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## “LUAU”

WITH DR. CHEEKO

SATURDAY NOV. 11<sup>TH</sup>

7 P.M. to 12 MIDNIGHT

HAWAIIAN FLAVORED MENU

OPEN BAR

ONLY \$50/COUPLE

SUPER 50/50 \$20 TICKET

GUARANTEED PRIZE \$1500.00

DRAWING AT LUAU

TICKETS AND RESERVATIONS

MIKE SCANLON 908-578-8768

HARRY LUPO 908-577-6609

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

AT THE DOOR

### Tricky Tray

Our annual Tricky Tray will be held on Feb. 24, 2007. We are looking for donations of scratch-off lottery tickets to make up a lottery basket from the council members.

### Pasta Night Re-Scheduled

The Pasta Night for our Parish Priests, originally scheduled for November 4<sup>th</sup> has been postponed. The new date for this event will be posted in our December Digest.

### Breakfast For St. Michaels

We will be hosting a Benefit Breakfast on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> with the proceeds to benefit St. Michaels Church. The menu will include scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, home fries, pancakes, orange juice, coffee, tea and donuts.

The cost for this event will be \$7 for Adults and \$5 for Seniors and children 12 years of age and under. The Breakfast will run from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. Please make every effort to attend this worthwhile event.

For information please contact Andy Schopfer at 908-265-7895, Buddy Cotter at 908-447-3378 or the Council Hall at 908-686-4504.

### Calendar of Up-Coming Events

#### NOVEMBER

- 4 SAT ..... SEMI-ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE
- 6 MON..... COUNCIL OFFICERS MEETING@8 P.M.
- 11 SAT ..... LUAU WITH DR. CHEEKO AT COUNCIL HALL
- 13 MON.....COUNCIL MEETING @8 P.M.
- 15 WED .....2<sup>ND</sup> DEGREE @8 P.M.
- 17 FRI .....3<sup>RD</sup> DEGREE @8 P.M.
- 19 SUN .....BREAKFAST AT COUNCIL HALL @ 9 A.M.
- 27 MON.....COUNCIL MEETING @8 P.M.

#### DECEMBER

- 2 SAT .....BLOOD DRIVE AT COUNCIL HALL
- 4 MON..... COUNCIL OFFICERS MEETING @8 P.M.
- 10 SUN ..... SISTER ANN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
- 11 MON.....COUNCIL CHRISTMAS DINNER MEETING
- 17 SUN CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY (BREAKFAST WITH SANTA)
- 25 MON.....CHRISTMAS DAY
- 28 THUR.....CHRISTMAS BUS TOUR TO NEW YORK CITY
- 31 SUN ..... NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

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Columbian Club  
President ..... Kevin Conners  
Swim Club Pres. .... 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 Thu. -----Columbian Club

## MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT



This is the time of year when we are reminded to give thanks for the many things that we normally take for granted. Family, Friends and “Good Health” are usually at the top of most of our lists. Lets not forget to thank God, whom without, none of this would be possible. There is a wonderful and inspiring booklet entitled “Knights to Christ” Daily Devotions for Knights seeking Christ, published by the Knights of Columbus. This booklet contains 366 daily meditations on the Knightly values of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Passages are listed in date order to correspond to a specific time of the year.

I would like to share with everyone a prayer from this booklet pertaining to Thanksgiving.

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies,*

*We, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty Thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men.*

*We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly Thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen*

### Book of Prayers

As you look back over your life and give Thanks, what kind of spiritual growth have you experienced? In what areas have you seen the greatest change in your motives and desires, your values, in the way you treat others?

I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

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

**Buddy Cotter, Grand Knight**

### Charitable Fund Raffle

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



## ***Columbian Club News***

Brother Knights:

There is not much to announce at this time, except to inform any new members that every Sunday afternoon at the "Lounge", we welcome all new members to come to the club and enjoy an afternoon, of watching your favorite football game, enjoying good food and good company while getting to meet your other Brother Knights. It can be an enjoyable day of laughs and comradery.

Also as a reminder, please come out and join us for a good time at the Luau on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>.

Future events are being planned. Please watch for upcoming details.

Keep the Faith!

Kevin Connors - Columbian Club President

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### ***New Years Eve Party***

The Council and the Columbian Club are planning a New Years Eve party at the Council Hall. The festivities will include a D.J. and dancing, as well as an open bar and a buffet. Please see the December 1<sup>st</sup> Digest for complete details.

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### ***Blood Drive***

Our Blood Drive is scheduled for Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The hours for donations are from 11 A.M. to 4 P.M. Please make every effort to donate on this date. Sandwiches, snacks and juice will be served to all who donate. For information please contact Joe Burlew 908-507-4875 or Andy Schopfer 908-265-7895

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### ***Christmas Bus Tour***

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 contact Harry Lupo at 908-577-6609, Diane Lupo at 908-352-2190 or call the Council Hall at 908-686-4504



## ***October Knight of the Month***

***Mike Scanlon***

Over the past several months, the Council and the Columbian Club have hosted several key events ranging from a fund raiser to assist the family of a deceased fireman, the Summer Slam in July, our Past Grand Knights Dinner in September, and the upcoming Luau with Dr. Cheeko later this month. A key player in the planning and execution of these events has been the November Knight of the Month, Mike Scanlon.

Mike is currently a Director on the Columbian Club Board, but his impact on Union Council goes far beyond his invaluable contributions to the Columbian Club. Mike is always willing to assist Brother Knights with the planning of events and projects, and willing offers his insight and experience to make our events a success. Most recently, Mike became aware that the Council's computer systems required an upgrade, and without any fanfare, was able to arrange for that enhancement.





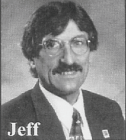



Mike is a resident of Union, and is a parishioner at St. Michael's Church. He has been married to his wife Liz for 28 years, and has two children Kelly, and Mike Jr. He is employed by the Essex County Board of Elections, where he has worked for over 25 years.

Mike is also extremely active in the Irish American Society of Union, where he has served as President for the past several years, and is also a member of the Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee. He also enjoys golfing and is an avid fan of the Giants and Yankees, and enjoys watching nearly all sporting events. For his dedication, and consistent behind the scenes efforts to make our council a better one, we are pleased to name Mike Knight of the Month for November.

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### ***50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Union Council 4504***

On December 2, 1957 Union Council 4504 was officially awarded its Charter as a council of the Knights of Columbus. Although it is over a year away, a committee has been formed to begin planning the celebration of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. If any Brother is interested in sharing ideas for this historic occasion, please contact Deputy Grand Knight Andy Schopfer. Andy's phone number is (908) 265-7895 and his email is [aschopfer@comcast.net](mailto:aschopfer@comcast.net).

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