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#### PAST GRAND KNIGHTS' DINNER

SEPTEMBER 29, 2001 HONORING

#### CLARENCE CUNNINGHAM, PGK 7:00PM - 12:00PM

Prime Rib, Vegetables, Potato, Salad, Desert, DJ & Dancing Open Bar

Price: \$45.00 Per Couple/\$23.00/Ea. All Ticket Sales In Advance By 9/22/01 Contact:

Tom Conte - 908 687 4898 John Perina - 908 354 6659 Andy Popp - 908 688 6951 Mike Scanlon - 908 578 8768

# Charitable Raffle



Our next quarterly charitable raffle drawing will be held at our council picnic on September 8th. On behalf of our many worthy charities who benifit from your generosity, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation for your continued support. If you need additional tickets you can contact me at 908 964 4361 *Thank you* 

1 nank you John Murphy

# ADULT HALLOWEEN



Saturday, 10/27/01
7:00PM to 12:00AM
DJ, OPEN BAR, FOOD, SNACKS
PRIZES AWARDED
(costumes optional)
\$38.00 per couple
RESERVE EARLY!
For more info contact,
Buster Rapke 908 964 5342
Bobby DeMichael 908 241 6145

Kenny Spellman 908 964 5342



Come and experience the Halloween Maze Of Horrors. Visit The Field Of Screams, & The Haunted Graveyard. These are just a few of the encounters you will be subjected to on your visit to the Maze. Be part of the crazed and horrific adventure that will take place at out council picnic grove. Visit The Unnecessary Surgrery' Room and The Torture Chamber, if you dare. Don't just go it alone. Make sure you bring someone. Comming on October 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, 30, and 31. Tickets on sale now. Adults: \$8.00. Children under 12, \$5.00. Contact Larry Killmer, 908 389 1341 or Mike Cavallo, 908 686 7540.



# Family Campout

We will be holding a family camp out on Friday, September 28th. The cost will be \$5 per person and includes hamburgers and hotdogs on Friday evening followed by a continental breakfast on Saturday morning. All that you need to bring is a tent, sleeping bags, and a toothbrush (unless you have bad breath). This is a unique opportunity to enjoy some quality time with your family and your Brother Knights. Please contact Steve Helmstetter at 688 5039 by September 20th to reserve your personal campsite.



# COUNCIL EVENTS

Monday, September 3
DJ on the Patio
Saturday, September 8
Council Family Picnic
Sunday, September 9
Rain Date For Picnic
Saturday, September 22
Yankee Tip to Camden Yards
SOLD OUT!

Friday, September 28
Parent/Children
Overnight Campout

Saturday, September 29 PGK Dinner

Saturday, October 6th Council Golf Outing Saturday, October 13

Rose Sale at St. Micheals Sunday, October 14

Rose Sale/Membership Drive at St. Micheals

Saturday, October 20 Rose Sale at Holy Spirit Sunday, October 21

Rose Sale/Membership Drive at Holy Spirit Saturday, October 27

Adult Holloween Party Sunday, October 28

Children Holloween Party



#### CHARITY GOLF OUTING



SATURDAY OCTOBER 13, 2001

MATTAWANG GOLF CLUB

BELLE MEAD, NJ

\$85.00 PER GOLFER

Includes green fee, cart, lunch and refreshments and awards banquet.

CONTACT MICHAEL BEVAN 908-964-5048

All procedes will go to the Retarded Citizen's Drive.

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#### MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon.

Council Officers

2nd & 4th Mon. Council 3rd Mon.

Swim Club

1st Wed.

4th Degree Officers

2nd Thur.

4th Degree Corps

3rd Wed. 4th Wed.

Assembly Council Committees

4th Thur.

Columbian Club

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#### GRAND KNIGHTS COLUMN



1969 was a great year. I met the completion of the 11th grade with ambivilent emotions. I finally saw the light at the end of the tunnel. Only one more year of "reading"

"writing", and "rithmatic". Then it is off to become a carpenter and start my own construction buisness. Little did I know that mom had four more years of Chatholic education in store for me. Thankfully, my entrepreneurial plans did not receive mom's blessings. "Mom always knows best".

During the latter part of the sixties when adolecent rebellion was vogue, and when men and women were expressing themselves freely, somtimes too freely, I spent most of my free time at St. Anthony's CYO in Elizabeth. Most of us thought that "hanging out" together was cool. We all dressed allike. We all partied together. We all listened to the same music. We all talked alike. And, unknown to us at the time, but most important, we all were forming life long bonds. Friendship, trust, respect, understanding and support of each other were most important. We became "one" during the 4 years of my CYO paricipation and I became part of a cherished group of people that has withstood the 70's, 80's 90's and with determination, (and sometimes sacrafice) is thriving today. The common bond that held our friendship together for the last 30 plus years was...UNITY. Does it sound familiar brothers? Or is it somthing that some of us still need to learn. Does unity mean only supporting your friends? Does unity mean only participating if we do it your way? Does unity mean resigning because of differences? If your answer is "yes" to any of the above questions, I suggest that you immediately attend the next 2nd degree in this area.

Fraternaly yours Tony Ferraro Jr.

#### KNIGHT OF THE MONTH



The Knight of the month for September, 2001 is Helmstetter. Steve and his wife Joanne are residents of Union and are the parents of 2 sons, Jonathan and Nicholas. Steve and

family are parishoners of St. Michael's Parish. Steve is employed as a Special Federal Agent for the United States Treasury Department. He has been a member of Council 4504 for many years. Steve is currently serving as our Youth Activites Director and is doing a fine job at it. Steve has also organized several bus rides to various baseball games, including the recent trip to the Newark Bears Stadium and the upcoming trip to Baltimore. His community activites are not limited to the Knights of Columbus. Steve also coaches soccer, is a past president of the Larchmont Civic Association, enjoys playing Racquetball on his spare time and loves to watch the New York Yankees. Union Council 4504 is proud to name Steve Helmstetter as our August 2001 Knight of the Month.

Congragulations Steve!

## Prayer Service

A prayer service will be given to a member or a member's wife who has passed on by the Wake Committee. This service will be held at the funeral home where I the individual is being waked and all prayer services will start promptly at 7:30 PM. If you would like to be on the Wake Committee's call list, please call me at 908 | 964 5258. If you are already on the list and NOT being called, PLEASE let me know!

Rich Santangelo Sr. Wake Committee Chairman

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

**NOVEMBER 25, 2001** AT UNION CONCIL "Give The Gift Of Life"

#### COLUMBIAN SWIM TEAM

On Tuesday, July 31st, we concluded our 2001 season with a pizza party in the picnic area for all swimmers. The team was again undefeated for the 3rd year in a row. I would like to thank all the parents who helped out at the meets. Joh McEnvoy, Cindy Musso, Mike Cavallo, Joe Demarco, Ingrid Migliorini, Lisa Czwiakalla, Brenda Conneely, Susan Lapilisa. A special thanks to you Diane Lupo for your help and generosity. I mostly want to thank my wife, Donna, for all of her time and help during the season. Without the help of the parents and dedication of the coaches, Kelly and Danny, we could not have a swim team. I look foward to working with all of you again next summer.

Steven Ruhl

#### First Friday Mass

First Friday Mass will resume a regular schedule begining September 7, 2001. As always the masses will be held at our council hall and will begin promptly at 7:00PM.

#### Retreat

On November 25, 2001 there will be a retreat ar St. Josephs Shrine. Contact Tony Addotta at 908 464 9126 for information and reservations. The cost will be \$25 per person and is only for men 18 and older.

## Roses for Life

Have you ever thought about what you can do to proclaim the Gospel of Life? Our anual Rose Sale will be taking place this October at St. Michael's and Holy Spirit in Union. The money will go to organizations that help women in crisis and that help families of the terminally ill. If you can donate 15 minutes before or after mass, please contact Jim Sondey at 908 688 1889. Thank you.

#### MEMBERSHIP CORNER

There will be a first degree on Monday September 10th. If anyone is interested in sponcering a member please contact Rich Fuentes at 908 437 0310.

#### **Insurance Report**

Straight Answers to Tough Questions From Your Knights of Columbus Insurance Agents...

The future will take care of itself, but who will be taking care of you? Of Americans over 65, an estimated 60% are expected to need some form of long term care in their lifetime. Help guard what you spent a lifetime building and ease the burden of your family with long term care insurance protection from the Knights of Columbus. For straight answers to tough questions for your long term care insurance, think the KNIGHTS. Contact long term care insurance representitive Rich Fuentes at 908 437 0310 or Joe Benitato at 732 287 2214.

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

I just wanted to say thank you to all the brothers who handed in their articles for the August and September Digest in a timely manner. Remember, all articles are due to me by the 15th of every month and will not be accepted afterwards. I also hope you are all enjoying the new look of the Digest. If you have any questions or concerns please let me know. I look foward to working with all of you to make this publication a success.

Rich Santangelo Jr. EDITOR

#### **Annual Communion Breakfast**

On Sunday, November 18 Council 4504 will be having its annual Communion Breakfast. The cost will be \$15 per couple and \$8 per adult. It will be buffet style and there will be a variety of tasty items to eat. The breakfast will start at 10:00AM following mass at St. Micheal's parish. More details will follow. For more information or to reserve a ticket call Rich Santangelo Sr. at 908 964 5258, Rich Santangelo Jr. at 908 686 6889 or Marty Natale at 908 851 0692.

### One Knight's Opinion

Many people reflect back on the significant events of their lives. I do it all the time, and I am sure you do it also. On one such event that I'll admit to being quite comprehensive about at first, but was fortunate that my brother convinced me otherise. This was that our Council had a great deal to offer, if I would only give it a try. I am glad I took his advise. Beyond "ammenities" we as Knights have an opportunity to reap the benifits of personal and spiritual reward though acts of charity and participation in our Council's efforts. I encourage you to participate at whatever level of your personal schedule allows for. Council 4504 has accomplished great things and has the fraternal strength to "Kick it up a notch" (to paraphrase a notable TV chef)!

Have a safe summer. Frank Hrdina Treasurer

#### **EDITORIALS**

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