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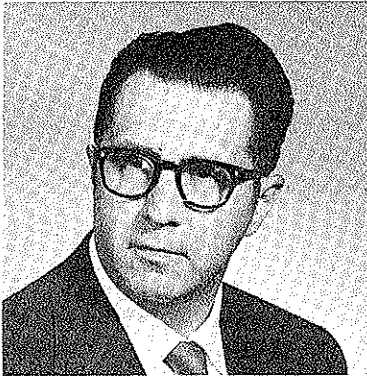
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Clementoni gains Council award as 'Knight of the Year'



DOMINICK CLEMENTONI

Dominick Clementoni received the "Knight of the Year" award from Andrew Popp, grand knight, at the annual awards dinner meeting in Union Council Knights of Columbus Hall.

Clementoni joined Union Council 4504 in 1964. He has served as treasurer, recorder, warden, chancellor, deputy grand knight and finally grand knight in 1971-1972.

He served as a trustee for three years and was elected to the Columbian Club board of directors. He is now a member of the Essex County Major degree team, and is serving Union Council as civic and cultural chairman. Clementoni is a member of St. Michaels Church, its Holy Name Society, and chairman of its Boy Scouts.

Mr. and Mrs. Clementoni reside on Earl Street and have two children, John and Mary. Clementoni is employed as a senior research technician in Products Research Division of Exxon, Linden.

Bicentennial Notes

"The spirit of liberty is not, as multitudes imagine, a jealousy of our own particular rights, but a respect for the rights of others, and an unwillingness that anyone, whether high or low, should be wronged or trampled under foot."

William Channing

Building Fund

Buy a Bond and continue the improvement and expansion of our Columbian Club for your recreational and social pleasure.

The Bond Committee welcomes all your financial support to achieve our goal for your benefit . . .

Ed Stonak,
Chairman

I Am the Nation

I was born on July 4, 1776, and the Declaration of Independence is my birth certificate. The bloodlines of the world run in my veins, because I offered freedom to the oppressed. I am many things, and many people. *I am the nation.*

I am 213 million living souls — and the ghost of millions who have lived and died for me.

I am Nathan Hale and Paul Revere. I stood at Lexington and fired the shot heard around the world. I am Washington, Jefferson and Patrick Henry. I am John Paul Jones, the Green Mountain Boys and Davy Crockett. I am Lee and Grant and Abe Lincoln.

I remember the Alamo, the Maine and Pearl Harbor. When freedom called I answered and stayed until it was over, over there. I left my heroic dead in Flanders Fields, on the rock of Corregidor, on the bleak slopes of Korea and in the steaming jungle of Vietnam.

I am the Brooklyn Bridge, the wheat lands of Kansas and the granite hills of Vermont. I am the coal fields of the Virginias and Pennsylvania, the fertile lands of the West, the Golden Gate and the Grand Canyon. I am Independence Hall, the Monitor and the Merrimac.

I am big. I sprawl from the Atlantic to the Pacific . . . my arms reach out to embrace Alaska and Hawaii . . . 3 million square miles throbbing with industry. I am more than 5 million farms. I am forest, field, mountain and desert. I am quiet villages — and cities that never sleep.

You can look at me and see Ben Franklin walking down the streets of Philadelphia with his breadloaf under his arm. You can see Betsy Ross with her needle. You can see the lights of Christmas, and hear the strains of "Auld Lang Syne" as the calendar turns.

I am Babe Ruth and the Super Bowl. I am 110,000 schools and colleges, and 330,000 churches where my people worship God as they think best. I am a ballot dropped in a box, the roar of a crowd in a stadium and the voice of a choir in a cathedral. I am an editorial in a neeeeeewspaper and a letter to a Congressman.

I am Eli Whitney and Stephen Foster. I am Tom Edison, Albert Einstein and Billy Graham. I am Horace Greeley, Will Rogers and the Wright brothers. I am George Washington Carver, Jonas Salk and Martin Luther King.

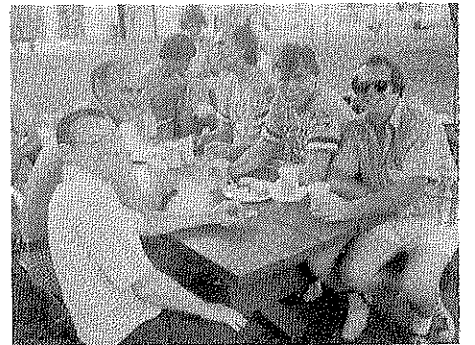
I am Longfellow, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Walt Whitman and Thomas Paine.

Yes, I am the nation, and these are the things that I am. I was conceived in freedom and, God willing, in freedom I will spend the rest of my days.

THE SIZE OF THINGS TO COME



Left to Right Father Ed, Jim Moran (our newly elected Grand Knight) Marly Farrel (our newly elected C. C. President), and PGK Andy Popp. That's the size of it.



G.K. Jim Moran and P.G.K. Andy Popp join Jim Jensen and friends.

METS vs DODGERS Tickets Available

Tickets for the New York Mets, Los Angeles Dodgers are still available. This exciting event will take place on Friday night, August 27th at Shea Stadium. Ticket price is \$10.00 which includes ADMISSION, the round trip BUS RIDE, SANDWICHES, BEER and SODA. For reservations contact Roger Schur at 245-6605 or see me at the K of C meetings. Bus will depart from the Council parking lot at 6:00 p.m. SHARP.

Since there are only 53 tickets available, sales will be on the first come, first serve basis.

Roger Shur,
Athletic Chairman

May I possess always the integrity, the courage and the strength to keep myself unshackled, to remain a citadel of freedom and a beacon of hope to the world.

This is my wish, my goal, my prayer in this year of 1976 — two hundred years after I was born.

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Council 4504 Bowling League held its 18th Annual Banquet on June 5 and the "Jovers" received the first place award. League President Jim Johnson presented trophies to Team Captain Ed Burke, Bob McGeorge, Joe Saenger, Vince Nichnadowicz and Howard Rhodes.

Grand Knights Column

Jim Moran

Being the Grand Knight of Union Council is a great honor. Working together with my officers and chairman, we will strive to provide the membership with the full advantages of being a brother in our fraternity. The newly passed council and Columbian Club by-laws will be **actively operating** as a guide for the proper direction of our endeavors. All elements of this club must work towards the common goals set up by the State and Supreme.

Every action taken in the name of the Knights of Columbus shall be judged by the question, "Is it in the best interest of the membership?" No one from the Columbian Club, no small group, not the council officers and not the personal likes or dislikes of the Grand Knight, will come before our membership. I invite you to challenge me if you think it ever does.

There are very few councils that have the size and degree of success we enjoy. Only complete devotion to the operation of Union Council by the Grand Knight, can maintain our high standard. You have my pledge this will be done. I'll expect cooperation from my officers, and all those in positions of authority in this club.

Responsibility works in two directions. You're responsible for putting me where I am, and I have to provide leadership for you. I'll give the leadership if you supply the **manpower**. One without the other brings failure. Together, we equal success.

Coming together is a beginning . . .
Keeping together is progress . . .
Working together is success . . .

Editor's Corner

Once upon a time there was a practical Catholic who moved to Union, N. J.

Every Sunday and days of Obligation he faithfully attended Mass. Now this man was a new resident of Union Township, who other than his neighbors knew very few Unionites, thus, other than attending Church his only other activities was gardening and shopping. Fortunately for him, he had a neighbor who was a member of the Union Council 4504 Knights of Columbus, who requested that he apply for Membership of the Order. This he did, and upon his acceptance to the order he partook in our Council Committees and Social Functions. Now he knows many Unionites and lets it be known that he is a proud Brother Knight of Council 4504.

Have you checked with your neighbors lately?

Memories

On January 27, 1958 the second degree was conferred on 52 members. Mike McGuire and the officers of Fr. Carty Council in Hillside were the conferring officers of this degree which was held in honor of Father Eid, who was an assistant pastor at St. Michaels and a member of our council.

Catholic Activities Chairman Waldon Arner reported that 125 members attended mass and received Holy Communion on Sunday, Feb. 9, 1958 at the 6:45 a.m. mass at St. Michaels for the Bishop's Spiritual Bouquet.

Chairman Bill Darrow announced that tickets for the Inaugural Ball to be held in St. Catherines Hall would be priced at \$2.50 per person. Liquor will be available at \$10.00 per bottle including set-ups. He noted that boosters in the Souvenir Journal would be \$1.00 and professional patrons \$5.00. Brothers Bill Donnelly and Pete Rakowski were cited for their efforts thus far on the Committee.

At the second meeting in February, Deputy Grand Knight Jim Connell asked members to visit G.K. Howard Leary or send him a card at Presbyterian Hospital in Newark.

Vince Slooin reported he intended to produce a council newspaper and asked the members for items of interest. It was requested that the members send in their choice for a title for the newspaper. A prize is to be awarded to the brother submitting the winning name. A bill for the refreshments for the major degree in the amount of \$171.35 was received from Elizabeth Council #253. A bill for the announcements of the major degree was received in the amount of \$8.70.

A letter from Ray West of the North Jersey Degree team, thanking the council for the courtesy extended to his group, was received.

PGK Bill Taylor
Historian

Calendar of Events

Aug. 9 Regular Meeting
(Corn Eating Contest)
Aug. 18 Council Day - Pool
Aug. 27 Shea Stadium
(Mets vs. L.A. Dodgers)
Sept. 10 2nd Firday
(Chaplains Night)
Sept. 11 Family Picnic

MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. Council Officers
2nd & 4th Mon. Regular Meetings
3rd Mon. Swim Club
1st Tues. FMBA
2nd Tues. Color Guards
3rd Tues. P.B.A.
4th Tues. Girls Club
1st Wed. 4th Degree Officers
2nd Wed. 4th Degree Color Corps
3rd Wed. 4th Degree Regular
4th Wed. Council Committees
1st Thurs. Expansion Committee
3rd Thurs. Cub Scouts
4th Thurs. Columbian Club
1st Fri. Chaplain's Night

Surprise in Heaven

I dreamed death came the other night and heaven's gate swung wide. An angel with a halo bright, ushered me inside — And there to my astonishment, stood folks I'd judged and labeled, as quite unfit of little worth, and spiritually disabled.

Indignant word rose to my lips. But never were set free, For every face showed stunned surprise. **Not one** expected me!

COUNCIL FAMILY PICNIC—SEPT. 11th

Worth Repeating

In the May issue of 1974 Brother Bob Kozloski — Digest Editor wrote an article that I believe is worth re-printing. Therefore, as this year's Editor, I've taken the liberty of repeating Bob's article verbatim.

A Letter From the Editor

Dear Brothers,

Being that summer is here, and it is the time of picnics, swimming and fun, I thought I would in my first correspondence with you take time out to wish everyone nothing but pleasure, happiness and joy for the remaining part of the season, as well as, the coming year.

This culmination of good times however, comes only from the hard work of others, idealistically everyone. Every year we grow in a variety of areas; activities, ideas, members, etc., and of course responsibility, but we still have the same old familiar faces doing one job, then another if not more. What are we to do? This Digest, as well as, your meetings is where you can begin. Since it is your communication outlet to your Council, and today is 1973, no longer a year of apathy and passiveness, but one of activism and involvement, I am calling out to everyone of you to become involved and active. Let's progress to a state of participation, constructive criticism, as well as, newborn intentions are all profoundly desired.

Robert P. Kozloski

Colors of Our Emblem

Red, White and Blue

The red, white and blue in the background of the shield and the foreground of the Cross of Malta are the colors of our beloved country. As such, red is the symbol of stouthearted courage, of pulsing activity and a full measure of devotion. Blue is the symbol of hope, of calm tranquility under God and of confidence in the protection of our country. White is the symbol of nobility of purpose, of purity of aim and of crucible — tried ideals to be carried out. But there is another symbolism of color in red, white and blue. This is the ecclesiastical symbolism in which red becomes the reflection of the drips of Christ's redemptive blood shed upon Calvary, and of the martyrs' blood shed in defense of the faith.

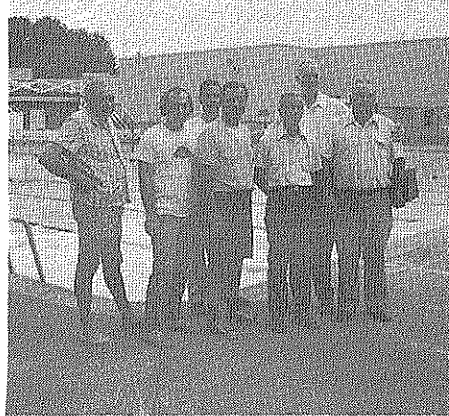
Faith, Hope, Charity

Red is then the symbol of Faith, of belief in Christ, in the Redemption and in the mission of every man to spread the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. White is the color of the Eucharistic Host, pledge of God's Eucharistic presence among men, of the infinite love God had for man and the overwhelming affection which the God-man had for each individual. White is then the symbol of Christ-like Charity. Blue is the color of Our Lady's mantle, in which she wrapped her beloved Son, through Whom came salvation to a sinful world. Blue is then the symbol of Hope.

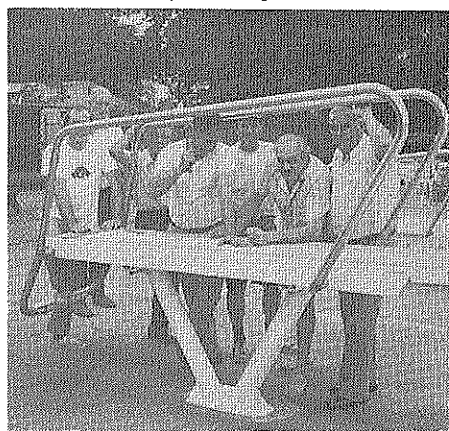
Swim Club News

The Swim Club Patio and Picnic Areas were ready to go on opening day — May 29th, right on schedule! Newly painted and decorated with a Bicentennial motif, our Club and grounds presented a pleasing sight, and a fine background for the opening day Mass celebrated by Father Ed.

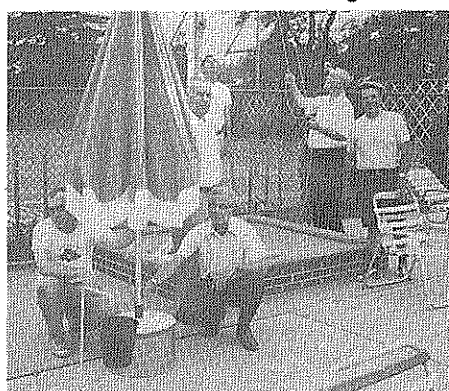
A lot of credit must be given to Frank Cosenza, John Gill and a devoted small group of Brother Knights who worked long and hard to provide once again, good facilities to be enjoyed by Swim Club and Council members for another summer of fun.



It's Ready — Part of a victorious crew which produced a "ready to go" pool and picnic area by the Memorial Day deadline. I hope the girls look better.



O.K. — We have the diving board — Now all we need is some water and a volunteer! Nails on a diving board?



Raise that flag — open that umbrella, we're all set for a summer of fun! Hey! Bill, look at the stars.

Corn Eating Contest

At the first meeting night of August 9, the Council will have their Annual Corn Eating Contest. A prize will be given to the member eating the most corn.

Can You Benefit From A Children's Rider?

Time was when the only way to insure all of your children was to buy a life insurance certificate on each one as they came along. Of course, in order to do this, the child must have been in good health, and generally speaking, the contribution would run perhaps \$25 to \$50 per year per thousand, and as the size of the family increased, the outlay became prohibitive. Of course, the type of coverage this bought not only provided protection, but also enabled the breadwinner to accumulate some cash funds to be used in later years.

Notwithstanding this fact, many members asked that a low cost method of providing protection for their children be designed — *where cost would not increase as more children came along.* It was with this in mind that the Supreme Council office announced the advent of a new rider. Called the "Children's Rider," it can be added to a basic certificate at a very modest cost.

Here's what it does. Each eligible child you now have under the age of 18 is insured for \$2,000. Each new child born of your marriage or legally adopted is covered after 15 days for \$2,000. At age 26 (21 in New Jersey), the child has a conversion privilege which would permit him to convert to a \$10,000 permanent certificate, and no evidence of insurability is required. In other words, you guarantee your children the right to purchase \$10,000 of insurance, regardless of health or hazardous occupation. The additional cost of this rider, regardless of the number of children you have, amounts to \$11.30 per year. It can be added only to a new certificate of at least \$5,000 at issue date, which calls for payments to age 65.

Think of that . . . buy \$5,000 on your life and your wife's life and have all of your present eligible children, and all of your future children (after 15 days of age) insured immediately for \$2,000 with option to purchase up to \$10,000. All of this for only an additional \$11.30 per year.

Want to hear more?

CALL YOUR K OF C AGENT TODAY . . .

Needs for 1976

We need to feel more to understand others.
We need to love more to be loved back.
We need to cry more to cleanse ourselves.
We need to laugh more to enjoy ourselves.
We need to see more other than our own little fantasies.
We need to hear more and listen to the needs of others.
We need to give more and take less.
We need to share more and own less.
We need to look more and realize that we are not so different from one another.
We need to create a world where everyone can peacefully live the life they choose.

Susan Polis Schutz