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Grand Knight Ray Fluet

Hi, my name is Ray Fluet and I am the Grand Knight of you council for the 1993-1994 Columbian year. I am sure that a large majority of you have never heard of me or met me before. I hope to change that.

In Union Council 4504 we have a council with a full variety of events and activities for our members and their families to participate in and enjoy. As a council we also raise a large sum of money and do a lot of charitable work for people in need. We can and should do much more. Our council is over 1800 members in size, but our active membership is much much smaller and it seems to be getting smaller all the time. Many of you reading this article today are active members and I thank you for that, but a larger portion of you are not and you are the peopl I am trying to reach.

Let's take a second and look back on the history on our council. Everything you see and enjoy, the bar, the pool, the picnic area, etc....., were done through the efforts of a group of very dedicated members who wanted a place for their brothers knights and future brothers of our council to enjoy with their and family and friends. From a charitable standpoint our council has become the standards of excellence throughout our order. Our council averages in excess of \$25,000, in annual monetary donations along with donating uncountable manpower hours all for needy organizations and individuals. Without these efforts our council and the council home would not exist. If our council is to continue this pace we need your help.

It is not always easy to be an active member. It is a sacrifice at times, but it is a sacrifice in God's name and it is work that needs to be done. I know that many needy organizations would be in serious financial straits if it weren't for the efforts of the Knights of Columbus. I know there would be more people going to bed hungry if it weren't for the Knights of Columbus. So I am asking you to get involved. Start by reading this digest completely and find something that you can help with. Then come to a council meeting and get involved. Another good way to get started is to come to a social event or participate in one of our sporting activities. If there are other reasons you are not involved, if some reason you felt turned off in the past then I ask you to give the Knights of Columbus another chance. I am looking forward to meeting you soon.

Brothers, do not forget these important dates. First, August 21 is our council' bingo. Please make an effort to help and

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Annual Awards Dinner

Our Annual Awards Dinner Meeting was held on June 28th at the Council Hall. Awards were presented to all winners of our Youth Programs. The knight of the Months all received plaques that evening. Additionally, the Grand Knight presented gifts to Brother Knights that helped make the 1992-1993 Columbian Year a great success.

The Grand Knight Award was presented to Mike Malloy for his assistance to the Grand Knight, notably a thank you from the GK Jim O'Connell for his efforts to make the Sunday Dinner with the Grand Knight a success.

The Columbian Award was presented to John Relton for his significant efforts in promoting Columbianism in the Council. John's contributions to the council as the Kitchen Manager, were noticable at all the Council Affairs. From his hard working kitchen Crew to a fine menu served.

The Knight of the Year was awarded to Gary Hornig for his outstanding dedication and untiring efforts to Union Council in promoting the Ideals of the Knights of Columbus.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!!!

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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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Aug.7.....Day Trip to Monmouth Park
Aug. 7.....Youth Splash Party, Night
Aug. 9.....8:15 P.M. Council Meeting
Aug. 14.....Patio Racing
Aug. 21.....7:30 P.M. Bingo at Boys Club
Aug. 21.....Polish Night
Aug. 22.....Yankees Game
Aug. 23.....Council Meeting, 1st Degree
Sept. 10.....First Friday
Sept. 11.....Council Family Picnic
Sept. 12.....Picnic Rain Date
Sept. 13.....Council Meeting
Sept. 18.....PGK Dinner
Sept. 27.....Council Meeting
Oct. 15.....Chinese Auction

Congratulations on a Successful Blood Drive

Those were the words I heard on my telephone answering system. They came from the North Jersey Blood Center coordinator, Harry Morecroft, who handles the State Knights of Columbus Blood Bank account.

On June 19th, FIFTY THREE Brother Knights, their wives and friends turned out to this the most successful Blood Drive we have had in years, and I know that those who are in need of blood replacement THANK YOU with all their heart for taking the time on that hot day to give the "GIFT OF LIFE."

My thanks to ED ROCCO for preparing and serving roast beef sandwiches to all and to the Swim Club for pool passes.

Our next scheduled Blood Drive is Sunday, November 21, 1993 from 10 AM to 3 PM. Please mark your calendar.

Franternally
Dominick Clementoni PGK
Blood Bank Chairman

BINGO

On Saturday, August 21, 1993, we will hold our ONLY Bingo this year. It will begin at 7:30 PM at the Boy's & Girl's Club of Union. We need you help to support our scholarship fund. Bring your relatives and friends to play Bingo. Who knows? It may be your child someday receiving a scholarship, so lets do it for your kids!

INSURANCE REPORT

If you're considering retiring—You are facing a decision concerning the "Joint and Survivor" reduction of your monthly pension check allowing your spouse to continue to receive a portion after you are gone. Contact your council's field advisor for an objective evaluation of your choices. He will save money for both your and your wife.

Take advantage of your opportunities as a Knight, contact:

Tom Schreiner, LUTCF, FIC
725-6005
Knights of Columbus Insurance

NOTICE!

Committees are now being formed for all Council Activities. Choose a committee of interest to you, and give the Program Director Bob Sugzda, PGK, 851-9182; or the Chairman a call.

Membership Director:
Larry Kilmer, 686-4810

Fraternal/Community:
Barney Capriglione PGK 964-3143

Lecturer:
Steve Carr, 688-1683

Church/Right to Life:
John Huetz, 201-761-4965

Youth:
Marty Natale, 851-0692

Airport Chapel:
John Peters, 964-6869

Bingo:
Jules Pruszkowski PGK, 688-2846

Blood Bank:
Dominick Clementoni PGK, 688-3618

Ceremonials:
Bob Pfarr PGK, 964-1512

New Member Activities:
Mike Gasser PGK, 486-3141

Charity Raffle:
Tom Hornig PGK, 688-5867

Computer:
Fred Sloan, 851-9282

Digest:
Gary Hornig, 241-5689

Drug Awareness:
John Esposito, 688-1665

Food Bank:
Greg Blazinski, 688-6140

Servicemen:
John Pallitto, 688-4967

Special Olympics:
Mike Hrifko, 688-2863

Make A Wish:
Mike Hrifko, 688-2863

State Raffle:
Lou Farrone, 688-7011

Telephone:
Art Weber, 688-7269

June Winners

Paul Wisiak.....\$1400.00 Pts.
Fred Sandquis.....\$87.50 Pts.
Bob McGeorge Sr....\$87.50 Pts.
Dorothy M. Zurka.....\$87.50 Pts.
Brian Tavis.....87.50 Pts.

NEXT RAFFLE SEPTEMBER 11, 1993

Chaplain's Column

Rev. Leonard E. Dembow



In his book, "Gathering the Fragments: A Gospel Mosaic," Rev. Edward Farrell observes that "... Jesus spoke five times as often

about money and earthly possessions as about prayer. And everywhere in scripture we hear the warnings: money has power; wealth is addictive. Be careful, be on your guard. Does anyone fear wealth as much as poverty? Today such questions are coming not only from masteries and religious communities but from the lay people. "One only has to take a brief look at the headlines to see famine, hunger and starvation as major causes of death in so many places in our world. We, in this country, should thank God every day that by his grace we are where we are.

There is, however, suffering to be spoken to in the United States. I use the phrase spoken to and not spoken of since there must be an action to our notice of suffering. In the middle of our country due to the flooding of the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers and various tributaries, our brothers and sisters are suffering terribly, death claiming many. The costs are said to be in the billions of dollars. The personal heart-break and loss is incalculable. As I have done in my own parish, I urge you do donate to one of the organizations listed below to help abate the suffering of our own. I know there are many demands on your giving but I am sure that whatever is given will be greatly appreciated.

The American Red Cross
Disaster Relief Fund
P.O. Box 9140
Church St. Station
New York, N.Y.
800-842-2200

Caritas International
P.O. Box 21-0311
Woodhaven, N.Y. 11421
718-296-1613

Second Harvest
116 S. Michigan Ave.
Chicago, IL 60601
800-532-3663

Perhaps we can give up something that we would really want to have but don't really need and send the money saved as help to those in such desperate need.

Perhaps we can remember what Jesus told his disciples: "Anyone who wants to be great among you must be your servant . . . just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve."

DATES TO REMEMBER

Council Picnic

Saturday, September 11th

(Rain date Sunday, September 12th)

Good Food Beer Soda

Entertainment

Prices:

Advance:	Gate:		
Under 5	Free	Under 5	Free
5 to 17	\$6.00	5 to 17	\$8.00
Adults	\$8.00	Adults	\$10.00
Family	\$25.00		

NO FAMILY TICKETS AT GATE

Tickets will be on sale at the Gatehouse or call Jim Feehan -

964-8014 or

Joe Weber -851-9871

Also help support our Humanitarian Hunger Harvest and bring a can of food.

October 8th - Italian Night

Details to follow

New Year's Eve

Something special in the works.

Call Vinnie 687-9281

Columbian Club

Council 4504

Union, N.J.

RESOLUTION

1st Read, Council Mtg.

August 9, 1993

2nd Reard, Council Mtg.

August 23, 1993

Whereas the Columbian Club was organized to provide and maintain the House Facilities for the members of Union Council #4505, Knights of Columbus. And whereas in the interest of providing a healthy, safe and long lasting facility for our members, their family and friends, both now and in the future. Therefore be it resolved that the Columbian Club be authorized to expend \$37,475.00 in order to remove and replace the entire roof over our bar and banquet hall.

Michael Herrighty, Jr.
Columbian Club President
1993/1994

Past Grand Knight's Dinner Dance

Honoring

P.G.K. James O'Connell

Saturday, September 18, 1993

7 to 12

Cocktails, Dinner, Dancing,

and Open Bar

\$25.00 per person

Call: Mr. Barney Capriglione at

964-3143

CHINESE AUCTION

Friday, October 15, 1993

"A Christmas Fantasy"

Union Council Home 7 to 11

Donation \$5.00 per person

For info and tickets contact

Mr. Capp 964-3143

Humanitarian Hunger Harvest

This year we will be asking members to bring cans of food to different events all year in order to support our food drive.

Grand Knight continued

bring your family and friends along to play. In September, Saturday the 11th is our annual council picnic which is always alot of fun for the family. Also, Saturday the 18th is our PGK's dinner honoring Jim O'Connell. Lastly, take advantage of al the summer activities that the Columbian Club has planned for your enjoyment.

Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Congratulations to all the Newly Elected Officers:

Grand Knight: Ray Fluet
Deputy Grand Knight: Bob Wozniak
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