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Breakfast with the Easter Bunny



April 1, 2007

Knights of Columbus #4504
1034 Jeanette Ave. Union NJ 07083

Doors open after 9:00 am mass approx. 9:45am
Menu includes: Eggs, pancakes, Home fries, sausage, bacon, ham, bagels, fruit, juice and coffee.

Price: \$15.00 for a family of 4 (2 adults & 2 children)
\$5.00 each additional adult
\$3.00 each additional child

Activities:

Appearance by the Easter bunny, a magician will perform, and an Easter egg hunt at the conclusion of the festivities.

This fills up fast, please call for reservations:

Tony Quinones
908-265-3757

Calendar of Up-Coming Events

MARCH

5 MON COUNCIL OFFICERS MEETING @ 8 P.M.
10 SAT ST. PATRICKS DAY PARADE
12 MON COUNCIL MEETING @ 8 P.M.
17 SAT WORK PARTIES BEGIN @ 8 A.M.
24 & 24 SAT & SUN MEMBERSHIP DRIVE
26 MON COUNCIL MEETING @ 8 P.M.

APRIL

1 SUN BREAKFAST WITH EASTER BUNNY
2 MON COUNCIL OFFICERS MEETING @ 8 P.M.
6 FRI GOOD FRIDAY
8 SUN EASTER SUNDAY
9 MON COUNCIL MEETING @ 8 P.M.
14 SAT WESTERN NIGHT @ COUNCIL HALL
16 MON GOLF OUTING @ CEDAR HILL COUNTRY CLUB
23 MON COUNCIL MEETING AND 1ST DEGREE @ 8 P.M.
27 THUR SPECIAL CITIZENS SUNDRIVE THRU . 30TH
28 SAT COUNCIL DOUBLE BINGO 7:30 AND 10:30

MAY

5 SAT FOOD DRIVE AT LOCAL SUPERMARKETS
7 MON COUNCIL OFFICER'S MEETING @ 8PM
17 MON COUNCIL MEETING @ 8 P.M.
17 THUR-SUN 20 CONVENTION @ WILDWOOD CREST
26 SAT POOL OPENS WITH POOLSIDE MASS
28 MON MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Western Night

Presented by Knights of Columbus and the Columbian Club, Council #4504.

When: Saturday, April 14, 2007

Time: 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM

Where: Knights of Columbus Banquet Hall - Jeanette Ave.



Featuring:

Live Music and Dancing by

"Northern Crossroads"

Open bar - chicken, ribs, chili, beef stew
Coffee, Tea & Dessert

Cowboys & Cowgirls \$20.00 per person

Tickets and Table Reservations:

Mike Scanlon Harry Lupo
(908) 578-876 (908) 577-6609

Super 50/50 tickets (on sale now) with \$1,000.00 to the winner

St. Patrick's Day Parade March 10th

This year the Knights of Columbus will again be marching in the Union County St. Patrick's day Parade which will begin at 1 P.M. from Jeanette Ave. in front of our Council. Please come and march with us and bring along your families and friends.

Help your Council to make a strong showing by marching together.

State Convention Dates Set

Our Annual State Convention is set for Thursday May 17th through Sunday May 20th. Once again, Union Council will be staying at The Adventurer in Wildwood Crest. Although room rates have increased, we have decided to maintain last years prices for our members. Rates for 3 nights (Thursday through Saturday night) are \$382.00. Rates for 2 nights (Friday and Saturday night) are \$283.00. These rates include the cost of the hospitality room. We will again be expanding our food menu as we did last year, and your suggestions are welcome.

A deposit of \$180.00 is required to hold your reservation. Please contact Deputy Grand Knight, Andy Schopfer @ 908-265-7895 to make your reservations. To maintain our "sales tax free" status the Council will have to collect the final payment 1 week prior to the Convention. The Council will send a check for the balance due.

Thank You and we are looking forward to another successful Convention. Please Pray for great weather.

Knight Digest

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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.

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- District Deputy* Michael L. Cavallo, PGK
- Grand Knight*..... Buddy Cotter (908) 447-3378
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- Advocate* James Conlon
- 3rd. Yr. Trustee*..... Harry Lupo, PGK
- 2nd Yr. Trustee* Joe Beninato, PGK
- 1st Yr. Trustee*..... Mike Gasser, PGK
- Columbian Club*
- President*..... Kevin Connors
- Swim Club Pres.* Steve Ruhl

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



I would first like to thank everyone for their support with all of the functions we have had so far this year. February followed suit with several successful events. The Columbian Club kicked off the month with a Super-Bowl Party that drew over 100 people to the Lounge and Council Hall. I would like to thank Kevin Connors and Mike Logiudice for spearheading this great night for our members and friends.

The following Saturday, Sister Ann along with Tom and Marianne Conte organized the annual Valentine's Dinner/Dance for Camp Fatima. This fun evening drew over 140 people into the Council Hall for a delicious dinner of Filet Mignon and Lobster Tail prepared by Allen Pascullo, Frank Santangelo, Ron Kuziola and Mike Malloy, topped off with prizes and dancing to D.J. Eddie Gwiz.

A week later the Columbian Club kicked in again with a bus trip to Foxwoods Casino in Connecticut. Thanks to Jamie Zappulla for putting together this winter getaway. We had a full bus with over 50 people, sandwiches and refreshments, as well as movies to watch on the way to Foxwoods and back to the Council Hall.

At the first Council meeting in February, Phil Matrале along with members of the St. Michaels and Holy Spirit CYO were presented with a check for \$2,500.00 which was raised at our Pasta Night for Our Parish Priests. I would again like to Thank Tom Conte for chairing this wonderful event which well exceeded everyone's expectations.

We have just ended February with undoubtedly our largest and most successful fund raiser of the year. Our Tricky Tray raised approximately \$18,000.00 for our 4 children's charities. An event of this magnitude has to make all of us proud to be Knights of Columbus. Our Tricky Tray was this successful only because of some extremely dedicated women. Our committee consisted of Judi Amorosa, Chris Burlew, Karen Caulfield, Mary Cellitti, Donna Ruhl, Denise Salvatore, Annette Vitale, Carol Walsh and Gina Zangari. The driving force behind all of this is our Chairperson, Diane Lupo. Since this event occurred at press time, I will have a complete report in our next Digest.

As everyone can tell by these event highlights in just one month, there are plenty of opportunities and reasons to become more involved with our Council. I realize that I am repeating myself but please make every effort to attend meetings and become involved with the many good things we do as Knights of Columbus. Perhaps you can "use" this season of Lent as your personal reason to do some good deed, maybe to get more involved with your Council.



Thank You and God Bless You,
Buddy Cotter, (your) Grand Knight

2nd Annual Golf Outing

When: MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2007

Time: 9:00AM REGISTRATION
10:00AM SHOTGUN START

Where: CEDAR HILL COUNTRY CLUB
LIVINGSTON, NJ.

Price: ONLY \$115.00 PER GOLFER

Include: 18 HOLES OF GOLF, CART, LIQUID REFRESHMENTS ON THE COURSE, FOOD ON THE TURN, COMPLETE BUFFET DINNER (BACK AT THE COUNCIL), 3 HOUR OPEN BAR, PLUS A CHANCE TO WIN MANY GREAT PRIZES.

Please see the bartender for a registration form or call me. We are also looking for sponsors, please help us find some. Take a form or call me and I'll get you one and help us get some Sponsors, for without them, we would not be able to make this outing a success.

This year all of the proceeds will go to the Autism speaks foundation.



FOR MORE INFO CALL:
TONY QUINONES
GOLF OUTING CHAIRMAN
908-265-3757



Membership Drive - March 25th at Holy Spirit and St. Michael's - 9am, 10:30am and 12 noon masses. Help is needed - see Nick Belmonte.

Charitable Fund Raffle - Next drawing to be held on **March 26, 2007** at the council meeting.

Swim Club News

The season is approaching soon. Please remember that dues for membership to the swim club is due. Please mail dues to the Swim Club PO Box. Do not leave payments at the Council. Help us all project the season by paying promptly or notifying the swim club board of your intent. Council dues must be paid and a current 2007 Council Membership card **MUST** be in your possession to receive your Swim Club badges.

Work parties will start **March 17, 2007**. Work parties run from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm with lunch served. Work parties are a critical part of a successful season and we hope that participation will be strong. Your help is most needed in whatever capacity you are able. If any member is in need of a renewal letter please contact a board member ASAP as dues are due.

Wishing all a successful season.

Columbian Swim Club Board of Directors

Knight of the Month



It seems that Harry has been a member of our Council forever, although it has been just 10 years. He has already been President of the Columbian Club and he is a Past Grand Knight. You would think he would have had enough by this time, but no. Harry continues to stay fully involved and devoted to the Knights of Columbus. He is always there to help with any activity at the Knights and has chaired and co-chaired many events, most recently the Luau, the bus trip to NYC, and our largest fund-raiser the Tricky Tray.

Harry and his wife Diane have been married for 17 years. Originally from Bayonne, they have been residents of Union for 15 years and are parishioners of Holy Spirit Church. They have two children, Ashley, a senior at Union High School and Marc, who is in the 7th grade at Kawameeh Middle School. Harry is employed by Ford World in Roselle Park as a Service Manager.

When not busy helping out with activities at the Knights of Columbus, Harry spends much of his spare time with his family and following his son Marc's baseball career. Harry also enjoys socializing at the Council Lounge, especially Sunday football and it is rumored that he can play a round of golf using up only 2 dozen golf balls. Union Council 4504 is proud to name Harry Lupo as Knight of the Month for March 2007.

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Rich

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