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Upcoming Events

Bowling League

Any new or current member interested in bowling on the Council Bowling League should contact Jim Bayer at 908-687-4989 or email at jasper56@comcast.net. The league bowls at Linden Lanes and will begin in September.

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2009 Seaside Summer Slam

Date: August 8,2009 Time: 7:00 PM to Midnight Featuring the famous "Cameo's Oldies group" Location: Council's Outdoor Patio Rain Location: Council Hall Cost: \$25.00 per person includes: Tap & Canned Beer, Wine, soda and Boardwalkstyle sandwiches. Hamburgers, Hot dogs, Sausage and Cheese Steaks will be served from

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Advanced ticket sales only! No tickets sold at the door

Call:

Chairman Bob Calderone at 908 337-2504 Co-chairman Mike Scanlon at 908 578-8768 Co-chairman Mike Panella at 201 978-8551

Knight Digest

The Council currently prints and mails about 1900 Knight Digests each month at a cost of over \$7,000 per year. Recent changes in the postal requirements could increase that cost to over \$10,000. In an effort to reduce printing and mailing costs, the Council will gradually be converting to a digital format. Currently, the Digest is available on the Council website, www.kofc4504.org.

Over the summer, the digest can be e-mailed to those who provide an email address. Persons who still wish to receive a paper copy of the Digest in the mail after September must reply by mail to The Knights of Columbus, 1034 Jeanette Ave, Union NJ 07083, ATTN: Frank Santangelo. Please include your name and mailing address, or e-mail address, with your reply. Copies of the digest will also be available at the Council hall. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

There is no Knight Digest published in August. For up to date information about events taking place at Council 4504, visit the web site at www.kofc4504.org. Enjoy the Summer!

Knight Digest

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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:

Tom Dudek Knight Digest Editor 1034 Jeanette Avenue Union, NJ 07083

or via email to: tomdudek@att.net. 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

District DeputyLaw	rence Killmer, PGK
Grand Knight	Rob Salvatore
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Warden	Kyle Wiklanski
Recorder	Steve Nagy
Treasurer	Frank Santangelo
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Program Director	Position Open
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2nd Yr. Trustee	Tom Conte
1st Yr. Trustee	Buddy Cotter, PGK
Columbian Club President	Kevin Connors
Swim Club President	Steve Ruhl
Columbiette President	Christine Burlew

Monthly Meetings

1st. MonCouncil Officers
2nd & 4th Mon Council
3rd Mon Swim Club
1st Wed 4th Degree Officers
2nd Thu4th Degree Corps
3rd WedAssembly
4th Thu Columbian Club

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

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"But he's got High Hopes, He's got High Hopes, He's got high apple pie, in the sky hopes"

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F. Sinatra



And so it begins Brothers, As I start my term as Grand Knight, I am as excited as I am nervous. I do have high hopes for this Council, as we start the new Columbian year.

Whenever it stops raining, I hope you all are enjoying the sum-

mer so far, and have had a chance to come down to the club, to either enjoy the pool, relax at the picnic grove, or just come down for "Family Sunday", as the Columbian Club has a DJ every Sunday over the summer.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the recent Columbian Club President Jamie Zappulla for all his time, hard work and dedication to the club, and "PGK" Mike Peter for all of his time, dedication, and leadership to the Council, as much as his advice to me.

A few reminders for summer events:

Aug. 8th - Columbian Club Presents " SummerSlam" - contact chairman - Bob Calderone at908-337-2504

Aug. 14th - Installation of new officers

Sept. 12th - Annual Council Family Picnic - Contact Chairman Harry Lupo at 908-577-6609

Sept 26th - Past Grand Knights Dinner to Honor Mike Peter

Oct. 10th - We are having an Italian Feast in conjunction with Columbus Day weekend. Anyone interested in helping plan and coordinate, please let me know.

For more information on these events, please visit the Council website at: www.kofc4504.org

Also, Any Brother who is interested in becoming a Fourth Degree member, please contact Faithful Navigator John J McEvoy at 908-964-1842.

Any Brother who still wants a paper copy of the Knight Digest in the mail, after September, please reply to the club address ATTN: Frank Santangelo, We are trying to reduce printing and mailing costs.

Brothers, enjoy the summer, to any new or "lost" members... come back ... our council doors are open to you, and to any new ideas or time you can contribute.

I am always open to any ideas, questions, or comments. Email me at Salv12@comcast.net or call me at 732-522-0240.

Thank You - See You in September!!



Rob Salvatore - Grand Knight

4TH DEGREE - JFK ASSEMBLY

Sir Knights

At the June 24th meeting, new officers for the 2009/10 term will be elected. Please make an effort to attend. A potential slate of officers has been developed. Others interested may be nominated "off the floor."

This will be our last meeting before the summer break. We will meet again in September.

The remaining meetings for 2009 are on the fourth Wednesday of each month: September 23, October 28, November 25, and December 23.

Mike Hrifko, 'Make-a-Wish Mike,' needs our prayers. Mike, who probably has done more than the rest of us combined to help the Make-a-Wish Foundation, is now battling his own extremely serious health problem. Please pray for him.

If you would care to explore becoming a 4th Degree member, please speak to any current member.

John J. McEvoy Faithful Navigator Ph: 908 964 1842



If anyone is interested in purchasing any Knights of Columbus shirts and or other merchandise with the 50th Anniversary or just the Knights of Columbus embroidered may contact Mike Peter at 908-499-1162. I will

also be taking orders at the next Council meeting.

Irish American Society Annual Family Picnic

The Irish American Society of Union will be hosting their annual Family Picnic on Sunday August 9th from 2pm – 7pm at the Knights of Columbus picnic grounds, 1034 Jeanette Avenue, Union NJ.

Admission is \$15.00 per person. Children under 12 years old are free. Admission includes: entertainment, food, beer, wine and soda. Cash bar available.

Admission to pool available for a minimal fee

SPECIAL FEATURE THIS YEAR, AMERICAN GOLD BUYERS. BRING YOUR GOLD AND GET CASH BACK.

For more information, please call Karen Caulfield at 908-687-8613 or Kathleen Holmes at 908-687-7642.

It is imperative that you RSVP for both events no later then August 2, 2009.

ANNUITY INTEREST RATE ALERT!

The current interest rate for Knights of Columbus Annuities is **3.75%** for \$10,000 or more and **3.50%** for lesser amounts, guaranteed to March 30, 2010.

This interest rate is available for new deposits and rollovers received by **June 30, 2009**, at which time, the rate will be reviewed by K. of C. Supreme Directors and could decrease or remain the same.

This alert is being forwarded to members because Supreme Knight Carl Anderson is very concerned about our members and their spouses having lost a considerable amount of their retirement funds due to falling mutual funds or very low CD rates.

The Knights of Columbus annuity is GUARANTEED, and there are no **fees or expenses charges**. It is tax deferred and available to both member and spouse. It can be set- up as an **IRA**, **ROTH IRA**, **401K Rollover**, **403B Rollover** or a nonqualified plan.

(NO CHARGE for rollovers or transfers!)

Please take a look at your financial portfolio and consider putting your retirement nest egg with the Knights of Columbus to **STOP THE BLEEDING!!**

★ S&P 500 -10 year return = 3.51%
★ KofC annuity 10 year return = 5.05%

AM Best - A++ Standard and Poors - AAA

Please call Field Agent *Rich Fuentes* at (908) 437-0310 as soon as possible to lock in your rate and enroll in our annuity program.



It is almost 6 months since the induction of the Columbiettes of Union Council 4504; we have risen to a membership of 75 remarkable women. Each one of us is an important part of the organization. We each add a unique quality to the union, which makes us a lively team. We are all in this for the same purpose and goal and

united in Sisterhood for faith, hope, charity and each other.

The Columbiettes would like to thank everyone who helped and supported us with our formation, especially Grand Knight Mike Peter who had the confidence and belief to take the risk and give his consent for the installation of the Columbiettes. Mike, we thank you for helping us every step of the way; we could not have done it without you. We wish you well and will remember you always as our first Grand Knight.

Best wishes to all the new officers of the Council, Columbian Club and Swim Club, we look forward to working together and enhancing Council 4504.

Christine Burlew Columbiette President

