



# Knights Digest



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## Calendar of Events

### March

March 8th ..... Membership Event  
 March 14th ..... St. Patrick's Day Parade  
 March 22nd .. Breakfast with the Easter Bunny  
 March 23rd ..... Evening of Reflection  
 March 27th ..... Fish Fry  
 March 27th ..... Stations of the Cross

### April

April 11th ..... Uncle Floyd  
 April 27th ..... Ed Lucas



On March 27, 2015 Friday night at 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM we will be having a fish fry to benefit our Intellectual Disabilities Drive.

## Fish Fry

The cost will be \$8.00 for Seniors and children twelve and under \$10.00 for ADULTS and \$25.00 for a family of four. Please contact Michael Peter at email [mikepeter46@yahoo.com](mailto:mikepeter46@yahoo.com) or (908) 759 3588.

Volunteers are also needed to help serve and clean up.

## SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE



Once again the Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held in our Township of Union and the festivities for the parade will center on Union Council #4504 Hall and Bar. Make Union Council your place to be before, during and after on Parade Day. The best corned beef in town will be available here as always along with hot dogs and hot pretzels. DJ music will entertain you for the day. The place is always a sure thing for fun, crowd, food and beverages. Line-up for parade marchers always includes Jeanette Ave. right in front of Union Council. Be here!



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

As we have done in previous years, members of our Council have volunteered to participate at this event at St. Michael's Church during which we will conduct the readings and also carry the Cross and candles from Station to Station.

We are currently scheduled for Friday, March 27, 2015 at 7:00 PM. If you are planning on participating in this event, please plan on arriving at St. Michael's Church around 6:50 PM so we can arrange everyone in positions.



We are in Lenten Season, and we have been having difficulty getting the stores to allow us to collect. When any member is coming to the Council could you please bring can goods or non perishable foods to establish our 40 cans for 40 days. There is a box right inside the front door where in can be placed. Any information please contact PGK Mike Peter at [mikepeter46@yahoo.com](mailto:mikepeter46@yahoo.com) or call (908)759-3588.

## STATE CONVENTION

The annual Knights of Columbus state convention will be from May 14th to May 17th in Wildwood NJ. We will be staying at the Adventurer Hotel in Wildwood Crest NJ. The prices for rooms are as follows:

- 2 night stay \$370.00
- 3 night stay \$490.00
- Larger suites cost extra.

Prices include the hospitality suite. If you are interested in going contact DGK Gregory Henn at 908-721-2094 or at [clutch964@verizon.net](mailto:clutch964@verizon.net).

## Knight Digest

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**RULES FOR SUBMISSION:** Submissions for consideration are due in writing by the 15th of the month for the following month. Please mail or drop off submission, with contact information to:

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**Knight Digest Editor**  
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or via email to: [tomdudek@outlook.com](mailto:tomdudek@outlook.com). 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.

## Council Officers

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*Columbian Club*  
*President* ..... Allen Pascullo  
*Swim Club President*..... Joe Marateo, PGK  
*Columbiette President*..... Bernadette Watson

## 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

### My Brother Knights at the Union Knights of Columbus,

A very cold and snowy winter is almost behind us and spring is just around the corner. Activities at Union Council are starting to heat up as well.

First up, we're going to try something new to attract new members to our order. On Sunday March 8th at 1:00PM we're going to run a membership event at the council. We will show a 40 minute movie about Father McGivney and the founding of our order followed by brief talks by the Grand Knight, Membership Director and Fraternal Benefits representative. While our goal is to bring in new members via this event; it will also give an opportunity for all of us to get a reminder of what the Knights of Columbus are and why we were founded and continue to thrive. The event is open to all prospective members and their families. We are advertising in our local churches but it would be great if you promote this event to gentlemen who you feel would be an asset to this Council.

Next up is the Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday March 14th. There will be festivities at the hall and the Council and 4th degree will be marching in the Parade. I ask that any of you brother Knights who are not working the hall or on the parade committee give the council an hour or so of your time and march with Union Council. It would be great to have a large number of Knights out there letting the town know that we are alive and well.

On Sunday March 22nd is breakfast with the Easter bunny. Details appear elsewhere in the digest. It's always a great event for all ages. Come on out.

On Monday March 23rd we will forego the second business meeting upon the request of our Chaplain Fr. Nol and fulfill the religious Lenten duty of our order and attend a talk at St. Michael's Church at 7:30PM. Rather than going to the Council Hall that evening come on over to St. Michael's for an enlightening evening of reflection.

On Friday March 27th there will be a fish fry to raise funds for our Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities Fund. Details for this event also appear elsewhere in the digest. Come on out and support a worthy cause.

On Saturday April 11th the Columbian Club will be hosting Uncle Floyd. Again details are elsewhere. A great evening awaits you. Come on out.

On Monday, April 27th at 8:15 PM, we will forego a second business meeting and have a social meeting open to all. We will have a guest speaker, Ed Lucas. Ed is a legendary New York baseball writer who has interviewed everyone from Joe DiMaggio to Mayor Giuliani in his 55 year career. He has accomplished all of this despite being blind. Ed Lucas is a motivational speaker who has a very interesting and powerful message to deliver. I would encourage you to come out and hear his message.

As you can see there is a tremendous amount going on at Union Council (7 events in 7 weeks). Wow! There is something for everyone I think.

Please come out and support our events and get involved.

**Vivat Jesus**  
**Ed McCormick**



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## ***COLUMBIAN SWIM CLUB NEWS***

The Columbian Swim Club pool renewals have been mailed out, please return with your payment. New Membership forms are available at the council or see any of the Swim Club directors.

Please do not mail your council dues in with your pool dues and remember as always, you will need to show your paid up 2015 dues card to receive your pool badges.

We hope you can spend a few hours with us when our work parties begin to help open the pool for this coming season.

Thank you

Jim Ford - Membership  
[jford1488@comcast.net](mailto:jford1488@comcast.net)



## ***KNIGHT OF THE MONTH***

***MARCH 2015***



**Sir Frank Santangelo**



The Knight of the month for March is a man who has served on the council board for the past 9 years, with 7 as our worthy treasurer. In addition to his duties as treasurer, Frank has been a fixture in the kitchen helping to prepare many unforgettable meals. From PGK dinners, Super Bowl parties, Breakfast with Santa and the Easter Bunny, the convention, the family picnic, as well as family dinner nights, he has been around for them all. That is a commitment that can't be duplicated. Sadly, the council is losing his service this year as our Treasurer. It will be difficult to replace such a hardworking and trustworthy individual.

Frank is the Faithful Captain of the 4th degree. He has been employed by the US Army Corp of Engineers for over 30 years. He is married to his wife of over 32 years, Ruthann, and has 3 children, Frank Jr. (who is also a member of our council) and his twin sister Emily, and his youngest daughter Julia. He and his family are members of St. Michael's Church in Union.

Congratulations, Frank. We wish you well with your future endeavors here at 4504. Brother Knights, our Knight of the Month for March is Sir Frank Santangelo.



## ***CLOTHING DRIVE***

Union High School and the Union Township Senior Center Is hosting a Clothing Drive. We are looking for donations of new or gently used, clean clothing for all ages, genders, and sizes! We are also looking for toys and household items. Drop-off Dates: January 20, 2015 through April 17, 2015

Drop-off Location: There will be a new dumpster in the parking lot of the Senior Center, located at 968 Bonnell Court. Items can be placed inside the dumpster. For other accommodations, please see contact information below.

Proceeds from the clothing drive will benefit the Veterans' Alliance Memorial Day Parade. A selection of clothing will be sold as a fundraiser in the Spring for Union High School students.

For information, contact  
Ms. Randi Moran, UHS Advisor  
[rmoran@twpunionschools.org](mailto:rmoran@twpunionschools.org)

Ms. Misbah Bajwa, UHS Advisor  
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Phyllis Monguso, Supervisor of Senior Citizen Activities [senior@uniontownship.org](mailto:senior@uniontownship.org) 908-851-5290

## ***FIGHT NIGHT***

Columbian Club 1034 Jeanette Ave, Union, NJ  
Meet and Greet 7PM  
Live Show 8PM

For ticket information and purchasing contact  
Rob Salvatore, PGK 908-499-0743  
John Bashaw 908-591-4338  
Mike Ibbotson 973-647-0206

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## ***HE IS WITH US!***

A Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, March 14, 2015, at Seton Hall University in South Orange, NJ. Prayerful, Spirit-filled, life changing dynamic speakers! The day begins at 8:00 AM and ending at 4:00 PM. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Myers.

Ticket price is \$25-Adults, \$20-Senior Citizens(65+), 415-College Students (with Proper ID), Priests, Religious, & Deacons free including breakfast and lunch.

To register on-line, go to  
[www.rcanmenscommission.org](http://www.rcanmenscommission.org) or  
call: 973-497-4545, for more information  
call Chuck Cababe at 908-687-3809.

## ***KNIGHTS FAMILY DINNERS***

**Thursday, March 19, 2015**

Council Hall: 1034 Jeanette Ave. Union, NJ  
Time: 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

All monies raised will be donated to charity!

Family of 4: \$25.00

Adults: \$8.00

Children & Seniors: \$6.00

Cash Bar Available

50/50's

Advance Tickets Available

Contact Frank Santangelo: [franksanta1@yahoo.com](mailto:franksanta1@yahoo.com)

## ***PLEASE NOTE:***

Due to the increase of people coming to the family dinners we are now taking reservations for this event. If you plan on attending please call Pat Wittek at 908-964-3989. If you don't make a reservation we can't guarantee you a plate for dinner. Thank you for making this event extremely successful.

## UNCLE FLOYD

April 11, 2015



Guaranteed sellout!  
Buffet, live music and  
Uncle Floyd.  
Parties of 8 or 10 people, get  
a reserved table.  
Other seating, first come,  
first serve  
No tickets sold at the door.  
Adults only

More details to follow.

## INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES DRIVE

We are beginning to plan our INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES DRIVE for April 24th, 25th and 26th so please members, we would like to make this drive very successful. If you could volunteer some of your time to assist in this worldwide event, it would be greatly appreciated.

For anyone interested, please reach out to Mike Peter at (908)759-3588 or email [mikepeter46@yahoo.com](mailto:mikepeter46@yahoo.com). You can also help by sending a donation to the Council to the attention of PGK Mike Peter Program Director.

## Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Where: Columbian Club of Union  
When: Sunday, March 22, 2015  
Time: 10:00am - 12:30pm  
Tickets: Family of Four \$25.00  
Additional Tickets: Children: \$5.00  
Senior: \$6.00  
Adults: \$8.00

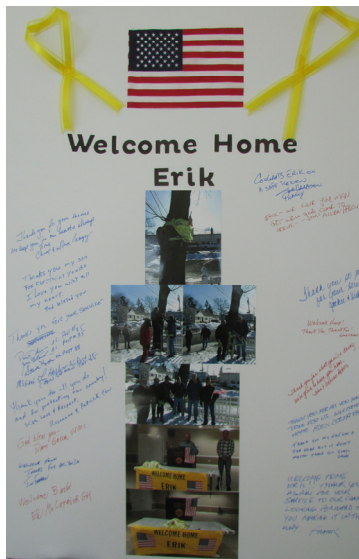
For Reservations Please Call

John Bashaw (908) 591-4338  
Joe Marateo (908) 400-2806

Tickets Must be Purchased by March 19, 2015

Columbian Club of Union, 3354 Brantley Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07081

\*\*\*There will be an Extra Fee for Tickets Sold at the Door\*\*\*



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