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RUNNELL'S HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS

On Sunday May 9, 1999 volunteers are needed to assist wheelchair patients so they can attend 10:00AM Sunday Mass in the hospital chapel. For more information, contact Richard Esposito at 908-688-1676.

FIRST ANNUAL JULY 4TH SENIOR'S SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT

Lets not forget our members and their spouses who helped build this council. Well here we go—July 4th will be our first annual Shuffleboard Tournament for Senior's 55 and over. I hope I don't have to check your I'D.'s. We will be giving out prizes for the first and second place teams. The sign up sheet will be located on the bulletin board next to the pool starting May 29. There will be two person teams, gender does not matter. So please get a partner and sign up for this fun competition. If you have any questions, please call Kevin Collins 688-2038.

SWIM CLUB NEWS

The 1999 Swim Club season begins this month with the opening of the pool on Saturday May 29,1999.

Our traditional poolside mass will start at 11:00 A.M. Badges can be picked up at the gatehouse and you MUST have your K of C membership card active and paid through December 1999 in order to receive your badges.

While at the pool please take time to observe the rules and regulations. Please remember these rules are in effect for the safety of all our members.

We welcome your comments and suggestions. Enjoy your summer.

BRONX ZOO TRIP

On Saturday, May 22,1999 (Rain date Sunday May 23) Union Council will be sponsoring a family day with a bus trip to the Bronx Zoo in New York. The council will open at 8:15 AM for coffee and donuts. The bus will depart at 9AM sharp and will return to the council at approx-imately 3:00PM. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$15 for children 12yrs and under.

For information and reservations call Anthony Cavallo at 908-206-9679.

SECOND ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL SHOOT OUT

Members: July 4th is our annual 3 on 3 basketball tournament for your children. There will be a sign up sheet starting May 29th, at the outside bulletin board next to the pool gate. Your child must be signed up before June 28th in order to be in the tournament. (We give out T-shirts to all participants, so we must know how many to print.) The tournament will again be broken into age brackets starting with 9&10 year olds and topping off with 16,17 & 18 year olds. Your child can sign up with a "Guest" but remember July 4th is a holiday and guests are not permitted in the pool area without a pool pass. Pool passes are obtained by participating in a Saturday morning work party or the annual Blood drives in June.

Last year's tournament was a blast, if your child wants to play don't forget to sign up. The sign up sheet will come down June 28th, so please don't penalize your children, sign up right away. If you have any questions, please call Kevin Collins 688-2038.

CARIBBEAN NIGHT AUGUST 14, 1999

8:00 PM – Midnight

Open Bar

Dr. Cheeko's Band

\$50 Per Person

Contact : Joe Wilmore 687-5715

Clarence Cunningham 241-7710

APPRECIATION NIGHT AWARDS



(Above) To Clarence Cunningham 1997-1998 Columbian Club President from Joe Wilmore who will be the 1999-2000 President.



(Above)Swim Club President Joe Clark thanks Ed Naugin for his many years of service at the gatehouse.

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Swim Club Pres.	George Clark

MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. Council Officers
 2nd & 4th Mon. Regular Meetings
 3rd Mon. Swim Club
 1st Wed. 4th Degree Officers
 2nd Thurs. 4th Degree Color Corps
 3rd Wed. 4th Degree Regular
 4th Wed. Council Committees
 4th Thurs. Columbian Club

DOUBLE BINGO

Our annual Double Bingo this year is scheduled for Saturday, May 22, 1999. The first Bingo starts at 7:30PM and the second one at 10PM.

We need workers and players to make this event a success. If you would like to be a part of this project, please contact Jules Pruszkowski at 908-688-2846.

This event benefits our Scholarship Fund.

Chaplain's Column

REV. ANTHONY NARDO

I would like to continue talking about the importance of Sunday Mass attendance.

I would like to begin with a joke.

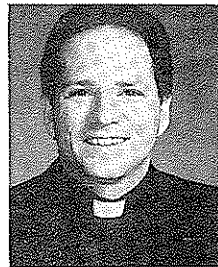
A small boy on his way to church For the first time, was being briefed by his elder sister. 'They won't allow you to talk,' she warned him. 'Who won't?' asked the boy. 'The Hushers.'

Billy Sunday once said that, "Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile." He was right. But I am sure he would also say that if you are a Christian and you do not go to church you are not fulfilling a basic Christian responsibility, namely to worship and fellowship with your fellow Christians.

Pope Pius XI said, "Human society as such is bound to offer to God public and social worship. It is bound to acknowledge in Him its supreme Lord and first beginning, and to strive toward Him as to its last end, to give Him thanks and offer Him propitiation." Pope Pius the XII then said that, "The most pressing duty of Christians is to live the liturgical life, and increase and cherish its supernatural spirit."

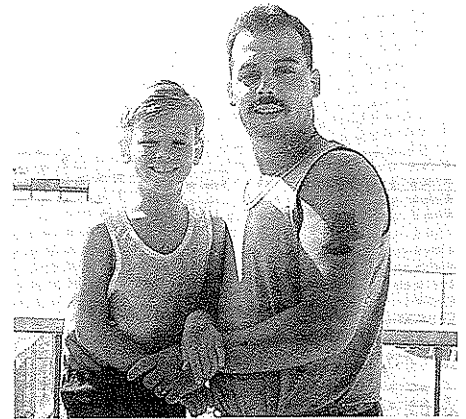
Jesus said that when we gather in his name his presence is especially with us. Jesus obviously is saying that he wants us to gather in his name and pray together. There is a Latin proverb, - "Prayers travel faster when said in unison." We strengthen one another in the faith when we pray together. Others even help us to pray better. Sometimes it is hard to pray. But when we are in church the presence of others helps us to pray.

In my own life, when I was a teenager, my own mass attendance suffered and so did my personal life. But when I returned to faithful mass attendance my life turned around. God wants to speak his very personal word to you at mass. If you listen



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

April 1999



Brother Anthony Quinones has been a resident of Union Township for the past eight years. He and his wife Kim have been married for 9 years and have one child Anthony who is eight and attends St. Michael's School. "Tony" and his family are parishioners of St. Michael's.

Since making his third degree, Tony has become a volunteer bartender. He frequently appears at our Council meetings and volunteers at our first degree meetings. For those reasons and many others he was elected Outside Guard of our Council. He was this years Chairman of our annual Retarded Citizen Drive and did a fabulous job. Tony and his wife Kim, enjoy attending the many social activities the Knights of Columbus has to offer. Tony's other activities include coaching his son's basketball team and baseball team.

For these reasons and many others, Union Council 4504 takes great pride in naming Brother Anthony Quinones as Knight of the Month for April 1999.

with your heart, God will speak to you and tell you what you need to hear. This is because God loves you very personally. May you experience God's love at Mass and receive him into your heart, especially at communion time, and know his love everyday and everywhere.

May the peace of the risen Christ be with you all,
 Fr. Anthony

Grand Knight's Column
RICH ESPOSITO

Throughout the month of May we honor Mary, our Queen of Heaven, the mother of Jesus, our Redeemer. Likewise, during this month we celebrate



Mother's Day to honor our mother who gave us life by bringing us into this world. There is no greater gift than the gift of life. With this in mind, let us keep in our prayers those less fortunate children who were deprived of their life through the act of abortion.

Once again this year our council is proud to sponsor the "Twins" in the Union Little League Challenger Division. The Challenger Division extends invitations to play ball to all physically and mentally challenged children of all ages and disabilities. We invite our members and their families to come out and support the team. The games are scheduled on Sundays at 1:00 P.M. from May 16 through June 27 at Esna Field #2.

With the Columbian year coming to a close don't think that this council is going to sleep. There are many events still on the calendar. Our next scheduled volunteer days at Runnell's Hospital are Sundays May 9 and June 13. The State Convention in Wildwood is May 13-16. On Saturday morning May 22 we are having our bus trip to the Bronx Zoo and later in the afternoon and evening is our Double Bingo at the Boys and Girls Club. The pool will open on May 29 with a poolside Mass. On Memorial Day members and their families are urged to march in the Union Memorial Day Parade. Lets show our veterans they are not forgotten. Friday, June 4 is the last First Friday Mass for the summer. The Godfather's Meshuggener Wedding is June 5. During the summer there are always blood shortages, so why not donate blood at the council semiannual blood drive on June 26. The annual Nuns and Widows Dinner Dance is scheduled on June 18. Father's Day,

MEMBERSHIP

Make your best attempt to attend our degrees as often as possible. Our next 1st degree is slated for May 26th, next 2nd degree is June 2nd and the next 3rd degree is June 11th. Please attend and show your support for your new brothers! If you have not satisfied your 2nd or 3rd degree please call me to make arrangements to accomplish this.

I wish to thank all of your recruitment efforts, and continuing efforts to expand the cause of our order in which we strongly believe. Congratulations to all our new brothers who made their 1st degree April 12th. See you on June 2, 1999.

2000 by 2000!!!

Fraternally,
Tom Conte
687-4898

INSURANCE REPORT

DUAL-LIFE is a second to die, or survivorship, life insurance plan that's being offered for the first time by the Knights of Columbus. With DUAL-LIFE, a single policy covers two people -

DUAL-LIFE costs less than two individual life insurance policies. What's more, a DUAL-LIFE plan can consist of permanent, or whole life insurance; or a combination of term and permanent insurance, which makes DUAL-LIFE very cost effective. To find out more contact K of C Agent Rich Fuentes at 908-925-9131.

June 20 is the Yankees vs. Angels baseball trip. And finally the councils first Family Camping Weekend is June 25-27.

This year Union Council is also considering having family portraits done at the council in time for Christmas. All members, widows and nonmembers will be able to have their portraits taken. In conjunction with the portraits we would like to publish a pictorial directory of our council in a year book format for all participating members and widows families. More information will be forthcoming. Happy Mother's Day to all our dear mothers.

Fraternally,
Rich Esposito

CALENDAR

May 1999

- 3 Mon.....Officers Meeting
- 7 Fri.....First Friday/
K of C Communion Supper
- 10 Mon.....Council Meeting
- 13-15..State Convention – Wildwood
- 17 Mon.....Swim Club Meeting
- 22 Sat.....Council Bingo
- 24 Mon.....Council Meeting
- 25 Tue.....Program Meeting
- 26 Wed.....1st Degree
- 27 Thur.....Columbian Club Meeting
- 29 Sat.....Annual Poolside Mass
- 31 Mon.....Memorial Day Parade

June 1999

- 2 Wed.....2nd Degree
- 4 Fri..... First Friday
- 7 Mon..... Officers Meeting
- 11 Fri..... 3rd Degree
- 14 Mon..... Council Meeting
- 18 Fri..... Nuns & Widows Dinner
- 20 Sun..... Yankee Trip
- 21 Mon..... Swim Club Meeting
- 23 Wed..... Program Meeting 7:30
- 24 Thur.... Columbian Club Meeting
- 25 Fri..... Federation Meeting
- 26 Sat.... Federation Dinner Dance
- 26 Sat.....Blood Drive
- 28 Mon..... Awards Dinner Mtg
6:30
- 30 Wed..... Midnight Toast –
Incoming & Outgoing Grand Knight

**DINNER
BENEFIT AUCTION
TRICKY TRAY**

Thursday, October 21, 1999

A Dinner/Benefit Auction (Tricky Tray) will be held on Thursday October 21, 1999 at L'Affair Restaurant, Route 22 East, Mountainside, New Jersey.

Right now we are in need of wicker baskets, different sizes, shapes and colors. A box will be at the KOC for these baskets to be placed. Also, handcrafted items, such as ceramics, crocheted needlework, wooden items, or any other handcrafted ideas you may have would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or need further information please contact Janice Hibbard 964-1447.