



## Knight Digest

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Columbian Club  
President ..... Rob Salvatore, PGK  
Swim Club President ..... Joe Marateo  
Columbiette President ..... Eileen Lettier

## Monthly Meetings

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

## MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

There is no message from the Grand Knight this month.

### *Sister Ann's Pantry*

For many years Sister Ann Dominic has successfully run her Food Pantry at St. Michael's Parish, and in order to keep her good works continuing the Union Knights of Columbus will take over managing it, with the support of the parishioners and brother Knights, so her legacy will continue on. The Food bank will be called Sister Ann's Pantry in her honor, and will remain operating from the St. Michael's Parish Center. Sister Ann's Pantry will continue to operate similar as when Sister Ann was in charge, but now the work will be done by volunteers from the Knights of Columbus and the Parish. As in the past your donations of non perishable foods and monetary donations will be needed to help insure that all those helped by Sister Ann will continue to receive the help they need.

Contact the Parish Center, Steve Nagy, or Tom Conte, or email [toys4504@aol.com](mailto:toys4504@aol.com) if you can help keep this important Social Concerns program running successfully at St. Michael's Parish. This will be a commitment that will continue to reward society, as well as your self worth.

The Parish Center will pass along the names and phone numbers of those able to help with the gift of their time, talent, and treasures to help in this great endeavor. As Sister would say, Keep Smiling, God Loves You.

Please recall your charge to "CHARITY" when thinking about how you may assist those on hard times.

### *Knights of Columbus Insurance*

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## *Knights Family Dinner*

The next dinner is scheduled for

**Thursday, May 16, 2013  
6:30 - 8:30 PM**



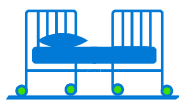
Family of 4 - \$25.00  
Adults \$8.00  
Children and Seniors \$6.00



Cash Bar Available & 50/50s

## *2012-2013 Runnells Hospital Schedule*

Below is Council 4504's schedule for volunteering at Runnells Hospital. Take a moment to add these dates to your calendar and make a commitment to yourself to volunteer to help.



**June 2, 2013**  
July 7, 2013  
August 11, 2013



Your help is greatly appreciated!  
Contact Charlie Cunningham at 908-419-2310.

## *Columbian Swim Club News*

Pool dues for this year were due on April 1st. If you are mailing them in late please include the \$25.00 late fee or pay the late fee at the gate house when you pick up your pool badges.

Please be sure to pick up your pool badges at the Gate House over Memorial Day Weekend which is May 25th after noon time. Remember to show a paid up dues card for 2013 in order to receive your pool badges.

For those who need an application or renewal form, please email Jim Ford at JFord1488@comcast.net.

## *Charitable Raffle*

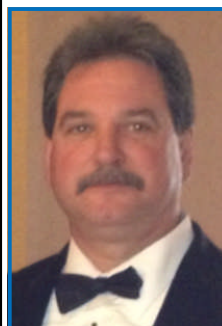
The next drawing for the Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund Raffle is **May 27, 2013**. 1st prize is 40% of Gross Sales and 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th prizes is 2 1/2 % of Gross Sales. If you need tickets, please see Andy Schopfer.

## *Knights of the Month*

*May 2013*



## **Mike Ibbitson**



So this month's Knight of the Month reminds me of a joke. Actually, he reminds me of several jokes but I'll go with a clean one. How many plumbers does it take to screw in a light bulb? Two, one to get the beer and the other to call an electrician. That's right. This month's Knight of the Month is a plumber by trade and has been willingly and unselfishly offering his services to the council time and time again. Brothers, please, join me in congratulation 4th degree Sir Knight Mike Ibbitson as May's Knight of the Month.

Mike was born in Holy Oak, MA. We forgive him for this because he is a Yankees fan but being a glutton for punishment he is also a Jets fan. Mike enjoys a good cigar when the Yankees win and a Captain & Coke when the Jets loose. He is also an adventurous man and moved to NJ in his early 20s.

Brother Ibbitson is the Jan Brady of his family – the middle child. He has an older sister Sheila and a younger brother Henry. He met his lovely wife Tammy at a Yankees game and brings her to the council often. For some reason she is more than happy to let Mike dedicate his time to the Knights as long as it gets him out of the house. Mike has a beautiful daughter Desiree and a 4 year old son, Anthony.

Mike works for Russo Brothers Plumbing in sales as well as plumbing. He is utilizing his sales ability by taking on the daunting task of Banquet Hall Manager. If you have a function and would like our Council Hall to hold your event, Mike is the man to see. Mike is also this year's interim Treasurer for the Columbian Club and can be found helping out at just about every single event there is at the council. Mike and his family are parishioners at St. Michaels in Union and are active within the church.

What else can be said about this Brother Knight? This Portuguese/Irish mix has a big heart and strong ethics, a sense of community and appropriately fraternity. I am proud to call him Brother Knight as well as close friend. Congratulations Mike and Thank you for all you do.

## *Bocce Ball & Horse Shoes*



Come and join in the fun this summer at the Union Knights of Columbus.

We are putting together summer teams & leagues for our Brother Knights and their spouses and friends at our Council to have some fun and compete in friendly games of Bocce Ball, and Horse Shoes.

Bocce ball and Horse Shoes – Two person teams will compete against each other at our picnic grove. Bocce Ball on Friday evenings, and Horse Shoes on Saturday or Sunday afternoons depending on the turnout.

For more details please contact:  
Frank Verducci at [frankv24@netzero.com](mailto:frankv24@netzero.com) or  
(908) 966-1869

or

Steve Nagy at [toys4504@aol.com](mailto:toys4504@aol.com)  
or (908) 967-9060



Final signups will be on Memorial Day weekend at the outside bar. Hope to start games on **Friday, May 31, 2013**. Adults only.

We look forward to seeing everyone come out and have some good old fashion summer-time fun.

## *Stay in touch with your Council*

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## *SLATE FOR COLUMBIAN CLUB OFFICERS 2013-2014*

President ..... Rob Salvatore PGK  
1st Vice President ..... Richie Liput  
2nd Vice president ..... Mike Campanelli  
Treasurer ..... Mike Ibbitson  
Recorder ..... Steve Stochlinski  
3 Year Trustee ..... Frank Stochlinski  
2 Year Trustee ..... Jamie Zapulla  
1 Year Trustee ..... Frank Santomauro  
1 Year Trustee ..... Jose Santiago

If anyone is interested in running for a position on the Columbian Club please see Rob Salvatore PGK or GK Alex Costa.

## *State Convention*

The annual Knights of Columbus State Convention will be held in Wildwood, NJ from May 16th through the 19th. We will again stay at the Adventurer Motel in Wildwood Crest, NJ.

Prices for the standard rooms are:

A TWO Night stay is \$350.00

A THREE night stay is \$460.00

Prices include the hospitality suite. Larger suites extra.

The balance of payment is required by our second Council meeting in April on Monday April 22, 2013.

We still may be able to get additional rooms if you have not yet reserved one.

Contact Deputy Grand Knight Steve Nagy at  
[toys4504@aol.com](mailto:toys4504@aol.com) (908) 688-6783  
to reserve your rooms.

## *HELP NEEDED FOR EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT*



My name is Mark Gallegos; I am a Boy Scout from Troop 68 and also a life-guard at the Union Knights of Columbus in which my dad is a Brother Knight. I am looking for help with my Eagle Scout project which is to create a memorial for the late Mrs. Caruso and a reading patio at Hannah Caldwell Elementary School.

My project includes an installation of a water fountain, planting flowers, wood staining and repairing benches. The dates for my project are March through April.

Anyone who can make a donation or assist in any way are asked to contact me at (908) 451-1281 or [xxmarkwolfexx@gmail.com](mailto:xxmarkwolfexx@gmail.com). Your anticipated assistance is appreciated.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>"What distinguishes the majority of men from the few is their ability to act according to their beliefs" - Henry Miller</i></p>			1	2	3	4
5 	6 Officer's Meeting	7	8	9 NY State Special Olympics Fundraiser	10	11
12 Mother's Day 	13 Council Meeting	14	15	16 State Convention	17 State Convention	18 Armed Forces Day State Convention
19 State Convention	20 Swim Club Meeting	21	22 4th Degree Assembly	23 Columbian Club	24	25 Blood Drive Memorial Day Observances
26	27 Council Meeting	28	29	30	31 Bocce Ball & Horseshoes Tournaments begin	