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May 2nd Mass for Firefighters
 May 13-16th Annual Convention
 May 15th Anointing Mass
 May 24th Voting for New Council Officers
 May 29th 11 AM Mass for Deceased veterans pool side
 May 31st Memorial Day Parade

Nominations for 2010-2011 Officers

The Nominating Committee has concluded their interviews for the Council Officers for the Columbian Year of 2010-2011.

They are as follows: Grand Knight - Joseph Burlew; Deputy Grand Knight - Gino Gonzalez; Chancellor - Kyle Wiklanski; Warden - Alex Costa; Guards - Pedro Bexiga and Steve Stochlinski; Advocate - Steve Hehl; Recorder - Steve Nagy; Treasurer - Frank Santangelo; 3 Year Trustee - Rob Salvatore

We will be reading the list for the first time at the Council Meeting on May 10th then have the second reading and the vote on May 24th, for those that have been nominated please be in attendance for the vote.

Thank you, The Council Nominating Committee

Anointing Mass

A special liturgy will be celebrated and the sacrament at anointing for the sick will be administered to those in need on Saturday, May 15, 2010 at 11:00 AM.

Place: St. Michael's Church Hall

Lunch will be served immediately following the mass

Call Sister Ann at 908-686-5271 ext. 110 by May 10th

Memorial Day Weekend

All members of Union Knights of Columbus and their families are invited to come out to the Council this Memorial Day Weekend for a weekend full of events and activities for the whole family.

The fun will start on Friday evening May 28th and run through Monday evening May 31st. Besides the annual pool opening and Pool-side Mass under the canopy in honor of Deceased Veterans on Saturday, we are planning the following activities and events. World War II Veterans Flag Raising, Dedication of the Picnic Grove in Honor of Tony Sibilia, Horseshoe contest to benefit the USO, LRC game, Memorial Day Parade with classic cars and motorcycles, DJ at the bar, Battle of the Summer iPods, and more. And for the Kids we are planning Movies, Bingo, Free throw contest, face painting, chess and checkers tournament, and arts & crafts. The outside bar and snack bar will be open, or if you prefer bring your own food and enjoy a family picnic in Tony Sibilia Grove. Besides all the planned activities come out and enjoy a weekend of fun and good times with your family and friends at the Council. Start the Endless Summer of 2010 by spending the Memorial Day Weekend at the Council and make the Union Knights you "Staycation" destination this summer. More details will be posted on our web site.

Memorial Day Parade

Once again the Union Knights of Columbus will march in the annual Union Township Memorial Day Parade, except this year we are adding a few "EXTRAS".

Besides having Brother Knights, the Columbiettes, and family members marching, we are planning on having some Military vehicles and antique cars for our World War II Veterans to ride in.

The NJ State Knights of Columbus Motorcycle Ministry will ride in the parade with us. And we are planning for some Knights and their children to ride bicycles in the parade too.

The parade starts at 10:00 AM on Monday May 31st, and we will line up at 9:15 AM. Details of the street location for line up will be posted on the web site. Or email Steve Nagy at toys4504@aol.com.

Please come out and have fun marching with us on Memorial Day as we Honor all those who sacrificed for our Country.

World War II Veterans Activities

Here is a brief update of the planned activities for our World War II Veterans and everyone else that would like to participate.

Saturday May 22 - Military Memorabilia Show at the Union Boys & Girl Club - Show your Knights of Columbus traveling card and receive \$1.00 off admission.

Saturday May 29 - Flag Raising Ceremony - Poolside after the Mass for Deceased veterans pool side. Mass starts at 11:00 AM.

Monday May 31 - Union Township Memorial Day Parade - We are arranging Military vehicles & vintage cars for the Veterans to ride in so they can join us as we march in the parade.

Saturday August 14 - 11:00 AM Mass at St. Michael's Church to commemorate the 65th Anniversary of V-J Day, the end of World War II.

More detailed information of each event will be posted on our web site and sent to the Veterans. Please plan on attending these activities being held in your Honor.

Annual St. Florian Mass for Firefighters

The archdiocese of Newark will hold its Annual St. Florian Mass for Firefighters on Sunday, May 2, 2010 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark at 3:00 PM. Come to honor those who serve to protect our communities from the dangers of fire. The combines services Pipes and Drums will participate. All are invited to attend.

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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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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.

Council Officers

- District Deputy*..... Lawrence Killmer, PGK
- Grand Knight*.....Rob Salvatore
- Deputy Grand Knight*..... Joe Burlew
- Chancellor* Gino Gonzalez
- Warden*..... Kyle Wiklanski
- Recorder*Steve Nagy
- Treasurer* Frank Santangelo
- Fin. Secretary* Thomas Hornig, PGK
- Inside Guard* Alex Costa
- Outside Guard*Mike Campanella
- Membership Director*..... Nick Belmonte
- Program Director*.....
- Advocate* Stephen F. Hehl
- 3rd. Yr. Trustee*.....Mike Peter, PGK
- 2nd Yr. Trustee*..... Tom Conte
- 1st Yr. Trustee*.....Buddy Cotter, PGK
- 4th Degree Faithful Navigator*..... Allen Pascullo
- Columbian Club President*..... Bob Calderone
- Swim Club President*..... Allen Pascullo
- Columbette President*.....Christine Burlew

Monthly Meetings

- 1st. Mon. -----Council Officers
- 2nd & 4th Mon.----- Council
- 3rd Mon. ----- Swim Club
- 1st Wed. ----- 4th Degree Officers
- 2nd Thu. -----4th Degree Corps
- 4th Wed. -----4th Degree Assembly
- 4th Thu.----- Columbian Club

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT



Brothers,

This past month was filled with events, just to name a few, we had our annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny. This year the bunny gave away child ID kits and coloring books to the children in attendance. Kudos goes out to Tony Quinones and all brothers involved in the planning, cooking and set-up, and to our Easter Bunny for coming out to help. Also, thanks goes out to Mike Scanlon and Mike Panella for putting together "Comedy Knight". It was a good time and we all left in stitches after the routines. "Eddie G" added to the fun, and those of us that were there are still talking about it.

I would like to thank all those who took the time to help with the SCD. That is one of the biggest fund raisers we have and we appreciate all the help. As chairman, I would like to Thank everyone involved with helping me the weekend at the churches, on the streets and at the supermarkets. On a side note, the Raffle we always send out in conjunction with the drive is a little late. Please keep your eyes on the mail as it will be arriving shortly.

We all know about the passing of our Brothers Mike, Ray, and Harry this past month, and I just want to say that as a brother Knight, and as Grand Knight, I couldn't have been prouder as we all stood together and turned out en-masse to show support for our brothers and there families.

We have our annual convention coming up, May 13-16th. We are expecting a good turnout this year and we always have a good time.

Please remember that with Memorial Day coming up, that we remember the real reason for it. We will be honoring, all Memorial day weekend, our veterans that gave there all in service to our country. Please see the article elsewhere in the digest for more info.

What is old is new again around our council, in looking at some of the older digests, a few things looked interesting. We will be bringing back the "Lecture Series". The second meeting in May we will have guest speakers, Stephen Hehl and Rich Fuentes to talk about Pensions, 401k, and what to do with your money. Also the Swim Club is looking to bring back "Council Days". Please keep checking our website for more details on these events.

God Bless the USA, God Bless the Council, and God Bless us all.



Thank you
Robert Salvatore,
Grand Knight

Thank You !

The Columbian Club wishes to extend a very gracious thank you to Brother Bob (Curly) Gormley for his generous donation of patio furniture for our upcoming Summer Season!!!



If anyone has any non-perishable goods and would like to donate during these spring months please drop them off at the Council now thru May 13th. We will be collecting in front of Stop 'N Shop and Shop Rite on May 1st and May 2nd from 9 am to 3 pm.

If anyone is available to help, please contact Nick Belmonte at 908-447-1869.

LAPTOPS FOR THE WOUNDED

Union Knights of Columbus is pleased to offer its support to the Laptops for the Wounded Organization.

Laptops for the Wounded is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that provides laptops with webcams to wounded troops in military hospitals. The laptops are then used by the troops to remain in contact with wives, husbands, families and loved ones, while recuperating from their combat wounds. The laptops will then remain at the hospitals to be used by other incoming wounded troops to contact, and remain in contact, with loved ones. For more information visit www.laptopsforthewounded.com.

As part of our Memorial Day Weekend activities, we will accept donations of your used laptops to be sent to Laptops for the Wounded to be set up for use by our Service Men and Women as they recuperate at Military Hospitals.

You can drop off your old laptop at the Council over the Memorial Day weekend, or contact Steve Nagy at toys4504@aol.com to arrange a drop off. Thanks for your support of this program that helps our Wounded Service Men and Women.

Knights of Columbus Council 4504 Catholic High School Scholarship Applications

Knights of Columbus; Union Council 4504 is accepting scholarship applications for the 2010-2011 school year.

Basic Requirements

All applicants must be a child or grandchild of a member of the Knights of Columbus, Union Council 4504 in good standing to apply; in addition the child must be attending a catholic high school.

Additional Requirements

Please submit the following documentation to the Scholarship Committee for consideration:

- ★ A letter of consideration to the Knights of Columbus Council 4504 Scholarship Committee.
- ★ Documentation (report card, transcripts etc.) that a you have maintained a minimum of a "C+" average for the past eight marking periods.
- ★ Documentation of acceptance/enrollment to a catholic high school.
- ★ A summarization of your individual and academic accomplishments in the past twelve months.
- ★ Three personal references; which should include references from an educator, clergy, and family (why you deserves this scholarship).
- ★ A one hundred word essay; "Why a catholic education is important to me".

All applications must be submitted by July 1, 2010.

Applicant's will be scheduled for an interview with the "Scholarship Committee" based on the merits of their applications.

Please address your completed paperwork to the Knights of Columbus Council 4504 Scholarship Committee at 1034 Jeannette Ave, Union, New Jersey C/O Gino Gonzalez.

If you have any question, please contact Gino Gonzalez, Committee Chairperson at 973-444-6899.



May 2010 Knight of the Month Ron Kuziola



Ron has been a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 4504 for eight years after transferring from South River where he and his father were members of the Knight of Columbus. He has lived in Union for 29 years with his wife Suzanne of 30 years this June. Together they have raised three sons, Michael 24, who is attending NJIT where he is completing his masters degree in mechanical engineering, Kevin 24, who graduated from NJIT with a degree in architecture is now working for a architectural firm in Bridgewater and Peter 19, who is attending UCC for computer science.

Raised in South River and East Brunswick, Ron graduated from East Brunswick High School in 1975. Ron is the NY/NJ Metro District Operations Manager for "Canteen" one of the largest vending companies in the country.

In his spare time Ron has renovated his entire house inside and out including an addition of a second floor. He takes great pride in doing the work himself. Ron also enjoys bowling, vacations at the shore and restoring his antique "Charger". Ron will occasionally take in a car show with his sons.

Ron is always happy to help his wife Suzanne with her PTA functions. His friends say you cannot find a more reliable person. He is always willing to volunteer his time and experience in the council kitchen for events such as Breakfast with Santa/Easter Bunny, Sister Ann's charitable events and many others.

We are pleased to honor Ronald Kuziola as the Knight of the Month for May.

Swim Club News

Don't forget to send in your 2010 pool dues. The pool dues for the 2010 season were due on March 15th. Anyone paying after April 1, must include a \$25.00 late fee.

The pool will open on Saturday, May 29th, Memorial Day weekend, after the pool-side mass. A paid-up 2010 Knight of Columbus membership card must be presented to receive your pool badges.

If you have any questions, please email Jim Ford at jford1488@comcast.net.

Opening Day services will include a Mass for Deceased veterans pool side under the canopy starting at 11:00am. Coffee and Danish will be served immediately after Mass. We look forward to once again having a large turnout for this once-a-year special occasion.

Also, the Columbian Swim Club will be reinstating "Council Days" this year, one day in the month of July and August, where any 1st Degree Federation Knight in good standing may enjoy the Pool facilities along with their "Immediate Family" at no charge. For 2010, these dates are July 11th and August 8. During these days, additional "guests" may use the pool at the prevailing daily rate.

Work parties continue on Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm and on Saturday mornings at 8:00am. Your continued support is needed in order to ensure that the Pool will open on time. If you have not had an opportunity to participate, please stop by and give us a much needed and greatly appreciated hand.

Allen Pascullo
Columbian Swim Club President

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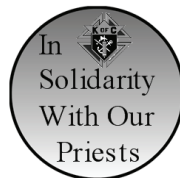
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 Mass for Firefighters	3 Officer's Mtg.	4	5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7	8 May Crowning
9 Mother's Day	10 Council Mtg.	11	12	13 Convention	14 Convention	15 Anointing Mass Convention
16 Convention	17 Swim Club Mtg.	18	19	20	21	22 Military Memorabilia Show
23	24 Council Mtg. Vote for New Council Officers	25	26 4th Degree Assembly	27 Columbian Club Mtg.	28	29 11 AM-Pool-side Mass for deceased veterans 12 Noon-Flag Raising Ceremony
30	31 Memorial Day Parade					

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