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BLOOD BANK

The following is a letter received from the Blood Center of New Jersey.

Union Council 4504:

Your organizations effort and the generosity of the people in your donor group are very much appreciated by the patients in the area hospitals who were the recipients of the blood collected at your drive at K of C Council 4504 on Sunday, November 23, 1997. Here are the results of that drive:

- # of Donors Expected 50
- # of Donors Registered 61
- # of Donors Postponed 4
- # of Donors Collected 57

Thank you again for your continuing assistance in this very important cause.

Our next Blood Drive will be June 27th from 11AM to 4PM.

IRELAND APRIL 25 - MAY 2,1998 (Saturday - Saturday)

Don't miss out! We have had an overwhelming response to our "Irish Spree",. One week fully escorted tour of Ireland hosted by the Columbian The cost is \$1,229.00 per person including roundtrip airfare, first class hotels, and most of your meals. Bus transportation will be provided to the airport on the day of departure and also the day of arrival. Please sign up as reservations are quickly by calling Vinnie lannuzzi at 908-687-9381 or call Rosemarie at Travel Planners of Springfield at 973-376-9490.



CONVENTION UPDATE

The tentative itinerary planned for the convention weekend is as follows:

- Breakfast Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Coffee, Juice and assorted cakes.
- Barbecue Saturday 12:30 PM.
- Children's Activities -Saturday Afternoon.
- Pool side Mass Saturday 4:30 PM
- DJ on the patio Saturday 7:30 PM until ?
 Finger food will be served.
- Midnight Toast Saturday
- Hospitality Room Thursday
 3:00 PM through breakfast on Sunday
- State Activities to be announced.

There will be a hospitality fee of \$25.00 per adult for 3 nights and \$22.00 per adult for 2 nights. A deposit of one nights lodging and your full hospitality fee will be required by April 1 to hold a room.

Please call me at 908-688-1676 to reserve your room. It is recommended that you reserve your room as soon as possible to insure your best accommodation.

Future updates will be posted in upcoming Digests.

Thanks, Rich Esposito

MARDI GRAS

Join us Saturday, February 21,1998 at our Mardi Gras Celebration. The tradition of merry making before a period of fast is an ancient Roman tradition. Let's enjoy a festive evening of fun, food, drink and music in this last Saturday before Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten season.

Attire is casual, although "Krewes" are invited to dress in costume. "Krewes" are groups with a common theme. For example, the "Krewes of Blue" would wear blue costumes. Use your imagination and let us know what your table or group "Krewes" theme will be. Remember, sequins, beads and feathers are a New Orleans Tradition.

Mardi Gras Night - \$40.00 per couple Saturday, February 21,1998; 8-12

DJ - Great Food - Open Bar Contact Clarence: 241-7710

Buster: 964-4010 John: 810-1283

Cutoff Date: February 15,1998

ATLANTIC CITY BUS

TRIP

Union Knights of Columbus bus trip to SHOWBOAT CASINO

Sunday, February 15
Leaving Council Hall at
10:30 AM
Cost of \$20.00 includes
sandwiches and soda on bus
and \$16.00 coin and \$3.00
food vouchers refunded by

Contact Nick larossi at 688-8941 for tickets.

casino.

Knight Digest

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Advocate	James Conlon
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Cla	rence Cunningham
Swim Club Pres	George Clark

MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon	Council Officers
2nd & 4th Mon.	Regular Meetings
3rd Mon	Swim Club
	4th Degree Officers
2nd Thurs	4th Degree Color Corps
	4th Degree Regular
4th Wed	Council Committees
4th Thurs	Columbian Club

FAMILY NIGHT OUT
Fish Fry
Fish, Chips & Music
MARCH 27, 1998
7 to 11 p.m.
Adults: \$8.00
Children under 12
\$5.00
Family: \$25.00

Family Consist of Member, A Guest and Children In same house.

For Tickets Call: Paul Weisenbacher At 688-2304

Grand Knight's Column

LARRY KILLMER

I often hear the older members chat about how things were vears ago. Members were enthusiastic about being members of **Knights** of the Columbus. I re-



member how we would run affairs and fund-raisers for members and their families who were in need. WE all worked hard and the events were supported and successful. You could walk around and feel the Charity, Unity and Fraternity among everyone—it filled the room.

Over the past several years, Council Officers meeting's consisted of discussions on how important it is to get new members included. It was important then, and now it is crucial. Officer's and Chairmen can only try to put affairs together for us to enjoy. As many of you are aware, we have had to cancel affairs due to lack of interest. Take a minute and think Union Council 4504 having over 1800 members and not being able to bring 10% of them together at every event.

Where Is Everyone????? We need your support!!!!! If someone has an idea or wants to chair a function, don't criticize him, help him with what he isn't familiar with, so he can get the job done. I am certain that many of you have heard this before This is your council and we need you. Union Council proud of members are their achievements and what they built. With many of our active Brothers having reached retirement age, we now face the challenge of continuing the commitment and dedication of these men with the assistance of some of the other members.

When other Councils were faced with this similar dilemma, they have had to take drastic measures such as restricting when the council would be opened or even as drastic as closing some of the facilities totally.

The Council home has fixed expenses such as insurance and electricity. These expenses are the

Chaplain's Column REV. ANTHONY NARDO

February, the second month of the year, takes its name from the Latin word for "purification".

The ancient Roman calendar had ten months,



March through December. (December means "tenth month.") There was no January and no February. These days were left off the calendar. Strange as it seems, people didn't feel the need to keep track of the days during winter.

The late winter period before March became a season, like Lent, of purification and renewal. When the Romans began using a 12 month calendar, the old names for the months continued to be used. The month before March got named for the season of purification.

The 25th of February is Ash Wednesday, beginning the season of Lent. Things to think about as we enter this time of spiritual purification are not only what things we are going to give up, but also what extra good things and deeds can we do during this time. Lent is a wonderful time of grace wherein God is at work in us to have us grow in His grace. The love of God be with you all.

HOLD THIS DATE MARCH 29, 1998 CHAMPAGNE BREAKFAST And AUCTION DETAILS WILL FOLLOW

same whether we have 50 people or 150 in attendance. The difference is it is very difficult to generate a profit at 50 people. We all need to take control of this situation before it controls us. Give it some thought Make suggestions...Donate a little of your time....Plan on a night out at your council...........Get involved... As we prepare for the Lenten Season let us pray and through him we can have Charity, Unity and Fraternity...

Fraternally yours:

Grand Knight, Larry Killmer

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH February 1998



Brother Michael Loguidice is a resident of Union for 15 years. Michael and his wife Dianne have been married for 21 years, and have two children, Michael III and Christina. Michael and his family are parishioners of Saint Michael's Church in Union.

Michael is an active member of our council and made his 3rd degree 8 years ago.

He cooked and served for his brother Knights every "Football" Sunday, along with his brother Knight Buster Rapke. Michael was also a member of the "Kitchen Crew" for the past two council picnics. He has worked for the Retarded Citizens Drive, food drives and gave a helping hand to Sister Ann for the Christmas Party. He also bartends on a regular schedule.

Michael attended Bloomfield Technical School and was a Diesel Mechanic for N.J. Transit for 18 years. He is currently employed by the Maintenance and Operations Department for the Union Township Board of Education.

In his spare time, Michael enjoys fishing, boating, and a good game of bocci or darts.

Union Council 4504 takes great pride in naming Brother Michael Loguidice as Knight of the Month for February 1998.

INSURANCE REPORT

Knights of Columbus cuts term life insurance rates!!

The Knights of Columbus has introduced a new term life insurance policy that is guaranteed renewable, convertible, and that will provide our members with a substantial amount of protection for a minimum cost.

NON-SMOKER INITIAL ANNUAL PREMIUM

POLICY			
AMOUNT	<u>AGE</u>	MALE	<u>FEMALE</u>
\$100,000	25	\$119	\$ 99
	30	\$120	\$109
	35	\$141	\$126
	40	\$191	\$168
	45	\$275	\$231
	50	\$394	\$308
\$250,000	25	\$247	\$202
	30	\$252	\$230
	35	\$302	\$267
	40	\$425	\$370
	45	\$627	\$522
	50	\$917	\$707
\$500,000	25	\$445	\$370
	30	\$450	\$420
	35	\$550	\$495
	40	\$785	\$690
	45	\$1185	\$98 5
	50	\$1745	\$1340

YES! I'm interested in finding out more about this new Low-Cost Term Life Insurance Plan from the Knights of Columbus.

Contact you K of C Agent: Rich Fuentes 908-925-9131 Knights of Columbus Insurance

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE

Saturday, February 14, 1997
Food, Fun, Music, Dancing
8P.M. till ???
\$18.00 per person
Chairman: Tony Ferraro
908-851-0797
732-777-1999

CALENDAR

February, 1998

2 MonCouncil Officers Meeting
7:45PM
6 Fri1st Friday Celebration @7:30PM
Mass for Victims of Abortion
9 MonCouncil Meeting 8:15PM
14 SatValentine Dinner Dance
15 SunDue-Digest Articles to Editor
Union County Federation
Communion Breakfast
16 MonSwim Club Board Meeting
21 Sat Mardi Gras Night
8PM - 12 Mid
23 MonCouncil Meeting 8:15PM
25 Wed Ash Wednesday
26 Thur Columbian Club Board Mtg
@7:30PM

March, 1998

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2 Mon Council Officers Meeting
7:45 PM
6 Fri1 st Friday Celebration @7:30PM
7 SatSt. Patrick's Dinner Dance
9 MonCouncil Meeting 8:15PM
14 SatUnion Council Parade
15 Sun.Due - Digest articles to Editor
16 MonSwim Club Board Meeting
17 TueSt. Patrick's Day
23 MonCouncil Meeting 8:15PM
26 ThurColumbian Club Board Mtg
@7:30PM

April, 1998

3Fri1 st Friday Celebration @7:30 PM 4 Sat Easter Egg Hunt at Council
12 Noon
5 SunEaster Egg Hunt - Rain Date
6 MonCouncil Officers Meeting
@7:45 PM
10 FriGood Friday
12 SunEaster
13 MonCouncil Meeting - 8:15 PM
15 Wed. Due-Digest articles to Editor
17 FriRetarded Citizens Drive
18 SatRetarded Citizens Drive
Western Night
19 SunRetarded Citizens Drive
20 MonSwim Club Board Meeting
23 ThurColumbian Club Board Mtg
@7:30PM
25 SatTrip to Ireland
27 MonCouncil Meeting - 8:15PM

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