



Knights Digest



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May 2024



Calendar of Events 2024

May 5th Cinco de Mayo
 May 10th Convention balance due in full
 May 12th Mother's Day
 May 13th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 May 17-19th Wildwood Convention
 May 18th Armed Forces Day
 May 19th Pentecost Sunday
 May 27th Memorial Day
 June 8th IDD - Both Churches, All Masses
 June 8th Pig Roast 3 PM
 June 9th IDD - Both Churches, All Masses
 June 10th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 June 14th Flag Day
 June 16th Father's Day
 July 4th Independence Day
 July 8th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 August 12th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 September 9th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 October 14th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 November 11th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 December 9th Council Meeting 8:10 PM

Dates are subject to change. Refer to our website for the latest information:

<https://www.kofc4504.org/events>

Thank You The Council would like to thank all who volunteered for the Knights of Columbus Intellectual Disabilities Drive. With all who had assisted we were able to collect that one dollar more, which actually was about 33% more.

Looks like we will be able to donate a little bit more to Community Access Unlimited, ARC, Camp Fatima and Inroads Opportunities. If you might be interested in volunteering at the Special Olympics during the summer, we will get information at the New Jersey State Convention.



Intellectual Disabilities Drive



There are two scheduled weekend drives at both Holy Spirit and St. Michael's churches for all masses.

Saturday, June 8th
Sunday, June 9th

Volunteers are needed to help collect at each mass. Please add these dates to your calendar and contact Mike Peter at 908-357-5673 or email him at dd18kofcmwp@gmail.com if you can assist.



Knights and 4th Degree Apparel

<https://www.storessimple.com/creativewonders/unioncouncil>

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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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Knight Digest Editor
549 Robinson Ter.
Union, NJ 07083

or preferably via email to: tomdudek@outlook.com

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

Chaplain..... Rev. Msgr. Anselm Nwaorgu
District Deputy..... Michael Willemse, PGK
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Deputy Grand Knight Vacant
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Recorder.....Mike Harms
Treasurer Greg Jones
Fin. Secretary..... Steve Nagy PGK PFN
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Program Director.....Mike Peter, DD, PGK
Lecturer..... Raymond Gora
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4th Degree Faithful
Navigator Raymond Gora
Columbian Club President Joe Marateo
Swim Club PresidentMike Harms
Columbiette President Fran Corcione

Monthly Meetings

1st. Mon. ----- Council Officers 8pm
 2nd Mon.----- Council Mtgs. 8:10pm
 2nd Thu. ----- Columbiettes 7pm
 4th Wed. ----- 4th Degree Assembly 7:30pm
 4rd Thur. -----Columbian Club Officers 8pm

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT



Brother Knights,

As we embrace May, a time of tribute to our cherished mothers, we extend heartfelt thanks to the women who stand by us. Many mothers support the men in their lives with unwavering support that sustains us through the tasks and challenges in life. We offer our deepest gratitude and appreciation to all the incredible mothers in our lives.

Last month's digest mentioned our annual convention is quickly approaching. This yearly event is set to take place in Wildwood from the 17th to the 19th of May at the Wildwood Convention Center, promising two days filled with camaraderie, leisure, and shared experiences. Having attended the convention with Council 4504 for many years at the Adventurer Hotel, I am deeply honored to represent our council again among fellow brothers. To all those who have registered for the convention in Wildwood, may we come together and enjoy this opportunity to gather in a welcoming and relaxed atmosphere.

May blessings be given to all of us as we continue our collective efforts toward the betterment of our members and community. As Knights, we continue in our commitment to aiding the less fortunate and compassionately serving our church and community.

The Nominating Committee is pleased to present the slate of Officers for the forthcoming year of 2023-2024:

Nominating Committee Chairman: Phillip Cababe, PGK
 Committee Members: John Bashaw, Bill Young, Dennis Mann, and Buddy Cotter.

Grand Knight: Vacant
 Deputy Grand Knight: Vacant
 Chancellor: Roberto Lopez

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Warden:Joe Smela
Recorder:Michael Harms
Treasurer:Greg Jones
Financial Secretary:Steve Nagy, PGK
Inside Guard:Romeo Puertollano
Outside Guard:Dante Tiago
Membership Director:Vacant
Program Director:Micheal Peter DD, PGK
Lecturer:Raymond Gora
Advocate:Stephen Hehl
3rd Year Trustee:Gerry Aponte, PGK
2nd Year Trustee:Phillip Cababe, PGK
1st Year Trustee:Giftus John, PGK

If you have yet to remit your 2024 Council Dues, we kindly request that you submit them to our Financial Secretary. We are issuing Third Dues Notices to members still outstanding in their 2024 dues payments.

Should you encounter any challenges or have inquiries regarding your dues, please do not hesitate to contact our Financial Secretary, Steve Nagy, PGK, at toys4504@aol.com. Your cooperation in addressing this critical Council matter is greatly appreciated.

Vivat Jesus

Gerry Aponte
Grand Knight



Anna Jarvis Turns Mother's Day Into a National Holiday

The official Mother's Day holiday arose in the 1900s as a result of the efforts of Anna Jarvis, daughter of Ann Reeves Jarvis. Following her mother's 1905 death, Anna Jarvis conceived of Mother's Day as a way of honoring the sacrifices mothers made for their children.

After gaining financial backing from a Philadelphia department store owner named John Wanamaker, in May 1908 she organized the first official Mother's Day celebration at a Methodist church in Grafton, West Virginia. That same day also saw thousands of people attend a Mother's Day event at one of Wanamaker's retail stores in Philadelphia.

Following the success of her first Mother's Day, Jarvis—who remained unmarried and childless her whole life resolved to see her holiday added to the national calendar. Arguing that American holidays were biased toward male achievements, she started a massive letter writing campaign to newspapers and prominent politicians urging the adoption of a special day honoring motherhood.

By 1912 many states, towns and churches had adopted Mother's Day as an annual holiday, and Jarvis had established the Mother's Day International Association to help promote her cause. Her persistence paid off in 1914 when President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure officially establishing the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day.

(History.com)



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UNION COUNCIL 4504

2024 WILDWOOD CONVENTION MAY 17-19, 2024



FREE PARKING

Free outdoor and garage parking available at the hotel. (One car per room.)



COMPLIMENTARY BREAKFAST

Free breakfast in the hotel restaurant for each guest.



PIZZA NIGHT

Pizza night Friday evening in the hospitality room.



CONVENTION HOURS

5/17 10AM-1PM
5/18 10AM-2PM

RATES:

For 2 Guests
4 nights (Wednesday - Sunday) \$610.00
3 nights (Thursday - Sunday) \$475.00
2 nights (Friday - Sunday) \$363.00

Hospitality Room Fee- \$75 per guest

ADDITIONAL GUESTS

\$15.00 per night

ROOM UPGRADES

3 Room Suites: +35 per night
 4 Rooms Suites: +50 per night

Notes



Deposits needed by February 8th.



Deposits will not be refund after April 1st.

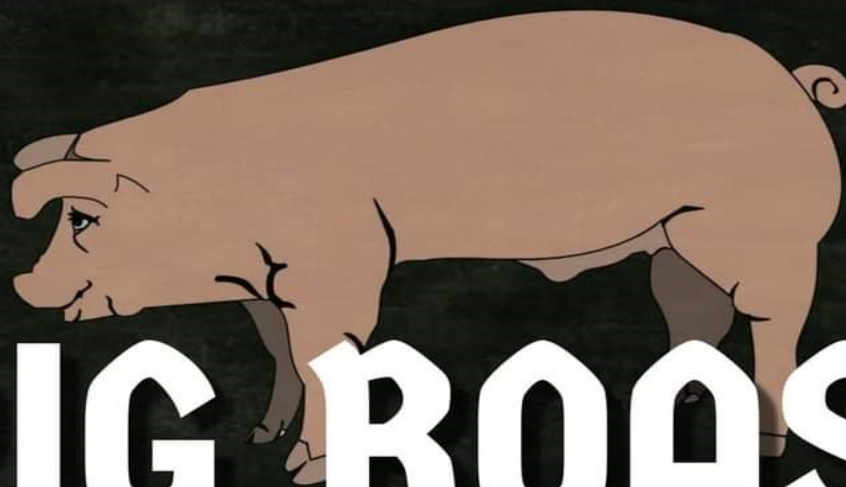


Full balance due by May 10, 2024.

For Reservations Contact:
 Gerry Aponte
 (732) 599-4806



The Adventurer Inn
 5401 Ocean Avenue,
 Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260



PIG ROAST



SATURDAY
June 8th 2024



Serving Begins at 3:00PM

The Columbian Club of Union
1034 Jeanette Ave., Union

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Tickets

\$30 Adults

\$15 Children 12 to 4 (3 and under free)

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Includes:

**Smoked Pork, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Macaroni Salad, Corn on the Cob,
Draft Beer & Soda**

Questions / Info Contact:

Alex Rivera @ 908.410.2704 / John Bashaw @ 908.212.1593



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12 	13 Council Mtg 8:10 PM	14	15	16	17	18 Armed Forces Day
19 	20	21	22 4th Degree Assembly Meeting 7:30 PM	23 Columbian Club Officer's Meeting	24	25
26	27 	28	29	30	31	