



Knights Digest



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May 2022



Calendar of Events

May 5th..... Mass for Our Country
 May 8th..... Mother's Day
 May 9th..... Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 May 12-15thKnights Convention - Wildwood, NJ
 May 15th..... Blue Mass
 May 29th..... 2022 Summer of Charity
 May 30th..... Union Township Memorial Day Parade
 May 30th..... Pool Opening
 June 2nd..... Mass for Our Country
 June 13th..... Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 July 11th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 July 30th Dinner & "The Show"
 August 6th Baseball Outing

Dates are subject to change based on the status of the social distancing rules in effect.



SWIM CLUB - 2022

The Columbian Swim Club is on schedule to open on Memorial Day weekend. As mentioned in last month's digest the pool will not be a private membership pool for the 2022 season as we simply do not have the financial nor personnel resources to operate the pool in the manner accustomed. The pool will be opened to all residents of the Township of Union under a "pay as you go" facility.

The Swim Club board will remain an integral part in the management and decision making of all day to day operations and activities.

The pool will be opened Saturdays and Sundays only through June 26th . Beginning Monday June 27th the pool will be opened daily through Labor Day. Hours of operation will be 12pm to 7pm. Daily fees will be \$5 per person with children 2 years of age and under free. Children under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult and supervised at all times. Staff will be on site to manage these requirements.

Improvements to the facility have begun. The pool and kiddie pool (not the pool decks) are being resurfaced and repainted and the decorative tile within the pools are being repaired. Both pools will be painted. A select amount of new lounge chairs have been purchased, but we are encouraging all patrons to bring their own chairs. We continue to work to have the snack stand fully operational, but at minimum the stand will be available for soft drinks and snacks throughout the season. The return of the Swim team, swimming lessons and water aerobics classes are still being discussed.

We are looking forward to a Summer of Fun, with several events and activities planned. We will also have a very special guest joining us on Sunday June 26th. We will reveal our "Guest of Honor" in next month's digest.



The Swim Club Board



Father Kris of Holy Spirit Church will hold a Blue Mass on May 15th at 12 noon. This Mass honors all police, Firefighters and EMT personnel. Union first responders will be present.

All are welcomed to attend. JFK Color Corp this is a call out at Father's request. Muster will be at back of church at 11:30. Hope to see you there.

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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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Monthly Meetings

1st. Mon. ----- Council Officers
2nd Mon.----- Council Mtgs.
2nd Thu. ----- Columbiettes
4th Wed. ----- 4th Degree Assembly
4rd Thur. ----- Columbian Club

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Hello Brothers,



It's hard to believe there's only two months left in our Columbian year. We've had a very successful 10 months thus far and I have no doubt the next two will be even more so! We had a very successful breakfast with the Easter bunny and everyone is looking forward to getting back outside and hopefully going for a swim. I

want to thank all who have helped with our events and work parties. Of course the convention is coming up on the 12th-15th and I look forward to seeing all who are attending down in wildwood!

The most important holiday this month is definitely Mother's Day so I'd like to wish all of our mothers a very happy Mother's Day! Behind every good Knight is a mother steering us down the right path so make sure to make sure to make this day a special one.

Please also remember there is a food drive running constantly with a box at the inside bar, so please drop off any nonperishable food items at the council whenever you can.

Again brothers thank you for all you do and we still have officer positions open for the council, so please consider coming out and being an officer!

Happy Mother's Day again and vivat Jesus!
Phil Cababe GK

2022 SUMMER OF CHARITY

Throughout the Summer of 2022 the Columbian Club will be hosting several events, with the proceeds from these events being donated to various local and national charities.

One of the charities of focus throughout the Summer of 2022 will be “GUARDIAN ANGELS”. The Guardian Angels is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization that is dedicated to rescuing, raising, training and donating medical service dogs to provide relief, assistance, independence and dignity to our U.S. Veterans who are suffering and/or are recovering from Post-Traumatic Stress (PTS), Traumatic Brain Injuries and chemical dependencies. Through our efforts and the events planned for the Summer of 2022 the Knights of Columbus Council #4504 and the Columbian Club will be sponsoring a dog to “Unleash the Power of Heal” for a special U.S. Veteran. Full details of The Columbian Club’s commitment to this charity will be shared in the coming weeks.

Our first event for 2022 will take place on Sunday **May 29th** (7pm to 10pm) when we will be hosting Union’s own “The Mylars.” Maybe you have purchased one of their albums, or remember seeing them in person when they opened for Rick Springfield during his 2018 tour, whatever the case please come join us on May 29th (7pm to 10pm) in our picnic grove for a night of rock-n-roll 1970’s and 1980’s style.

Tickets are \$25 per person and are available on EventBrite.com.

(Rain date June 26th)



Knight of the Month

May 2022



Leonard Joseph Komar Jr.



Leonard Joseph Komar Jr. is a very charismatic/charitable man, and his integrity are just a few traits that define him. Upon meeting Leonard one will realize a couple of distinctions between him and everyone else; the first being his selflessness and the second, his passion. Len, loves to see achievement and progress, even if it’s not his own success. He’ll do anything he can to make someone else’s

dream become a reality and he takes a lot of pride in seeing people happy.

We here at Council 4504 can testify to these words as we have seen Len volunteer and participate in a wide range of activities at the Council. He is not a person who is noticed because of his mouth, but because of his actions which he does without any fanfare. In his personal time, Len volunteers with multiple nonprofit organizations. He applies his passion and skills to make the impossible a reality in each one. He always throws everything he has into his work even if it means doing late-night research on a work night. Len also assists many nonprofits organizations of which he is not a member. Len devotes his time and efforts just to make sure their events work out as expected. To achieve his goals this usually involves him taking vacation days and driving long distances.

Leonard is a member of Holy Spirit Church where he is a Eucharistic minister and member of the Parish Council. Len is the father of his son Leonard Raymond and his daughter Kelly Rose, who also volunteers her time as well.

We at Union 4504, are also proud and honored to have a brother of such caliber in our midst exemplary, respectful, self-motivated, unselfish, and therefore, we have the utmost pleasure in acknowledging Leonard Joseph Komar Jr., as Knight of the Month, May 2022.

Baseball Outing

Council 4504 is planning a fundraiser trip to see the Somerset Patriots on Saturday, August 6th, 2022 with the first pitch at 7:05 PM. The Somerset Patriots (New York Yankees Double-A team) will be playing the Binghamton Ponies (New York Mets Double-A team).

The cost will be \$40, with a portion going to our Charitable Account. This includes a pre-game barbeque from 6 - 7:30 PM. The Grove area has seating for 300 guests. The menu consists of hamburgers with the fixings, Pulled Pork, Macaroni Salad, Cole Slaw, chips, soft drinks, and cookies. All you can eat for 90 minutes. A 10% discount will also be given to be used at the gift shop. The Stadium will also display our council on the Message Board.

After the nine-inning game, there will be fireworks. A \$20 deposit is needed now, with the balance due before June 1st.

Please contact Mike Peter at dd18kofcmwp@gmail.com

Transportation

By Car -1 Patriots Park Bridgewater Township NJ 08807 Parking fee \$5.00

By NJ Transit - The Raritan Valley Line to Bridgewater Station which is located within the TD Bank Ballpark Complex.

Hope to see you there for a great evening of baseball with brothers, family, and friends.



Family Dinners

The Knights of Columbus Council 4504 and the Columbiettes host a monthly dinner night on the 3rd Thursday of each month from September to June. All money raised will be donated to charity!

The next scheduled Family Dinner is **Thursday, May 19, 2022.**

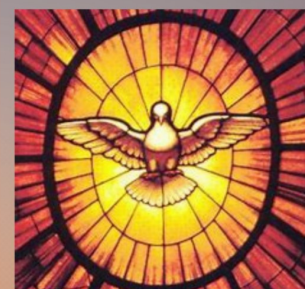
The cost is \$9.00 for seniors and \$11.00 for others. Reservations are required by calling Pat Wittek at 908-964-3989 by the Monday before the third Thursday of the month.



PATRIOTIC ROSARY - 7:00 PM
HOLY MASS - 7:30 PM

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TO COME TOGETHER
AND PRAY FOR GOD'S
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COUNTRY

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2021

SEPTEMBER 2
OCTOBER 7
NOVEMBER 4
DECEMBER 2

2022

JANUARY 6
FEBRUARY 3
MARCH 3
APRIL 7

MAY 5

JUNE 2



Live Entertainment
Oldies But Goodies
The 4 Tops
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Tina Turner
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Lionel Richie

DINNER & "THE SHOW" Presented By....
The COLUMBIAN CLUB of Union
1034 Jeanette Avenue
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July 30th 2022 / 7PM-10PM
\$60 Per Couple / \$35 Per Individual
\$20 Under 12 Years Old



Italian *Family Style* *Catered Dinner*

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cancelled or rescheduled

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SK Tony Oliviero Faith Navigator welcomes 4 Sir Knights to the JFK Assembly. SK Angel Rengifo, SK Mathis Ologbosele, SK John Ackon and SK Edmond Phillips. Congratulations to Honoree Worthy State Deputy James Strover and all 83 new Sir Knights at the April exemplification.



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