Juice and coffee.

Parents please bring Santa a present for your child.  
(15 Dollar Maximum)

## Adult New Year's Eve Party

Sunday Night December 31<sup>ST</sup>  
Knights of Columbus Hall

Antipasto, Hors d'oeuvres  
And Carving Station

9 P.M. TIL Midnight

OPEN BAR 9 P.M. TIL 1 A.M.  
Dancing with DJ Eddie Gwiz  
Party Hats and Noise Makers  
Champagne Toast at Midnight  
Tickets \$60/Couple

Reservations by 12/26 Contact:  
Kevin Connors 908-347-8655  
Buddy Cotter 908-447-3378  
Andy Schopfer 908-265-7895

Super 50/50 ~ 100 Tickets \$10 Each  
Winner Guaranteed \$500  
Drawing at 11 P.M.



## Christmas Bus Tour Is Filling Up

The Council is running a bus tour to New York City on December 28<sup>th</sup>. The bus will depart from our Council Home at 7:00 P.M. and tour sights such as St. Patrick's Cathedral, Rockefeller Center (See the Christmas Tree and Ice Skaters) and other great sights.

Light refreshments will be served upon arrival back at the Council.

The cost for this fun, family event will be \$15.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children 12 years of age and under.

Please note that we are currently working on our "2<sup>nd</sup>" bus. Reservations and payments need to be completed by December 15<sup>th</sup>.



## Calendar of Up-Coming Events

### DECEMBER

- 2 SAT..... BLOOD DRIVE AT COUNCIL HALL..11 A.M.-4 P.M.
- 4 MON.....COUNCIL OFFICERS MEETING @8 P.M.
- 10 SUN.....SISTER ANN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
- 11 MON.....COUNCIL CHRISTMAS DINNER MEETING @6:30 P.M.
- 15 FRI.....ANNUAL BRING~A~DISH @ 7 P.M.
- 17 SUN.....CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY  
(BREAKFAST WITH SANTA)
- 25 MON.....CHRISTMAS DAY
- 28 THUR.....CHRISTMAS BUS TOUR TO NYC @7:00 P.M.
- 31 SUN.....NEW YEARS EVE PARTY 9 P.M. TIL 1 A.M.

### JANUARY

- 2 TUE.....COUNCIL OFFICERS MEETING @8 P.M.
- 8 MON.....COUNCIL MEETING @8 P.M.
- 21 SUN.....BREAKFAST AT COUNCIL HALL 9 A.M.-11 A.M.
- 22 MON.....COUNCIL MEETING AND 1<sup>ST</sup> DEGREE @8 P.M.
- 26 FRI.....PASTA NIGHT FOR OUR PARISH PRIESTS @ 7 P.M.
- 27 SAT.....COUNCIL DOUBLE BINGO @BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

### FEBRUARY

- 4 SUNDAY.....SUPER BOWL SUNDAY
- 5 MON.....COUNCIL OFFICERS MEETING @ 8 P.M.
- 10 SAT.....SISTER ANN'S VALENTINE DINNER/DANCE
- 12 MON.....COUNCIL MEETNG @ 8 P.M.
- 21 WED.....ASH WEDNESDAY
- 24 SAT.....TRICKY TRAY
- 26 MON.....COUNCIL MEETING @ 8 P.M.

## Knight Digest

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or via email to: [tomdudek@att.net](mailto: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.

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### Monthly Meetings

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

## MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT



I hope that everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving with family and friends. We now find ourselves moving rapidly towards Christmas. I am sure most of us find ourselves “caught up” in the hustle and bustle of finding that perfect gift or that impossible-to-find toy that a child absolutely must have.

As we are bombarded by the media, telling us what we must have while they attempt to re-name Christmas and explain it as “political correctness”, lets remember to keep Christ in Christmas. He is the reason for the season.

I would like to pass something on to everyone that I recently read:

*Strange is our situation here on earth, each of us comes for a short visit, not knowing why, yet sometimes seeming to divine a purpose. From the standpoint of daily life, however, there is one thing we know:*

*That Man is here for the sake of other Men. Above all for those upon whose smile and well-being our own happiness depends, and also for the countless unknown souls with whose fate we are connected by a bond of sympathy. Many times a day I realize how much my own outer and inner life is built upon the labors of my fellow men, both living and dead, and how much earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received. ~Albert Einstein*

Brother to Brother, family to family, we celebrate as Knights the birth of our Savior, the Son of God, and that in our faith we may have life in His name.

How can we make the spirit of Christmas last for more than just one day?

I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas.

**Thank You and May God Bless You,**

**Buddy Cotter, Grand Knight**

### *Pasta Night In Support Of Our Parish Priests*

Our pasta night has been re-scheduled for Friday night **January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007**. The event will take place in the council hall at 7 p.m. the menu will include pasta, meatballs, sausage, salad, beer, wine, soda, coffee and dessert. The cost for this “delicious” night out will be \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. For reservations please contact Tom Conte @ 908-334-8672.

**Double Bingo Scheduled** - The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a double bingo on **Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm at the Boys and Girls club. Volunteers are needed to help on the floor, in the kitchen, and to call numbers. Please contact Tony Quinones @ 908-265-3757 or Buddy Cotter @ 908-447-3378

## *Yankee Road Trip to Toronto*



Looking for that perfect Christmas gift for your family? How about traveling north to see the Yankees play the Toronto Blue Jays.

We will be making our second pilgrimage to Canada from Saturday August 4th thru Tuesday August 7th. In addition to seeing the Yankees play you will be able to go to Niagara Falls and see the sites or try your luck at the casinos.

The cost is approximately \$950 for 2 people, \$1,200 for three and \$1,400 for 4 people in a room. We will stay at the hotel attached to the stadium and enjoy a prime rib buffet the day of the game. In addition we will enjoy a luxurious motor coach ride to Toronto with refreshments. Toronto has great restaurants, the Hockey Hall of Fame and a great theater district. We will look into seeing a show. On our last trip we saw Mama Mia.

There are limited seats available, please contact Steve Helmstetter @ 909-688-5039 to reserve your seat.



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### *Annual "Bring-A-Dish"*

Friday night **December 15<sup>th</sup>** will be our annual "Bring-A-Dish" in our Lounge. All members are encouraged to bring a dish of something appetizing (wings, cheese and crackers or anything you and others will enjoy) and spend a relaxing evening with your fellow Knights. The evening begins at 7 P.M.

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**Charitable Fund Raffle** - Next drawing to be held on **December 11th, 2006** at 9:00 PM at the council meeting.

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### *3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off*

Our 3rd annual chili cook off will be held on **Saturday, January 28, 2007** at 1 PM Sharp. All interested chili cooks should sign up at the bar during January (please, before the 1pm start time). Think you make a good chili? Our judges will decide that. All who have participated in the past as cooks, judges or chili eaters have had a great time and maybe a little indigestion. Bring your own Beano! Any questions, see Tom Walsh or call 908-686-4064 for more information.

## *Knight of the Month*

### *Rob Salvatore*



For the past several years, if Union Council 4504 has run an event, the chances are good that, Rob Salvatore, had already advised the local media outlets of the time and date several weeks in advance. Serving as the Council's publicity manager is just one of the ways that Rob has helped out at the Council, where this year he is serving as the inside guard.

Over the past several months, Rob has also taken an active role in the set up and delivery of many Council events, including both breakfasts for our churches, the children's Halloween party and the art auction. He is also a member of the bowling league, and is relied on by his fellow officers to help out whenever needed.

Rob has been married to his wife Denise for the past six years. He has three children, Jessica age 15, Robbie, age 3 and Eva Ann who is 18 months old. The family are parishioners at Holy Spirit Church in Union. Rob has been employed by Diversified Systems in Kenilworth for the past six and a half years doing audio/visual work.

For all of the efforts he has been providing to the Council over the past several years, we are proud to honor Rob as the Knight of the Month for December.

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### *Tricky Tray*

Our annual Tricky tray is scheduled for **Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007**. Letters were sent out to our members and to local merchants asking for donations.

We hope each member can contribute something towards our Tricky Tray. Donations can be made in many different ways. For example, gift certificates for stores, restaurants or places of fun and interest. We can also utilize miscellaneous items for raffling. Last year, many families donated a "themed basket" which was a big success. Of course, monetary donations are always helpful. However, any and all donations would be accepted and very much appreciated.

Should you need any further information or have any questions regarding donations, please contact Diane Lupo 908-352-2190 or Chris Burlew 908-403-1590. Please note that we are also collecting unscratched NJ Lottery tickets at Council meetings to make a "lottery" basket from all council members.

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