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Calendar of Events

December

December 31st.....New Year's Eve Party

January

January 30th Chili Cook-off

February

February 19th.....Elvis (Dinner & Show)

March

March 4th Fish Fry

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES FISH FRY

We are getting close to planning our annual intellectual disabilities fish fry. This is just a reminder that the evening will be March 4, 2016. If anyone is interested in attending please reach out to Mike Peter.

Tickets will most likely available towards the middle of February. The fish fry we had in 2015 was very successful, we would like to make this one just as successful. More likely then not we will close reservations at a specific date and no door sales.

HELP GIVE THE GIFT OF SIGHT TO THOSE LESS FORTUNATE



The Union Knights of Columbus 4504 will be setting up a collection box for donations of used eyeglasses, and sunglasses to be taken to the New Eyes for the Needy in Millburn, NJ.

Since 1932, New Eyes for the Needy has provided clear vision to over 8 million people in the United States and throughout the world. New Eyes for the Needy was founded in 1932 by the late Julia Lawrence Terry of Short Hills, NJ. The idea originated with Mrs. Terry when she worked as a volunteer at a Red Cross food depot during the Depression. So many applicants had impaired vision that she collected discarded eyeglasses for distribution to those in need.

In 1958, New Eyes for the Needy was incorporated in New Jersey as a non-profit charitable organization. A new headquarters at 549 Millburn Avenue was purchased in 1961. Their Program distributes used glasses worldwide. They receive donations of used glasses from all across the country. Their specially trained volunteering teams test and sort the glasses into different categories. After which we distribute the glasses through international charitable organizations and small medical missions.

Don't let those old glasses take up space in your drawers when they can be put to good use.

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION BRING-A-DISH AT THE BAR

9:00 PM to 1:00 AM

Bring Your Favorite Dish for All to Share



Cash Bar
Champagne Toast at Midnight



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or preferably via email to: 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.

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Columbiette President..... Fran Corcione

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

Brother Knights,

I want to wish everyone a very healthy, and Happy New year. It is hard to believe we are in a new year and half of my term as Grand Knight is over. I would like to thank all of you who have helped and supported me in 2015. I look forward to working with all of you and for your continued support in the new year.

January 6 is the Feast of the Epiphany. It is celebrated by Christians around the world. It is the day the three wise men visited the infant Jesus, and the day St. John the Baptist baptized Jesus in the river Jordan.

As in previous years, we will be selling fifty-fifty chances after all the Sunday masses at St. Michael's Church during the month of January. We need at least one brother after every mass to sell chances. If you can spare about a half hour of your time after mass please contact me.

In closing, I would like to encourage our new members, anyone who hasn't been to a recent council meeting or event, or volunteered for one of our functions to come out. Everyone who participates, even in the smallest way, contributes to the Council's success. I look forward to seeing you at the Council.

Vivat Jesus
Greg



Valentine's Day - Save the Date

February 19th - Elvis is in the Building

Dinner and Show Price to follow...

Or Call John Peters at (908) 296-1638

Email: jep103@verizon.net.

Love me Tender for Valentine's Day!



CITIZENS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES DRIVE

We are happy to report that as of November 30th we have collected over \$2500.00.

Mike and I would like to thank all our brother Knights and their families who have turned out to help us with the collections on the streets and in front of the stores, and who supported fund raising events at local restaurants.

We would also like to acknowledge the support from some of the businesses and the Churches in Union that have participated in the Drive.

The managers and employees of the 7-11 and Quick Check stores for allowing us to collect in front of their stores.

The Seabra's at Five Points has allowed us to collect the last three years and are the only chain supermarket to give us permission.

We ran very successful fund raising events at Rita's Ice Cream, Glendale Pizza and the Red Cadillac Restaurant.

We ask that you support the local businesses listed above as they have always been there with their support for the Drive.

As a result of last years drive we raised \$5500, which was distributed to 3 organizations in Union County dedicated to assisting Citizens with special needs.

Our goal for this year is to raise \$ 7000, the collection year for the Drive runs from June to June, so we have 7 months to reach our goal, and we need your continued support to help us reach our goal.

If you can't participate in collections, we ask you make a contribution, every dollar helps. If you want to make a contribution you can contact

- ◆ John Esposito at 201 538 814 or Mike Peters at 908-759-3588
- ◆ We are planning the following events in 2016:
- ◆ Feb. Fund Raising event at Cioffi's Restaurant, they donate 10 % of your bill.
- ◆ March The Third Annual Fish Fry at the Council, book early it fills up quickly!!
- ◆ April Street Collections we need a lot of people to cover all locations new faces welcome.
- ◆ May Collections after Mass at Holy Spirit and St Michaels.
- ◆ May Fund raising event at Rita's 10% of the bill.

Lets make this years the most successful collection!

John and Mike



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

JANUARY 2016

Joe Harbison



The knight of the month for January is Joe Harbison. Joe was raised in Nutley NJ. He is the 3rd of 5 children. He has lived in NJ since 1989 and married to Nancy his wife of 27 years. His son James lives in San Diego California.

He is a parishioner of St. James Church in Springfield. Joe is an electrician and member of the IBEW for Anheuser Busch in Newark NJ as well as a member of the Irish American Society of Union.

Joe is a 4th degree Knight and a Swim Club board member he enjoys his time at the Jersey shore, Jets football games, fishing and frying them up for all to enjoy. This past summer he did a lot of electrical work for the club. Congratulations Joe and keep up the good work.



KNIGHTS FAMILY DINNER

The Knights Family Dinner will continue on Thursday, January 21, 2016.



Swim Club

Renewal Pool Memberships have been mailed out. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE AT THE COUNCIL,** mail them. thank you.

Jim Ford

Chili Cook Off 2016

OK Ladies and Gentlemen, we're coming to that time of the year when the weather turn cold and everyone complains of being a little chilly.

Well, we have cure for al that. Our annual Chili Cook-off is coming up. Don't panic, there's still plenty of time to dig out the old receipe and maybe even make a practice batch or two.

The cook off will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2016 at 1 PM.

As in past years, there will be a sign-up sheet and rule sheets at the bar. Watch the bulletin board or see Tom Walsh for additional information.

Tom Walsh



4TH DEGREE ASSEMBLY

Sir Knights,

Please, note that January's monthly Assembly meeting will be held a day earlier on TUESDAY NIGHT January 26th 2016 as their will be a District Deputy at the Council on Wednesday January 27th 2016.

Our Monthly Assembly Meeting for February will be held on Wednesday Night 24th 2016 as scheduled.

Thank you.
Regards, Alex C



Coat Drive

Folks, as the weather turns cold and the Holiday Season is right around the corner, let us not forget those less fortunate. Clean out your closets and let's get some coats to those who need. There is a coat collection box at Union Council 4504 and if you won't be at the council, call/text me and I'll make arrangements to come and get your donation. Don't have any coats to donate? I am also going to purchase some coats if you'd rather make a monetary donation. Thank you.



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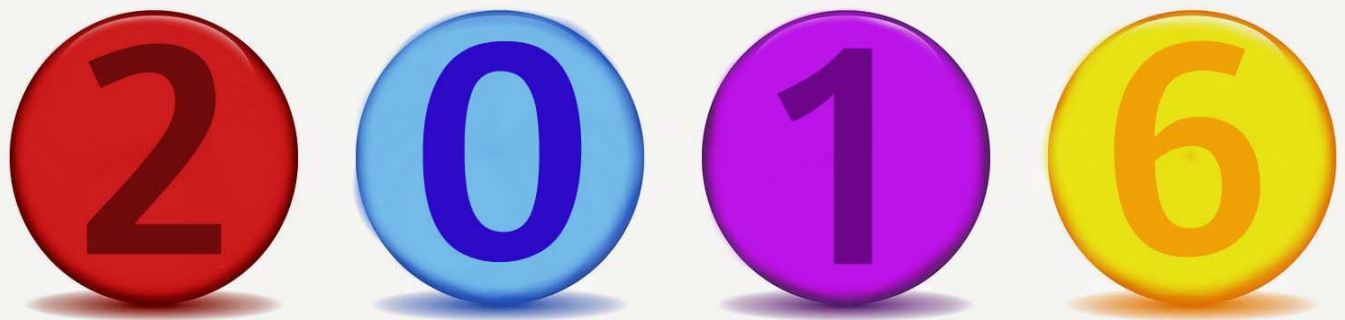
Basketball Free Throw

The basketball free throw competition was on December 19 unfortunately we only had two children show up for this. Gentlemen I am asking again for someone to step up from the Catholic Schools and Public Schools to possibly assist in some of the Programs we have for our Members Children. There are alot of events the Knights do for not only the Council. We also do for the Community. Church. Rite to Life, and our Youth. Please gentlemen if you can find a little time to volunteer please give me a call.

All winners will be listed for the Council Competition in next month's Digest.

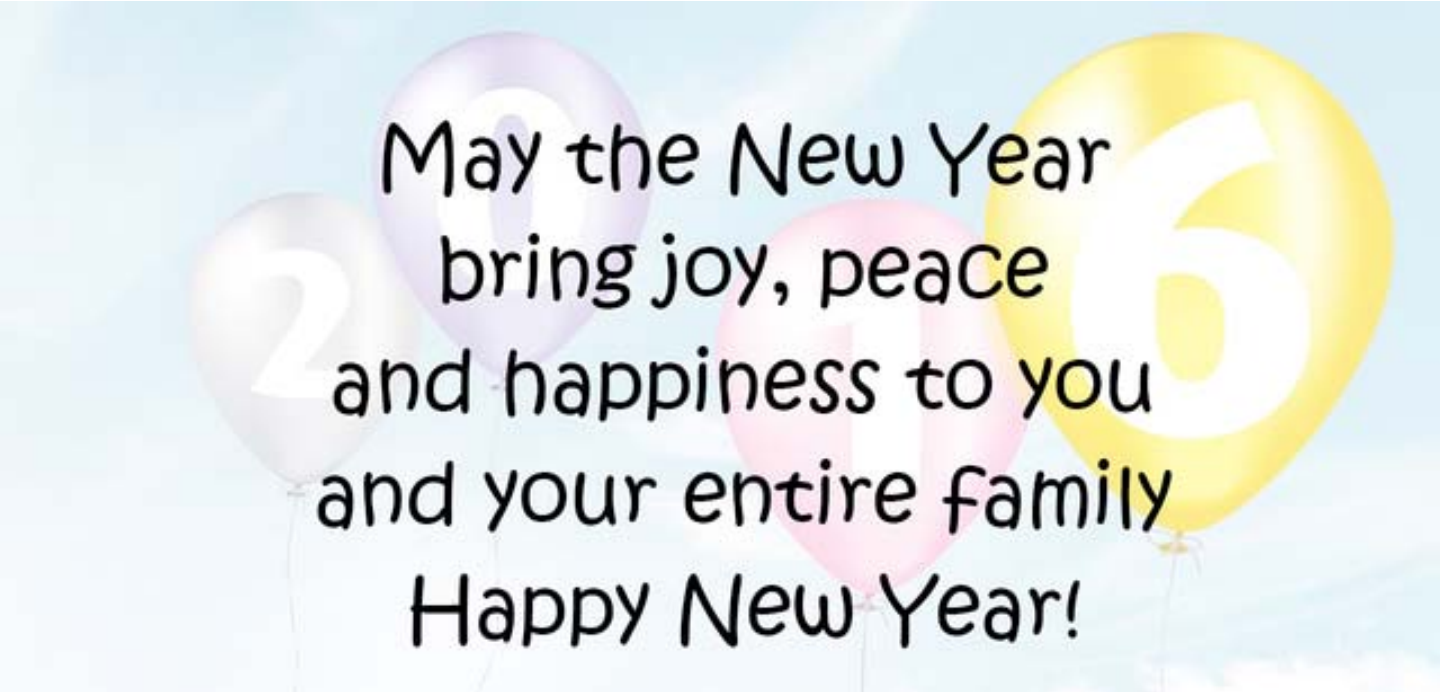
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Thank you Sirs



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May the New Year
bring joy, peace
and happiness to you
and your entire family
Happy New Year!

The text is centered on a light blue background with a soft, out-of-focus image of balloons in white, purple, pink, and yellow. The balloons have large white numbers on them, corresponding to the year 2016.

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JANUARY  **2016**

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3 50/50 Tickets After All Masses	4 Council Officers	5	6	7	8	9
10 50/50 Tickets After All Masses	11 Council Meeting 8:10 PM	12	13	14	15	16
17 50/50 Tickets After All Masses	18 Swim Club Mtg.	19	20	21	22	23
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