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*Pictured from l to r: Bob Zaiser- V.P. for Development Make-a-wish Foundation of N.J, Karen Caulfield, Tracey De Sarno - R.O.C.K (Raising our Celiac Kids) with her son Michael, Annette Vitale, Diane Lupo, Carol Walsh, Judy Amorosa, Rosemarie Golombus - Ex Director N.J. chapter Chronns and Colitis foundation of America, Chris Burlew.*

The Knights of Columbus Union Council #4504, was started with our primary goal to help others. Thanks to invaluable help from volunteers, and donations from our community, we our able to achieve that goal.

Our Tricky Tray, which was held in February, raised over \$7,500 to be distributed to local charities.

On May 8th, 2006 at the Knights of Columbus hall, Grand Knight Harry Lupo was proud to present checks of \$2,000 each to:

Rosemarie Golombus - Ex Director, N. J Chapter Chronns and Colitis Foundation of America (CCEA)

Tracey De Sarno and Michael , R.O.C.K (Raising our Celiac Kids)

Bob Zaiser- Vice President for Development, Make- a -wish Foundation of N.J.

A check for the same amount was also given to Juvenile Diabetes, The Knights also donated another \$1,500 to Juvenile Diabetes, with funds raised from our annual Golf outing.

The Knights want to thank all involved in donating their time, hard work and effort, and to the community for helping us make times like this possible.

## Officers Elected for Next Columbian Year



Grand Knight - Albert Cotter



Deputy Grand Knight - Andy Schopfer



Chancellor - Mike Peter



Warden - Lenny Tripodi



Inside Guard - Rob Salvatore



Outside Guard - Chris Flory

Elections were held on May 22nd for the 2006-2007 Columbian year. In addition to the officers pictured above, the remaining positions include:

Recorder: Frank Santangelo

Treasurer: Peter Kardys

Financial Secretary: Thomas Hornig, PGK

1st Year Trustee: Michael Gasser

2nd Year Trustee: Joe Demarco, PGK

3rd Year Trustee: Harry Lupo

**Congratulations to ALL!**

The next charitable raffle will be held on June 26th. Tickets have already been mailed. However, if you did not receive a ticket, or would like to receive additional tickets, please contact John Murphy at 908-964-4361.

## Knight Digest

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### Council Officers

*Chaplain* ..... Father Jim Worth  
*District Deputy* ..... Michael L. Cavallo, PGK  
*Grand Knight*..... Harry Lupo  
(908) 851-2493  
*Deputy Grand Knight* ..... Buddy Cotter  
*Chancellor* ..... Andy Schopfer  
*Warden* ..... Mike Peter  
*Recorder* ..... Frank Santangelo  
*Treasurer* ..... Peter Kardys  
*Fin. Secretary* ..... Thomas Hornig, PGK  
*Inside Guard* ..... Lenny Tripodi  
*Outside Guard* ..... Rob Salvatore  
*Program Dir.* ..... Clarence Cunningham, PGK  
*Membership Dir.* ..... Nick Belmonte  
*Advocate* ..... James Conlon  
*Lecturer* ..... Steve Ruhl  
*3rd. Yr. Trustee*..... Joe Bannanato, PGK  
*2nd Yr. Trustee* ..... Dom Clementoni, PGK  
*1st Yr. Trustee*..... Joe DeMarco, PGK  
*Columbian Club President*..... Bob Calderone  
*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



### THE FINAL CHAPTER

Time passes so quickly, it is very hard to believe that we are at the end of another Columbian year, and that I am at the end of my term as Grand Knight. I feel that it was a very good year, both personally and for all of us who consider Union Council 4504 as our second home. I was privileged to work with a lot of great people - all of whom were very helpful. I feel that we made some great strides in bringing the Council, Columbian Club and the Swim Club together and working more like a team, and for that I am grateful.

I am thankful to so many people that I am afraid to mention names for fear of forgetting someone. That being said, I would like to thank my committee chair people for being there and making all of the events that they ran a great success. I would also like to thank the Columbian Club for their strong support and help throughout my year. Last, but not least, I would like to thank my Council staff and officers who were extremely helpful throughout the year. In fact, thanks to their dedication over the past year, I am confident that the upcoming years will be good for our Council with these individuals in place to lead the way.

I would like to congratulate the newly elected officers of the Council. I know that Buddy Cotter will make a great Grand Knight, and with officers behind him like Andy Schopfer as Deputy Grand Knight, Mike Peter as Chancellor, and Lenny Tripodi as Warden to name just a few, he will have a lot of support and help. All of this leads me to believe that we have a number of good years to look forward to.

Finally, I would like to thank my children Ashley and Marc for allowing me the time to serve as your Grand Knight, but most of all, I would like to thank my wife Diane for being by my side to help and support my endeavor. In closing, I would also like to thank all of you for choosing me to be your Grand Knight for the 2005-2006 Columbian Year. It was a tremendous year and a tremendous experience!

May all of you be safe, healthy, and may God bless you all.

**Harry J. Lupo, Grand Knight**

## Columbian Club News

My year as the Columbian Club President has come to an end. I am sure some people will be glad, but I hope most will remember that I always tried to do what was best for the Knights of Columbus. I enjoyed serving in all three Columbian Club positions and always tried to perform to the best of my abilities. I want to thank every member of the Columbian Club board for their support, their efforts and their guidance. Each one of them is a specialist in their own way. Some are mechanically inclined, some are very knowledgeable of the proper procedures to be followed, some have a gift for raising money and others are great with numbers. None is any more important than the next. So whether you offered your help at work parties, or paid the bills, or chaired an event, or offered guidance as a confidant, I have the utmost respect and gratitude for all of you.

I am being succeeded by a very capable, intelligent, likeable guy named Kevin Connors. To him I offer any assistance or guidance he may need. I am sure he will make a fine Columbian Club President. Again, thanks to all for making it easy for me to have a successful year. Please don't forget the "Seaside Summer Slam" to be held July 22, 2006. More details will be available as we get closer to the event date. The first Seaside Summer Slam was a fabulous success and I'm sure Kevin will make this one even better. Lets all have a safe, fun filled summer and may God bless you.

**Bob Calderone,  
Columbian Club President**

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### Swim Club

Just a reminder for new members about the use of badges:

- ✦ Pool badges and guest cards are not transferable. Simply stated, you can't take a badge given to you or a family member and give it to a guest to use.
- ✦ Badges have never been transferable.
- ✦ Several badge checks are conducted throughout the swim season.
- ✦ Guest rates for this swim season are: Children \$5.00 and Adults \$10.00. You can bring guests in seven days a week.
- ✦ Fees for lost badges: First time, \$5.00 and subsequent \$15.00.



We still need volunteers to help with work parties both before the pool opens and after the pool closes for the season. We have one of the best maintained and staffed pools in the area, help keep it that way.

If you know of any 3rd degree Knights of Columbus member and they are interested in joining the pool, applications are available at the club.

Thank you and enjoy the summer months.

**Jim Ford  
Membership**

## Knight of the Month



The Knight of the Month for June 2006 is George Domaniecki. George lives in Union and is married to Linda. They have a son Scott who is 34 a son Michael who is 31 and a member of Union Council. The Domaniecki's are parishioners of St. Michaels Parish.

Raised in Newark, George went to St. Benedicts Prep and East Side High School. George is a veteran of the U. S. Air Force and is employed by CFM Corporation in Mountainside as an engineer.

Although George has been a member of Union Council for a short time, it didn't stop him from jumping in and becoming immediately involved. George has been instrumental in the improvements to the inside bar and the Council Hall with our video and sound systems.

At this time, George is heavily involved with the construction of our deck at the outside bar and patio. Actually it is George who drew up the plans and has spear-headed this monumental effort.

Union Council 4504 is proud to name George Domaniecki as Knight of the Month for June 2006.







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### RISK AND REWARDS BY RICH FUENTES FIC,CSA

Planning for a comfortable and worry-free retirement Some concern from baby boomers and others approaching retirement age will face increased challenges, brought about by many companies opting to change their pension plans or to freeze benefits. The best ways to meet these challenges are to educate yourself on what you can expect in the way of benefits from both your company and your government, and save as much as possible yourself. To reiterate: take matters into your own hands. To help you to educate yourself, allow me to suggest a booklet entitled Retirement Risk Manager. Published by the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA). This booklet outlines several areas of Risk that retirees face, helps you to determine how susceptible you are to each of these Risks, and offers alternatives for managing each area of Risk. (THIS BOOKLET IS FREE FROM THE KNIGHTS TO OUR MEMBERS JUST E\_MAIL ME AT RICHKOFC@AOL.COM AND I'LL BE HAPPY TO GET YOU A COPY). The areas of Risk discussed are - Living longer than you thought you would (longevity risk), one spouse dying sooner than the other spouse (spousal risk), facing significant out-of-pocket health care costs (health care cost risk), losing the ability to live independently (long term care risk), prices rising over time (inflation risk), and your investments performing worse than expected (investment risk). I'll ask just one thing in return--if your risk assessment uncovers a potential problem, talk to me. The Knights of Columbus has a full package of Life Insurance, Long Term Care Insurance and guaranteed retirement Annuities that will minimize your exposure to many of these risks.

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**FYI** The next issue of the Knight Digest will be distributed in mid-July.

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