



Knight Digest



Vol. 56 NO. 10

www.kofc4504.org

June 2015

Calendar of Events

June

June 13th Dinner to Honor Tom Hornig
June 16th Glendale Pizza

July

July 6th Fluke Fishing Trip
July 11th Monmouth Park Race Track

August

August 1st Lobster Festival



INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES DRIVE

On **June 16, 2015** we will be at Glendale Pizza also on Stuyvesant Ave from 6pm To 9pm and they also will donate a percentage of the proceeds.



RIBS RIBS RIBS

Coming this summer: A new, Never before tried,
BBQ RIBS COOK OFF

Presented by the Columbian Club of Union

To be held during the month of August
Details will follow. Dust off the smokers.
Find the ol' recipe and get ready to cook.
Tom Walsh

KNIGHTS FAMILY DINNERS

Thursday, June 18, 2015

Council Hall: 1034 Jeanette Ave. Union, NJ
Time: 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

ANNUAL FLUKE FISHING TRIP

Monday, July 6th, 2015 7:30 AM Sharp

The Misty Morn is located on the southwestern shore of the Raritan Bay, close to the Turnpike and Parkway. A perfect choice when coming from northern New Jersey, saving over 50 miles of shore and beach traffic.

\$65 Per Person

\$50 for Kids (16 and under)

Price includes

Pole Rental

Bait

Tip and

Beer, Water, Soda while it lasts

For information and to reserve a spot
Contact Joe Harbison: 908-265-2947

Email: joehbison@aol.com



COUNCIL ELECTIONS—JUNE 8, 2015

Grand Knight - Greg Henn
Deputy Grand Knight - Giftus John
Chancellor - Michal Willemse
Warden -Robert Genovese
Recorder - David Wozniak
Treasurer - Steve Nagy PGK
Inside Guard - Thomas Hornig PGK
Outside Guard - Kris Cancellier
Trustee (2 Year) - Andy Schopfer PGK
Trustee (3 Year) - Michael Pete PGK
Advocate - Stephen Hehl

Knights Digest

This bulletin is published monthly, by and in the interest of the Knights of Columbus Union Council 4504 and registered as third class matter April 23, 1958, at the Union Post Office, Union, NJ.

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 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. Ranulfo D. Docabo
District Deputy..... Alex Costa, PGK
Grand Knight Ed McCormick
Deputy Grand Knight..... Greg Henn
Chancellor..... Giftus John
Warden Michael Willemse
Recorder..... Kevin Gongob
Treasurer..... Frank Santangelo
Fin. Secretary..... Thomas Hornig, PGK
Inside Guard..... Paul Willemse
Outside Guard..... Rob Genovese
Membership Director..... Nick Belemonte
Program Director..... Mike Peter, PGK
Advocate..... Stephen F. Hehl
3rd. Yr. Trustee Steve Nagy, PGK
2nd Yr. Trustee Joseph Burlew, PGK
1st Yr. Trustee Andy Schopfer PGK
4th Degree Faithful
Navigator..... Andy Schopfer, PGK
Columbian Club
President Allen Pascullo
Swim Club President..... Joe Marateo, PGK
Columbiette President..... Bernadette Watson

Monthly Meetings

1st. Mon. ----- Council Officers
2nd & 4th Mon. ----- Council Mtgs.
3rd Mon. ----- Swim Club
4th Wed.----- 4th Degree Assembly
4th Thu. ----- Columbian Club

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

My Brother Knights at the Union Knights of Columbus,

It is hard to believe that a year has already gone by and my tenure as Grand Knight will end when this month does. This is my last Grand Knight's message. I would like to thank my fellow officers and brothers who helped to make this last Columbian year the success that it was.

Union council was presented with a membership award at this year's NJ State Convention. We were presented the award for achieving the highest percentage of our membership goal of any large council in the State. We are the largest Council in New Jersey and were given a goal of bringing in 35 new members. We added 22 brothers to our ranks between July 1, 2014 and April 10, 2015, achieving 67% of our goal. This shows that Union Council is alive and well. I was honored to accept this award on behalf of your council.

Our Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities fund drive continued to do well. We still have many events coming to raise money for our CID fund. Please come out and support those local businesses which support us in our efforts.

Union Council was well represented in the St. Patrick's Day and Memorial Day parades. Our standing in the community has improved over the last year.

We are hosting 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees in the month of June. I urge all you third degree brothers to come out for the ceremonies. I urge any 1st or 2nd degree brothers to come and complete your degrees.

The relationship between the Knights and Columbiettes of Union has become closer over the past year. Please continue the momentum that has been started.

This past year has not been without its challenges for me on both a personal and fraternal level but I would not trade a minute of it. I can look back on this past year and say that I left Union Council better than I found it, which is the goal of every Grand Knight.

I will be taking on my next challenge when I become the Financial Secretary of Union Council. I have very large shoes to fill in succeeding Tom Hornig, PGK who is retiring as Financial Secretary after 18 years of service in the position. I ask for your support in my new position.

I joined Union Council in 1975, following in my father's footsteps. Never in wildest dreams did I think I would be Grand Knight of this Council. I know that my long deceased father is smiling down with pride. It has been an honor and privilege to have served as Grand Knight of Union Council and I thank you all for the support you have given me.

Vivat Jesus
Ed McCormick



TO ALL 3RD DEGREE MEMBERS ...

I am calling out for the Council Columbian Year of 2015-2016 for a few good men to assist in Church Council Youth Community and Right to Life Programs.

You can reach me at mikepeter4275@gmail.com or phone (908)759-3588 if you have any questions.

Thank you,
PGK Michael Peter, Program Director

DINNER TO HONOR THOMAS HORNIG PGK / FINANCIAL SECRETARY

When the 2014-15 Columbian Year comes to an end this June 30th, Tom Hornig PGK will be ending his sixth consecutive three year term as the Financial Secretary for the Union Knights of Columbus. Yes, Tom has been our Financial Secretary for the past 18 years after he took the job over from Frank Dickerson PGK back in August 1997. The Union Council will hold a Dinner to Honor Tom's hard work and dedication to our Council for not only his 18 years as Financial Secretary but the years leading up to them and during his tenure as Grand Knight and other Council positions.

The Dinner will be held on **Saturday June 13, 2015**, and evening will begin at 7 P.M. with a Cocktail Hour featuring a delectable assortment of hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dancing and an open bar. Tickets for the evening's festivities are only \$60.00 a couple (\$30.00 for a single). Reservations are requested by Monday, June 1, 2015.

We hope to bring together as many of our Past Grand Knights and other Brother Knights to show Tom our thanks for all his years of Service to us and the Union Knights of Columbus.

Please help us make this a memorable night in Council History. Call Buddy Cotter, PGK @973-722-5655, or Steve Nagy @908-688-6783

Please RSVP by Monday, June 1, 2015.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

JUNE 2015

Tom Walsh



Tom joined the Knights of Columbus in 1992. He made his Fourth Degree on April 23, 2006. Tom graduated St. Benedict's Prep in Newark, NJ in 1966 and served in the U.S. Navy from 1967 to 1971. He retired from the auto industry in 2012.

His family includes his wife Carol of 38 years, sons Thomas Jr. and Daniel (both council members) and a daughter Jennifer. Tom and his family have lived in Union for 30 years. He is a member of St. Michael's Parish in Union. He has served on their Pre-Cana Team for 15 years and is presently a Eucharistic Minister.

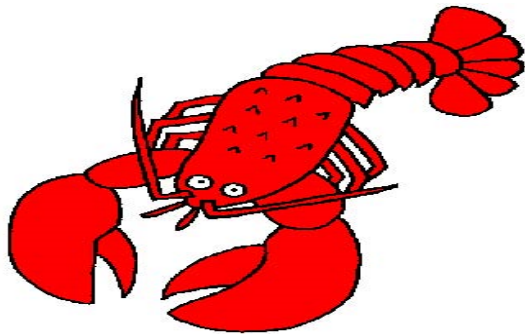
He runs the annual Chili Cook Off and this summer will host the new BBQ Ribs contest. He has also chaired several food drives. This spring, as his health improved, Tom participated in the work parties helping to get the picnic grove ready for all to enjoy. Most recently he took part in the annual Special Citizens Drive at St. Michael's during the 9, 10:30 and 12 noon masses.



Lobster Festival

2nd Annual

On The Patio



Saturday August 1st, 2015
2-6 pm

**For those of you who came last
year it was a very good time
and a wonderful success**

**Keep this date on your calendar and the
specific details will be provided soon**

Knights of Columbus
1034 Jeanette Ave
Union, NJ 07083

SAVE THE DATE



**Annual Knights Picnic at the beautiful
Monmouth Park Race Track**

Saturday, July 11, 2015



Andy Schopfer, Steve Nagy and Len Komar participate in the laying of the wreath on Memorial Day at Veterans Park



\$\$ SAVE MONEY \$\$

The Columbian Swim Club is now offering you the ability to save \$50.00 off of your next year's family membership dues. If you refer a new family this year to the pool and they join, we will deduct \$50.00 off your 2016 swim club dues. This is a great incentive to save some money and share our facility with your friends.

For further details contact any of our swim club board members or contact Jim Ford at jford1488@comcast.net.



Memorial Day Parade 2015



Knights of Columbus
COUNCIL 4504
 1034 Jeanette Avenue
 Union, NJ 07083



NON-PROFIT ORG.
 U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
 UNION, N.J.
PERMIT NO. 37

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



June 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Council Officers Mtg.	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Council Mtg. 8:15p	9	10	11	12	13 Dinner to honor Tom Hornig
14	15 Swim Club Mtg.	16 Glendale Pizza Fundraiser	17	18	19	20
21	22 Council Mtg. 8:15p	23	24 4th Degree Assembly	25 Columbian Club	26	27
28	29	30				