

# Knights Digest



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**Don't go to the hassle of throwing  
a bash for your football buddies!  
Make it easy on yourself  
and come to the...**

## **Super Bowl Party**

**Sunday, January 26, 2003**

**TIME: 5:00pm till ???**

**COST: \$18 per adult, \$9 per child**

What has nearly become a national holiday is quickly becoming the most popular event at our council! Bring your kids! Bring your family! Bring your friends!

### **First Half Menu**

Hot and Cold Hor D'ouvres

### **Second Half Menu**

Hot and Cold Buffet

This all-you-can-eat event includes beer, wine and soda.

Children will have a separate room with movies and fun and the afternoon will include special half time prizes.

Purchase tickets before Jan. 20. ❖ No tickets will be sold at the door.

Call Joe DeMarco 908-964-1870 for tickets.

Please help make this event a success.

Your council needs and appreciates your support.

## **Annual Double Bingo**

**at the Boys & Girls Club**

**Saturday, January 18, 2003, 7pm**

**& Saturday, March 29, 2003, 7pm**

This year we will be holding two Double Bingos. Both will be held at the Boys & Girls Club on Jeanette Avenue. Proceeds from these bingos will go toward charitable funds, including our scholarship fund. Your support for this event will be greatly appreciated. If you are interested in helping out please contact our Grand Knight, Mike Cavallo, at 908-686-7540.

**The Good News...**The good news is that at our recent blood drive, as a community, we donated 78 pints of blood. The good news is that we contributed more than 9,000 pounds of food during our recent food drive. If any chairman or individual has any good news to share, please send it in to the Digest editor. See the rules for submission on page two of the Digest.

## **IN 2003 LOOK FOR THESE EVENTS IN JANUARY**

### **First Friday Mass**

**Friday, January 3, 2003, 7:30pm**

On the first Friday of every month, the Knights of Columbus Union Council 4504 celebrate Mass together at the council hall. Afterwards, refreshments are served. Bring your family and join us for a refreshing way to begin your month at First Friday.

### **New Knights' Social**

**Friday, January 10, 2003, 7pm to 9pm**

All new members and their spouses are encouraged to attend this informative event. Along with getting a better understanding of all the meaningful work that Knights of Columbus do in the Township of Union and the greater area, this social event will offer you a forum to ask officers, chairmen and members-at-large questions about your council. Get acquainted with your council today, so that you may become an involved member tomorrow. Light hor d'ouvres, beer, wine and soda will be served. Call Joe DeMarco at 908-964-1870 for more information or contact him at [joe@njdemarco.com](mailto:joe@njdemarco.com).

### **Knights' Family Sunday**

**at St. Michael's R.C. Church**

**Sunday, January 19, 2003, 9am**

This is a lot like First Friday Mass, except it is held on the third Sunday of each month and Mass is celebrated at alternating churches between St. Michael's and Holy Spirit. Also, bagels, coffee and danish are served at the council hall after Mass. A guaranteed great morning for wives, children, and all involved.

### **Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest**

**at the Boys & Girls Club**

**Sunday, January 19, 2003, 2pm**

All boys and girls, ages 10 to 14, are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2003 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championships. The event will take place at the Boys & Girls Club on Jeanette Avenue at 2:00pm. Applications can be picked up at the council. All applications should be returned to the council by Wednesday, January 15, in an envelope labeled Youth Free Throw Contest. All applicants will receive a participation certificate and awards will be given to the top winners in each category. Top winners in each category will then go on to the district finals where they will compete to attend the state finals. For more information you may contact Larry Killmer our program director at 908-389-1341.

## KNIGHT DIGEST

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<i>Swim Club President</i>	James Feehan

## 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 Wed.	Council Committees
4th Thu.	Columbian Club

## GRAND KNIGHT'S COLUMN



I hope that everyone had a blessed Christmas season and that the Prince of Peace will truly remain in each of our hearts as we begin this New Year. May we, as Knights of Columbus, begin this New Year in prayer that this year begins global peace and justice for all mankind; that our world leaders seek God's help and counsel in developing a world where peace is based on justice for all God's people.

To my fellow brother knights, while most others are making unrealistic and empty New Year's resolutions, I ask that you simply make a promise in the privacy of your own hearts to do one more act of charity than you have done in the previous year. If each of us makes this promise, we will surely have a very rewarding year that will touch the lives of many special people.

The end of last year our state saw the loss of our State Deputy William Kennedy who lost his battle with cancer and was called home to our Lord on December 1<sup>st</sup>. Bill's love for the Knights of Columbus was never ending and it was very apparent at the New Grand Knights meeting back in June when I first met him. He was so energetic and had so many plans for our State Council. I was also privileged to accompany him at the National Convention this past August where I witnessed first hand again, that love that Bill had for the Knights. I ask each of you to pray for Bill that he is at peace with our Lord in heaven and I am sure that he will be praying for us that we will continue to do the good works of the Knights of Columbus.

My sincere thanks and appreciations go out to all my brother knights who have in any way given of themselves to help support the principles of Columbianism. I would especially like to thank Mike Peter, Steve Ruhl and Larry Killmer for helping with the setup of the nativity at town hall. Also, I would like to recognize the generosity of the Columbian Club in support of some of the council's past events; it is truly appreciated. I would like to extend my gratitude to Joe DeMarco, Tom Hornig, Andy Popp, Tom Conte and Larry Killmer for helping out with the Camp Fatima Christmas Party. And, for doing a fine job with the Children's Christmas Party, Kris Pogozelski must be applauded. I look forward to working with each of you over the next six months.

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Vivat Jesus!

Michael Cavallo  
Grand Knight

## SWIM CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, January 17, 2003

All swim club members in good standing are encouraged to attend this annual meeting. At the meeting, there will be elections for four positions on the board of directors. Any swim club member interested in being nominated for one of the open positions should contact a member of the nominating committee: Tom Conte at 908-687-4898, Steve Ruhl at 908-964-8095, or Gene Sully 908-688-5034, as soon as possible.

**MORE GOOD NEWS..**In 1999, approximately 60 percent of all seminarians received some form of financial support from the Knights of Columbus.

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**



January's Knight of the Month is a former member of South Orange Council 1831, as well as Our Lady of Sorrows Church. He transferred to Union Council 4504 five years ago and has become a communicant of Holy Spirit Church. He is employed by the Township of Union's Department of Public Works in the Road Department. In his free time he enjoys bowling, umpiring baseball, basketball & football, and spending quality time with his family.

A family man all the way, he has been happily married to his lovely wife Joyce for the past five years. They have two wonderful daughters, Dolores and Theresa. He is also a proud grandparent of three adorable step grandchildren: R.J, Mario, and Juliana.

Within the five years he has been a member of Union Council 4504, he has made his presence felt behind the bar and helped usher in a spirit of participation. Leading by example, he can be seen as a volunteer or participant at many council events. He is currently serving as an Outside Guard and Union Council is proud to name Michael Peter as the Knight of the Month for January.

**FROM THE COLUMBIAN CLUB**

Brother Knights,

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and a fantastic New Year's Eve. I know I did.

As we look forward into 2003, the Columbian Club plans to make this the best year of all time for the council. Some of the many ideas we have been kicking around are presenting a new show with talented jazz vocalist Ray Gelato — *the king of swing jazz*; bringing back The Happenings, for your listening pleasure, a doo-wop group that performs all the oldies (but goodies); and, do I dare say it, hosting Tony Soprano and his family for a dinner and hilarious show.

Whatever we plan this year, we look forward to getting a lot of support from the membership. I would love to see some new faces here at the club. These events are always a great opportunity to meet new people and it's always affordable.

Before you know it, spring will be here. It's the time for fresh air, new flowers, and work parties. Come out and *help your club*. Don't let the same people work every year. It ends up being as much a social occasion as a work party. We serve coffee, donuts, and orange juice at break time, and pool passes are handed out at the end of the day. Lunch is served as well. Come out and give us a little elbow grease, so we can give each other a better club. In the past, work parties have been held every Saturday morning starting at 9am and Wednesday evenings beginning at 5pm. Work parties begin in March, so please plan ahead and try to attend.

In closing, thanks again to all who have supported the club day-in, and day-out. Whether you join us for Sunday afternoon football or one of our social events, I want you to know how much everyone on the Columbian Club board of directors appreciates your involvement.

To all, I wish you a safe and happy New Year.

James Zappulla  
Columbian Club President

**JOT THIS DOWN IN YOUR CALENDAR!**

For more information on these and other events call Program Director Larry Killmer. His phone number can be found in the list of officers on the opposite page.

**Valentine's Dinner Dance**  
Saturday, February 8, 2003

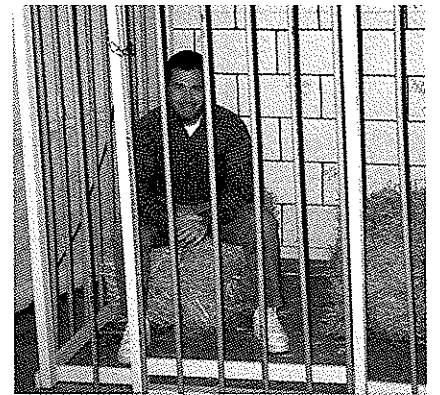
**Family Night**  
Friday, February 21, 2003

**Irish Dinner Dance**  
Saturday, March 8, 2003


**Lenten Fish Fry**  
Friday, March 28, 2003

Cooking will be done by the Famous "Thistles" of Kearny. Tickets will be limited and will go on sale mid-February.

**STILL MORE GOOD NEWS...** Grand Knight Cavallo was released from jail during the recent Western Night Dance (in jail below), the bad news is that he was imprisoned three times for such onerous things as "drinking with your right hand." The bailbonds fund raiser added to the success of the evening.

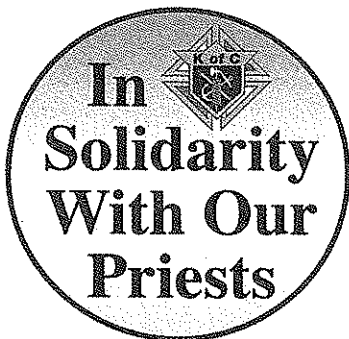


If you would like to submit a photo from a recent council event (*Hank! Are you out there?*), please see the rules for submission on the opposite page.

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