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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
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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:
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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

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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.

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