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 July 21st Pig Roast
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 August 11th Horseshoe Tournament
 August 25th Bocce Ball Tournament

Shield Awards to be Presented on June 13th

On Wednesday evening, June 13, Union Council 4504 will be holding its annual Shield Award presentations. Representatives from the Union Police, Fire, EMT, and Senior Citizens have been asked to submit their nominees and will be on hand to present the plaques to their honorees. The evening will begin at 7:00 and light refreshments will be served. In addition to being honored by our Council, we will also be submitting the names of this year's recipients to the State Council for consideration of a statewide recognition for the upcoming Columbian year.

After we have presented the Shield awards, we will then be presenting plaques to our Knights of the Month for the Columbian year 2012-2012. Additional presentations will be made to those individuals to be named as Knight of the Year and the Columbian of the Year.

Please make room on your calendars for what is always a highly anticipated evening recognizing the contributions of so many of our Brother Knights throughout the year. The festivities begin at 7:00 pm, and light snacks will be served.

If anyone has any questions regarding this event, please contact Grand Knight Andy Schopfer at (908) 265- 7895.



Upcoming Summer Events



- **Bus Ride to Sand Casino, Bethlehem, PA** on June 16th. Contact Mike Scanlon at 908-578-8768 or Blgiants@aol.com
- **Annual Monmouth Park Race Track Trip** on July 17th. Contact Jamie Zappulla at 908-380-9155 or Joe Pesany at 732-233-6601.
- **Annual Fluke Fishing Trip** on July 19th. Contact Bob Calderone at 908-337-2504.
- **Annual Pig Roast on July 21st.** Contact Tony Quinones at 908-265-3757.
- **Annual Horseshoe Tournament** on August 11th. Contact Mike Scanlon at 908-578-8768 or Blgiants@aol.com
- **Annual Bocce Ball Tournament** on August 25th. Contact Mike Scanlon at 908-578-8768 or Blgiants@aol.com

For more information contact the Event Chairman or Entertainment Director, Mike Scanlon

Columbian Club Presents - Casino Day

Saturday, June 16, 2012

Sands Casino, Bethlehem, PA

\$30.00 per person

Includes: Luxury Bus Transportation, Beer & Water on Bus, \$20 Free Slot Play, \$5 Meal Voucher, Pizza back at the Knights of Columbus lounge.
 Bus Departs at 11:00 AM SHARP from the Union
 Knights of Columbus

LIMITED SEATING—RESERVATIONS BY JUNE 10TH

Contact Mike Scanlon at 908-578-8768 or Blgiants@aol.com

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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.....Michael W. Gasser, PGK
Grand Knight..... Andy Schopfer, PGK
Deputy Grand Knight..... Alex Costa
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Warden.....Steve Nagy
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Advocate Stephen F. Hehl
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2nd Yr. Trustee..... Rob Salvatore, PGK
1st Yr. Trustee.....Mike Peter, PGK
4th Degree Faithful Navigator.Allen Pascullo
Columbian Club President.....Mike Panella
Swim Club President.....Allen Pascullo
Columbiette President.....Gina Zangari

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 and Friends of Union Council 4504

Amazingly, we are about to start another summer season, and this is my final column as the Grand Knight of our Council. (Of course I did start a similar column only a few years ago, so I should know better than to say that this is my last article, but that is another story).

I have somewhat mixed emotions as I have tried to gather my thoughts for this last time. It has been my privilege to have served this Council over the past year, and I have been extremely grateful for all of the support and assistance that so many of you have provided to me. I had never expected to find myself in this role again, but I believe in this Council, and all that it has to offer. Indeed, that was the sole reason I had agreed to take on the role again.

I am very pleased that we were finally able to identify a chaplain for the Council, and am looking forward to having a long and productive relationship with Father Nol. We were able to complete a successful food drive in the fall, and a productive RCD drive this spring. We also continued to demonstrate our strong sense of charity, especially in the Christmas season, and have continued to honor and recognize those men and women from our Council who have served our great country in the Armed Services.

At the same time, I know that all is not a bed of roses. Each of our organizations is facing some very serious challenges, financial and operational. It will require strong leadership and strong moral character for us to face those challenges, devise solutions, and continue to grow our Council in a manner consistent with our principles of charity, unity, and fraternity.

As importantly, it will take greater contributions from you, our membership. At this time, the slates of both the Council and the Columbian Club have open slots for officers. In addition, those currently serving as officers have more to do than ever, and can use any available assistance. If you can spare an hour or two a month, please reach out to us. Even that small amount of time can make a world of difference. We need you more than ever!

Congratulations to Alex Costa, who was recently elected to succeed me as Grand Knight. I have worked closely with Alex over the past several months and have the utmost confidence that he will serve you well.

Vivat Jesus!
Andy Schopfer
Grand Knight 2011-2012



NJ Knights of Columbus Motorcycle Ministry

The NJ Knights of Columbus Motorcycle Ministry will be holding their meeting at Union Council # 4504 on June 18th at 7pm. Anyone interested in joining the Motorcycle Ministry can get there early or wait at the Tiki Bar for us to finish. We will have information and applications at the ready.

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The NJ KofC Motorcycle Ministry invites all Brother Knights and their families to come out on July 27th to join us for a night out as the Somerset Patriots sponsor Faith Night at TD Bank Ball Park. Trip which includes seats right behind the Patriots dugout in Section 113! For the low price of \$13.50. If we sell more than 30 tickets, the price will fall to \$12.50!! Come out and join us for a night of friends, fun and fellowship. Please send ticket inquiries to info@njkofcmm.com. Leave your name, telephone number, email address and the number of tickets requested. All ticket requests must be paid for by June 22, 2012. If not paid by the 22nd you will not be able to attend. NO EXCEPTIONS!!! A reply email will be sent to you starting on May 21st letting you know where to send the check. Details will be sent out by our Road Captain on the times and where we will meet! Please don't miss out on the fun!!! See you at the game!! More information can be found on the "MEETINGS and EVENTS" page of the website. This is open to ALL members, families and extended families, not just Ministry Members!!! www.njkofcmm.com

Runnells Hospital

The next chance to volunteer at Runnells Hospital is Sunday, **June 17th** from 9 AM to 11 AM. Your assistance is needed to bring patients to the chapel to attend Sunday Mass. Contact Nick Belmonte at 908-447-1869.

Knights' Family Dinners

The next dinner is scheduled for

Thursday, June 21, 2012

6:30 - 8:30 PM

Family of 4 \$25.00

Adults \$8.00

Children and Seniors \$6.00

Cash Bar Available

50/50s



Knights of the Month

June 2012

Paul Marzocca



What can be said about this month's Knight of the Month? Polymath? Renaissance man? Brother Knight? Actually you can use all to describe June's Knight of the Month Brother Paul Marzocca.

Paul was born in Union in back November of '58, he graduated from Union High School, went onto Stockton College for his undergraduate degree and got his MBA from Seton Hall.

He has been involved in the Knights since his college days. Albeit he has been exposed to the Knights for a good part of his life as his father Gerard (aka Jerry aka Dean) has been a brother Knight since the 60s.

Paul has two children. Anthony is 24 and a graduate from Duke University. Anthony has been seen helping at the work parties with his father. He also has a daughter Charlotte. Charlotte is 22 years old and will be graduating from Montclair State College this coming year. Paul has also been fortunate enough to share the last decade of his life with Kally (a 20 year veteran of the US Army).

You have heard the phrase "a man's man" well Brother Paul is "A Knight's Knight". For many years Paul has been a regular at the Saturday work parties and is involved with the swim club. He gets his family involved which is evident by the regular presence of Kally and Anthony; for without people like this we would be hard pressed to get the pool ready year after year. This past winter Paul rebuilt the three swim club signs that hang on the front of the building. They were rotting and decaying and Paul showed us one of his many talents in rebuilding them. He and Kally are regulars at the Thursday night family dinners, they both help greatly with the Columbiettes Tricky Tray each year and Paul shows another of his talents by taking numerous pictures of our events, many of which can be seen on our website.

Anyone wishing to be on the mailing list for the monthly dinners, please send your email address and name to Judy Amorosa at Judi421@aol.com We hope to be able to send out an e-vite with each month's menu. Please sign up if you are interested. Thanks!!!

Artisan, Artist, strong back and strong heart, brothers, please, help me say thank you and congratulations to Union Council's Knight of the Month for June 2012 Brother Paul Marzocca.



Columbian Club Announces Summer DJ Schedule

Every Sunday Beginning May 28th, 2012

3:00 PM to 7:00 PM



Cuzzin Brucie	Eddie G-Whiz	Jersey Jim	Papa Joe
May 28th	June 24th	July 1st	July 8th
July 15th	July 22nd	July 29th	August 5th
August 19th	August 26th	September 2nd	August 12th

Should I Own Long Term Care Coverage?

About 200,000 people were paid \$6.6 billion in long-term care insurance benefits in 2011, with Alzheimer's disease the top reason for policies to pay out, a new report suggests.

Slightly more than 8 million Americans had long-term care insurance protection by Dec. 31, 2011, according to the American Association for Long-Term Care Insurance report.

The analysis found that 10.4% of new individual claims initiated during 2011 began before the claimant was age 70. "While most long-term care insurance claims begin at older ages, typically in ones late 70s or 80s, accidents and illnesses are also a common reason younger people need this care for extended periods," said Jesse Slome, executive director of the trade group. Alzheimer's disease, stroke, arthritis, circulatory issues or injury are the top five reasons for policies to go into effect, according to the report.

The largest open long-term care insurance claim reached \$1.7 million in paid benefits. The claimant, a woman, purchased coverage at age 43, paying an annual premium of \$881. Three years later her long-term care insurance claim began paying and has continued for almost 15 years. The second largest claim still open is for a male who purchased his long-term care insurance policy paying an annual premium of \$3,374. Three years later his claim began and has continued for more than six years. Officials say \$1.2 million in benefits has already been paid for his care.

"Long-term care insurance is not the lottery," Slome said in a statement. "A policyholder who paid \$3,000 in premiums and received benefits exceeding \$1.5 million is not a winner. But having this protection in place can certainly pay off and for thousands of Americans it increasingly is."

Special Citizen's Drive

Thank you for those either participated in making contributions or donations for this great Charity that we as Knights support every year. All proceeds that are brought in go out out to Charities with people that have Intellectual Disabilities. To date we have collected close to \$2700.00 on one weekend in April at 2 stores and at Holy Spirit Church along with Saint Michael's Church after masses on Sunday. We also had the support of Union Little League and Union Suffergettes. We will have a much greater amount to distribute after Memorial Day weekend where we will be having our quarterly raffle on Monday the 28th of May at 6pm, and all those proceeds we be added to this amount. Hopefully we could have a few good men come out next year on this weekend in April and support this life long event that the Knights of Columbus has been doing for the last so many years.

Thank-you
Mike Peter, PGK, SCD Chairman

Election Results 2012-2013

Congratulations to the Knights of Columbus officers elected for the 2012-2013 Columbian year.

3 Year Trustee - Andy Schopfer PGK

Grand Knight - Alex Costa

Deputy Grand Knight - Steve Nagy

Chancellor - Vacant

Warden - Vacant

Recorder - Greg Henn

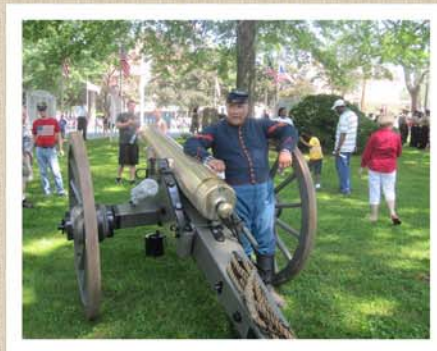
Advocate - Steven Heil

Treasurer - Frank Santangelo

Inside Guard - Giftus John

Outside Guard - Michael Willemse

Memorial Day Weekend Activities



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