



Knight Digest



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October 2020

Calendar of Events

October 10thPast Grand Knight's Dinner 7 PM
 October 11th Tailgate Party
 October 12th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 October 15thKnight's Family Dinner
 October 16thOctoberfest 6-10 PM
 October 17th Cornhole Tournament 12-6 PM
 October 26th Council Meeting 8:10 PM
 October 31st..... Halloween Party 3-5 PM
 April 17th.....Tricky Tray
 TBD..... Western Night

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

Knight's Family Dinner

The next Family Dinner will take place on Thursday October 15th. Diner will again be take-out. \$9 a dinner and Reservations are requested. Please call Pat Whittek at 908-964-3989 to reserve your dinner.

Dinners can be picked up at the kitchen door at 6:30 pm for take-out or dine inside with social restrictions. Enjoy the dinner, company and conversations. Please social distancing is still required.



Past Grand Knight's Dinner



The Union Knights of Columbus Council # 4504 will be holding its Past Grand Knight's Dinner on Saturday October 10, 2020 to honor David Wozniak, Grand Knight for 2019 – 2020. This dinner will be to recognize David for all his hard work and dedication to our Council during his tenure as Grand Knight.

The evening will begin at 7 P.M. with a Cocktail Hour followed by presentations to our Past Grand Knight, dinner, music and an open bar. Tickets for the evening's festivities can be purchased at the bar.

\$60.00 a couple (\$30.00 for a single).

Come on out and enjoy the evening.

Call Len Komar, GK @ 908-436-8143 or

Phillip Cababe, DGK @ 908-858-0980

Thank You

TRICKY TRAY



The Union Columbiettes will host a Tricky Tray at the Council Hall on Saturday April 17, 2021. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Limited tickets are available please contact Diana Lupo at 908-577-6606. Donations accepted.

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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.

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4th Degree Faithful
Navigator Steve Nagy III, PGK
Columbian Club President Alex Rivera
Swim Club President Andy Schopfer, PGK
Columbiette President Fran Corcione

Monthly Meetings

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

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Brothers All,



Another summer has come and gone, and here we are already in October. Summer 2020 was an experience unlike any other. Yet while following the seemingly ever-changing state Covid restrictions and guidelines, we still managed to return to some normalcy. Last month In-person monthly meetings are once again resumed for the Columbiettes, the Council and the JFK Assembly. The Hall rentals have resumed for smaller groups to comply with state restrictions. 4504 held two exemptions welcoming new Brother Knights into the Council. Family Dinners have been adapted with takeout or dine in on the patio options, and we ended the summer with our Annual Family Barbeque, which was a rousing success. It just goes to show you that with the right group of people, anything is possible no matter what obstacles present themselves.

Even though summer has drawn to a close, it doesn't mean activities at the council will stop; there is a full line up of event planned for October. The Columbian Club will host a Tailgate party on October 11th. On October 17th, there will be a Cornhole Tournament in memory of Luisa M. Gonzalez, benefiting the American Cancer Society and Good-Grief.org. On October 16th, the Council will hold its first-ever Oktoberfest, and Columbiettes and Council will be hosting a Children's Halloween party on Halloween Saturday, October 31st. As with all the summer activities and events, the October events will all be held while following the proper safety protocols. Please consider coming out to support not only the Council but some wonderful charity organizations.

I'd like to make a brief announcement about a cause that I hold dear. I know some of you are probably tired of hearing me talk about Wreaths Across America. For those who have never heard of it, Wreaths Across America is a nationwide organization that coordinates a ceremony every December to place wreaths on the graves of veterans. This year will be the JFK Assembly's fifth year of participating in the program and ensuring that the American heroes interred at the cemetery alongside First Presbyterian Church in Elizabeth are remembered and recognized during the Christmas season. The graves at this cemetery date back to

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the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, and the Civil War. It has been a privilege to return year after year to see the resting places of the men and women who helped to shape our country being honored and knowing that if not for this program, they would have been forgotten. That is why I am so proud to say that thanks to the generosity and hard work of our Council family as of the beginning of September, we have reached our goal of 169 wreaths! That means every veteran there will be remembered and honored with a wreath in December. From the bottom of my heart, I would like to thank everyone who donated, whether it be their time or a monetary donation to make this happen. I hope to see many of you there on December 19th for the ceremony and the laying of the wreaths.

May God bless us and continue to keep us safe.

Leonard J. Komar Jr. GK KofC 4504



Baseball Trip Update



As everyone knows the Met game we had scheduled for 2020 was postponed to 2021. Our new date will be June 26th against the Phillies.

As of right now we have 50 people signed up. I spoke to the Bus company on Monday August 24th and they have a bus that holds 36 people. The contact for the Mets emailed me also on August 24th and had stated that he has at 30 more tickets for that game.

Please reply with a deposit of 30 dollars to Mike Peter. Whomever is interested please leave a deposit at the Knights of Columbus on Jeanette Ave to Mike Peter's attention.

Any questions please contact Mike Peter at cell 908- 759-3588 or email mikepeter4275@gmail.com.



Knight of the Month



October 2020

Joseph Thomas Matthews



Joseph (Joey) Thomas Matthews was born and raised in Union to Patrick and Grace Matthews. He is a proud Irish American and is the third in line of five children. He is a graduate of Union High School and a resident of Union currently, living with his sister Kathleen Holmes and brother in law, John.

Joey's favorite sport is bowling and was even a worker at The Four Seasons Bowling Alley. He also bowls himself and has been on the same bowling league since high school. Later on, Joey spent over twenty years working at the Shi-ki Japanese Steak House.

For over thirty-five years he has been a member of the Knights of Columbus and is a parishioner at St. Michael's Church. Joey spends most of his time at the Knights cleaning up and keeping things in order. He is a dedicated Knight and an arduous worker. He is always there to lend a hand whenever help is needed!

The Knights of Columbus is proud to announce Joseph Thomas Matthews as Knight of the Month.

Congratulations Joey!

The JFK Assembly will met at 9 AM on Saturday Dec 12th to locate the 169 veterans grave and place flags in preparation for the December 19th ceremony. 42 Broad Street Elizabeth at the First Presbyterian Church Cemetery Please join us. Family and friends are all invited.

save the dates

Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020

Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021

Saturday, Dec. 17, 2022

NATIONAL WREATHS
ACROSS AMERICA DAY



WREATHS *across* AMERICA

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Saturday, October 17, 2020
12:00pm - 6:00pm
 Columbian Club of Union, 1034 Jeanette Ave., Union, NJ
 Benefitting American Cancer Society & Good-Grief.org
 in Memory of
Luisa M. Gonzalez
 48 Teams (prizes for 1st & 2nd place)
 \$40 donation / team of 2
 (includes play and buffet)
 Buffet only \$20 pp / \$10 children under 15
 For Tickets Contact:
 Greg Jones @ gjones4545@verizon.net
 Mike Harms @ 908-370-4126

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL # 4504
PRESENTS
OUR 1ST ANNUAL



October 16, 2020
OKTOBERFEST

German Beer
 Bratwurst & Saurkraut
 Wiener Schnitzel
 Hot Bavarian Pretzels
 Braised Red Cabbage
 German Potato Salad

\$20.00 per person
 For Tickets Contact:
 Len Komar, CK @ 908-436-8143
 Mike Peter, PCK @ 908-759-3588

6pm - 10pm

1034 Jeanette Avenue  Union, N.J. 07083



Council 4504 would like to congratulate our three new brother Knights, Isauro Rojas, Raymond Lahens and Michael Nodine. They made their exemplification at the Council hall on September 9th. Special thanks to membership Director Gerry Aponte for preparing the candidates and Greg Henn PGK who prepared a great meal after the ceremony. Many thanks to the Degree Team.



THE COLUMBIETTES & KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 4504

INVITE YOU TO THE 2020

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY

COME JOIN US TO CELEBRATE A SPOOKY FUN TIME

DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2020

TIME: 3-5 PM

LOCATION: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PICNIC GROVE

1034 JEANETTE AVE, UNION

ALL CHILDREN OVER THE AGE OF 2 MUST WEAR A MASK

TRICK OR TREATING IN THE GROVE

SNACKS AND GAMES

A \$1.00 PER PERSON FEE WILL BE COLLECTED AT DOOR

PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO ST. MICHAELS FOOD PANTRY



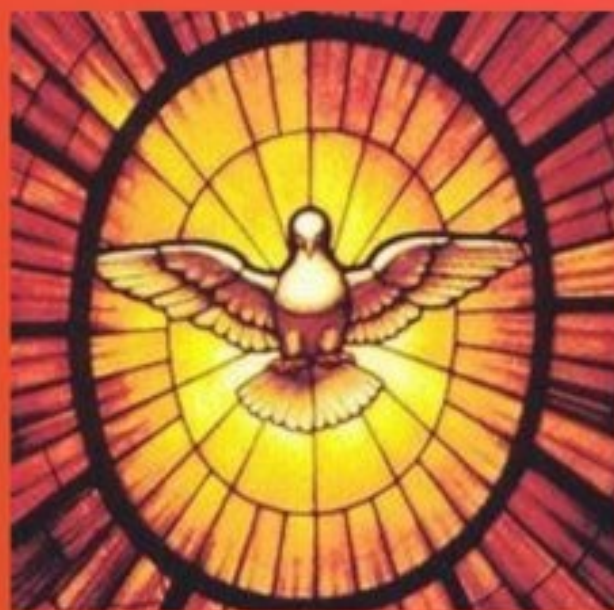
7:00 PM
PATRIOTIC ROSARY
7:30 PM
HOLY MASS

COME TOGETHER TO PRAY
FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS AND
MERCY FOR OUR COUNTRY

ALL ARE WELCOME

2020
September 3
October 1
November 5
December 3

2021
January 7
February 4
March 4
April 8
May 6
June 3



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C o l u m b i a n C l u b o f U n i o n

TAILGATE PARTY

1034 Jeanette Avenue, Union

S u n d a y

Cowboys

October 11th

1:00pm - 6:00pm



VS

GIANTS

TAILGATE *menu*

- Pulled Pork
- BBQ Chicken
- Hot Dogs
- Cheesesteaks
- Hamburgers

For Tickets Contact:

Greg Henn @ 908-721-2094

John Bashaw @ 908-591-4338




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