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TOMKO INSTALLED AS GRAND KNIGHT



Left to right: District Deputy Warden, Dominic Pagano; District Deputy, George Luppold; Grand Knight, Michael Tomko; State Deputy, James P. Burke and State Warden, Robert F. Wade.

Michael Tomko of Union was installed as Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, Union Council 4504 on July 9. He was installed by George Luppold, district deputy and Dominic Pagano, district deputy warden.

State representatives present at the ceremony were James Burke, state deputy and Robert Wade, state warden. The Reverend Edward M. Swierzbinski, chaplain of the Union Council concluded the program with a prayer.

Other officers installed were John Winters, deputy grand knight; Andrew Popp, chancellor; Frank Dickerson, financial secretary; Anthony Piatkiewicz, recorder; James Moran, warden; Robert Yavoroski, treasurer; Rocco Corbo, program director; Frank Rafferty, membership director; Julian Pruszkowski, lecturer; Robert Armstrong, Dominick Clementoni and Barney Capriglione, trustees; James Conlon, advocate; Roy Trupiano, inside guard, and Robert Kozloski, outside guard.

During the evening P.G.K. Barney Capriglione received the Past Grand Knight Jewel.

Our Annual Retreat

San Alfonso Retreat House is engaged in re-creation. It is a place where spiritual "batteries" are recharged, faith renewed, hope reborn and charity rekindled. It would be hard to imagine a spot more conducive to prayerful meditation than this building by the sea, where each year 6,000 people come to refresh their souls. This is a spiritual spa whose purpose is service. Here waves of grace bathe souls as steadily as the surf washes the shore.

Radical changes is the order of the day in all our social institutions. No change is so radical as one that goes to the roots of self. San Alfonso exists to facilitate this kind of change. There is good and sufficient reason to believe that its reason for existence is continually being validated by its fruits. Taste the sweet fruit of the wonderful experience that a retreat can offer. October 19-20-21 is the Council's Retreat Weekend. Contact Catholic Activities Chairman Joe Willmore 687-5715.

"What's the Story Brothers"

Say you're interested in serving on a committee, any committee, like the Council Activities Committee, or say the Catholic Activities Committee. Don't matter. Maybe you'd like the Fraternal Activities or the Family Activities or you're just interested in helping with Public Relations or Membership.

Come down to Union Council 4504 and we can get it for you wholesale. We'll introduce you to the chairman, the officers, the directors. Union Council is not open to the general public. Only Knights of Columbus members. Just show your traveling card at the door, and you're in.

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New Columbian Club Officers

The following appointments are effective July 1, 1973.

James Ford was elected Club President. Jim has held various elective and appointed positions in the Columbian Club. He is a familiar figure around the council, well known to all of us.

Other Club officers elected were: Lee Linfante, 1st Vice-President; Joseph Bizzaro, 2nd Vice-President; Jack Bruno, 3rd Vice-President; William Stuart, Recording Secretary; Peter Martin, Corresponding Secretary; Arthur Reimers, Treasurer; Joseph Bilicski, Assistant Treasurer.

Edwin Vogel, William Bucher, William Taylor and Dominick Clementoni were elected to the Board of Directors for a three year term; Robert Basmajian, Rocco Corbo, Robert Kolster, Frank Dickerson for two years and Peter Koslowski, Tim Hayden, Anthony Piatkiewicz, Eugene LeCompte for one year.

Congratulations Brothers, and best wishes for a successful term of office.

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COUNCIL OFFICERS

District Deputy George Luppold
Grand Knight Michael Tomko
Chaplain Rev. Edward Swierzbinski
(351-9000)

Deputy Grand Knight John Winters
Chancellor Andrew Popp
Recorder Anthony Piatkiewicz
Financial Secretary ..Frank Dickerson, P.G.K.
(687-4353)

Treasurer Robert Yavoroski
Lecturer Julian Pruszkowski, P.G.K.
Advocate James Conlon
Warden James Moran
Inside Guard Roy Trupiano
Outside Guard Robert Kozloski
Program Director Rocco Corbo
Membership Director Frank Rafferty
Trustee Robert Armstrong, P.G.K.
Trustee Dominick Clementoni, P.G.K.
Trustee Barney Capriglione, P.G.K.

Calendar of Events

Sept. 2, Sat. Family Party
Sept. 8, Sat. Council Picnic
12-6 p.m.
Sept. 8, Sat. Bowling League
opens
Sept. 10, Mon. Regular Meeting
Sept. 24, Mon. Regular Meeting
Sept. 28, Fri. Annual 4th
Degree Dinner
Sept. 29, Sat. Square Dance
Sept. 29, Sat. 4th Degree Dance
Oct. 6, Sat. Ice Skating Party
Oct. 8, Mon. Regular Meeting
Oct. 19, 20, & 21,
Fri., Sat., Sun. ... Retreat Week-End
Oct. 14, Sun. Family Dinner
Oct. 19, 20, & 21 1-5 p.m.
Fri., Sat., Sun. Council
Retreat Week-End
Oct. 22, Mon. Regular Meeting
Oct. 27, Sat. Halloween Dance
Nov. 12, Mon. Regular Meeting
(Memorial Services)
Nov. 18, Sun. Blood Bank
12:30 to 5 p.m.
Nov. 26, Mon. Regular Meeting
Dec. 1, Sat. Grand Ball
Council Hall
Dec. 10, Mon. Regular Meeting
Christmas Dinner
Dec. 31, Mon. New Years Eve
Dance

Dear Brothers:

We are genuinely interested in you. Like the Telephone Chairman, I would also like to keep our records up to date. We can't mail the digest to you if we don't have your address. So, won't you please inform us if you have a new change of address. Thank you for your co-operation.

Louis Olivieri
Mailing Chairman

Fraternal Activities

Now that summer is behind us, it's time to give thoughts to two important dates coming up in the near future. One is Monday, November 12th, which is the meeting night set aside each year, to pay our respect and condolences to our departed members. The other date is Sunday, November 18th, which is our day of giving, so that we may receive. This is Blood Bank Day, so mark your calendars and make arrangements to be there!

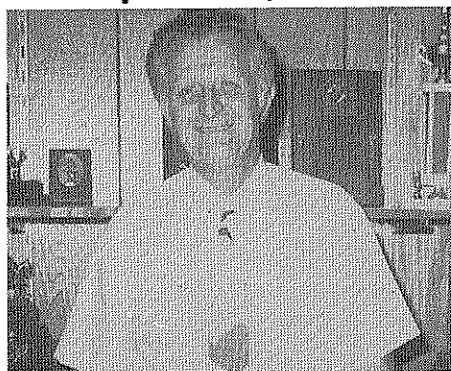
Frank Jordan

K of C Bowling League

Bowling starts 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 4, 1973 at Four Seasons, there will be a meeting at 8:15 p.m. PLEASE try to attend. If you are unable to bowl, kindly contact one of the officers immediately.

President B. Bucher — 687-1224
Vice President .. J. Johnson — 964-0735
Secretary J. Kiss — 687-5173
Treasurer T. Kachelriess — 686-7410

Knight of the Month September, 1973



EDWIN VOGEL

Union Council is indeed proud of our Knight of the Month. There is no one more deserving of this honor than Mr. Edwin Vogel. He has been a member of the Knights for the past 26 years, and is a true representative of our Order. Ed enjoys helping and being good to people, and his favorite motto is "There is good in everybody".

Ed lives at 286 Washington Ave., with his wife Frances, and as Ed would tell you, "I have three daughters, a brunette, blonde and a red head". They are Kathleen, Cecelia (married) and Mary Elizabeth at home. He also has one granddaughter, and one of his son-in-laws Daniel Neroda, is also a member of the K of C.

For the past 27 years, Ed has been employed by the N. J. Bell Telephone Co., in Linden, N. J., where he is an assignment bureau foreman. He is past president of the Elizabeth District Federal Credit Union of N. J. Bell, a member of the Holy Name Society, an usher and also works at the Wednesday night bingo of Holy Spirit church, of which he is a member.

Ed is now serving as a Director of the Columbian Club, and is also the kitchen manager. Congratulations Ed for all your contributions.

Grand Knight's Message

Michael Tomko



Brothers,

Summer and the lazy days are just about over, and soon we shall get back to the activities on hand. I am delighted to say that the organizational period for the year is about over. Now we can concentrate on coordinating our time and our talents to achieve even greater success for our Council. Since time is so precious a commodity; one that can never be regained, when approached for your assistance in any manner, please don't pass it by.

Your opportunity is **NOW**, to aid us in implementing our programs, and I'm sure you will fit perfectly in the niche of activities you choose.

Let's make this one of **THE** best years of our lives. Be interested in **YOUR** Council. Keep in touch. Talk up the next affair. Keep that "Feed Back" working, and we will enjoy ourselves much more, when we are all unified in action.

Fraternally,
Michael A. Tomko

How to Kill Your Council

1. Don't come to meetings, but if you do, be late.
2. If the weather doesn't suit you, don't think of coming.
3. Find fault with the work of your officers and members.
4. Never accept an office, for it's easier to criticize than to do things.
5. If asked by the director or chairman to give your opinion regarding some important matter, tell him you have nothing to say. After the meeting tell everyone how things ought to be done.
6. Do nothing more than absolutely necessary, but when other members roll up their sleeves and willingly, unselfishly use their abilities to help others along, howl that the organization is run by a clique.
7. Hold back your dues as long as possible or don't pay at all.
8. When a banquet is given, tell everyone money is being wasted on blow-outs and parties. If no banquets are held, complain that the organization is dead.
9. Always keep your eyes open for something wrong.
10. When you attend a meeting, vote to do something and then go home and do the opposite. Agree with everything said at the meeting and disagree with it outside.
11. Get all the organization gives you, but don't give it anything in return.

Sept. 14th
The "Dirty Dozen"
Welcomes You!

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Michael Tomko
Grand Knight



George Luppold
District Deputy



Rev. Edward Swierzbinski
Chaplain



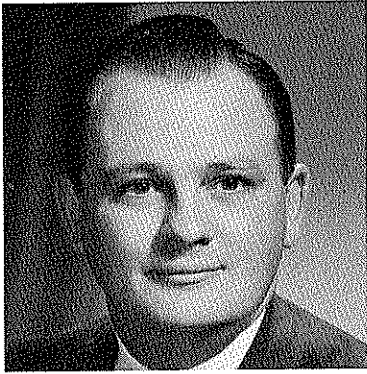
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Deputy Grand Knight



Andrew Popp
Chancellor



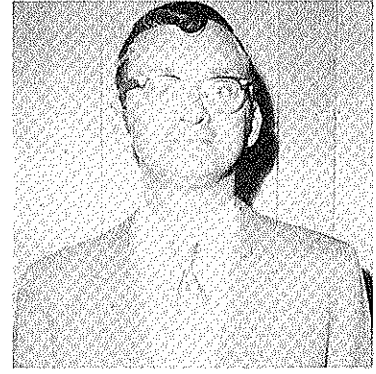
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Treasurer



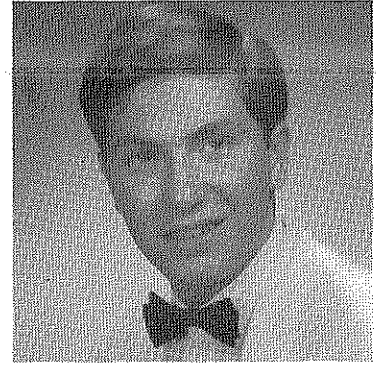
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Warden



James C. Conlon
Advocate



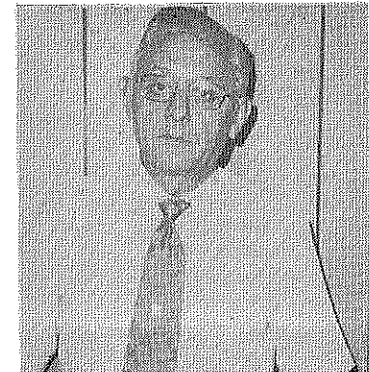
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Inside Guard



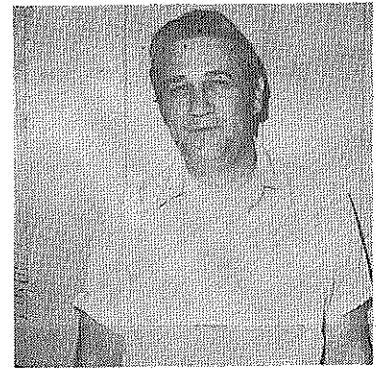
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Julian Pruszkowski
Lecturer



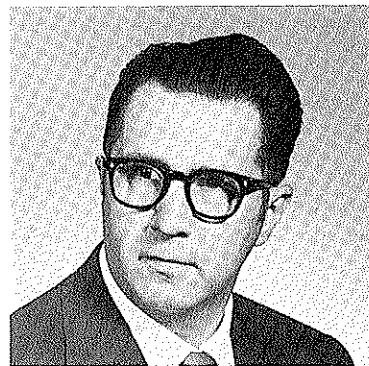
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Membership Director



Robert E. Armstrong
Trustee



Dominick Clementoni
Trustee



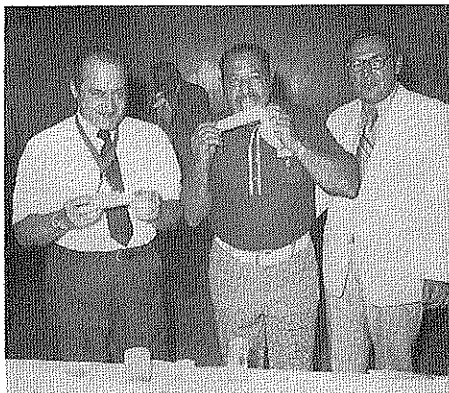
Barney Capriglione
Trustee



The "CHAMP"
John Schmidt

Niblet King

On Monday, August 13, 1973 the Annual Corn Festival took place here at Union Council with an unprecedented 350 ears of corn consumed. From our unwritten record books a new King was crowned, by devouring 20 ears of corn (a new record) John Schmidt, a new Knight out nibbled last year's King Bob Armstrong Jr. (runnerup), by seven ears. Lecturer Jules Pruszkowski culminated the evening with a hearty congratulations to John. All in all, it was an enjoyable FEAST for all. Who knows, next year the "King Nibbler" may be you. Congratulations John!



Trying to keep up Bob Armstrong, Sr., Phil Sammarco and observer Jules Pruszkowski, lecturer.

Random Thoughts

United States oddities and facts: The United States Capitol has served many purposes besides the legislative ones. At one time or another the historic building has been used as a hospital, military cafeteria, church, blacksmith shop and bakery. It has been the scene of bazaars, rallies and musical concerts . . . Telephone interruptions annoyed even Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the instrument. He often stuffed a towel around the phone in his laboratory so he could work in peace . . . The U.S. Jefferson nickel was first minted in 1938 . . . There is a sign in a town square in Kansas reading: "No ball playing. No bicycle riding. No pets. Remember this is your park!" . . . Oklahoma City is more than twice as large as New York City, in terms of square miles, not population that is. Its 650 square miles make it the largest city in the United States . . . The Air Force band that was to provide

music for a Labor Day festival at Florence, Wisconsin couldn't make it because it was stranded at a South Dakota air base. It couldn't get a phone! . . . The first motion picture drive-in opened in Camden, New Jersey on June 6, 1933 . . . During the British attack on Philadelphia, the Liberty Bell was removed by wagon to Allentown, Pennsylvania, where it was housed in the basement of a church. After the British evacuated Philadelphia, the following year the bell was returned to its former place . . . The organization known as the Early Birds is an organization of the first fliers in the United States . . . The courthouse in the southwestern town Pagosa Springs, Colorado is heated in the winter by water piped in from a nearby hot spring . . . The average educated American uses from 3,000 to 5,000 words in reading and writing. Milton used 8,000 words and Shakespeare about 15,000 words . . . Oldest golf course in continuous use in the United States is the Foxburg Course, Clarion County, Pennsylvania.

Jim Moran

"The Cardinal's Corner"

This year we will once again revive, "The Cardinals Corner", dedicated to the news of the John F. Kennedy General Assembly 4th Degree Knights of Columbus. Look for news and upcoming events in this column.

The following officers were elected in June for the 1973-1974 term:

Faithful Friar Msgr. Coyle
 Faithful Navigator Thomas Laffey
 Faithful Captain Leo Lupia
 Faithful Pilot Martin Reiff
 Faithful Admiral Frederick Fuchs P.F.N.
 Faithful Comptroller John Murphy
 P.F.N.
 Faithful Purser Raymond Oaks
 Faithful Scribe Philip Sammarco
 Faithful Inside Sentinel
 David Schardien

Faithful Outside Sentinel
 Richard Magerkurth
 Faithful Trustee (3yrs.) Frank Rebel
 P.F.N.

S.K. Leo Lupia the F.C. is to be contacted in the event of a 4th Degree death or illness. Please call 687-7490 or the Grand Knight of the Council.

This year's Annual Dinner Dance will be held on the evening of Sept. 28th (Friday) starting at 7 p.m. Reservations must be made for this event and can be obtained by contacting S.K. Leo Lupia, Chairman, or any of the Assembly officers. Seating is limited and reservations are a must. For those who attended last year, you know the tremendous time we had. Looking forward to your coming one and all. This Dinner Dance is not restricted to 4th Degree members and anyone desiring to attend is most welcome. The presentation of Sir Knight of the Year will be made on the 28th and the recipient will receive a plaque and the praises of his Sir Knights.

"WEEKEND IN WASHINGTON"

The weekend of the 10th and 11th of November, will see the J.F.K. sponsorship of a two day trip to Washington,

D.C. The prime purpose of the trip is the wreath laying ceremony at the late President's gravesites by the Co Q Color Corps and Color Guard on the 10th anniversary of the assassination of the President. It is anticipated that the Hon. Congressman Matthew Rinaldo, Jr. (S.K.) and Sen. Ted Kennedy and/or representatives from his family will also be in attendance. Saturday evening will be spent at a restaurant accompanied by S.K. Rinaldo. Sunday we will attend mass at the Shrine and breakfast after in the Shrine cafeteria. A tour by bus during the morning is also planned. Approximately 1:00 or 2:00 p.m. the wreath will be placed at the gravesite. Shortly thereafter we will start back for home. The cost of this affair will be \$90/couple and \$35/single person to attend. The cost includes motel and transportation to and from Union Council. Refreshments will be served on the bus with rest stops included. For reservations contact S.K. Leo Lupia 687-7490, S.K. David Schardien 687-0111 and F.N. Tom Laffey at "Tom's" Smoke Shop 688-4334. Reservations will not be accepted after October 29th.

The Co Q Color Corps starts its second year with a change in its drill nights to the first Monday of every month, starting in September at Union Council at 8 p.m. Any 4th Degree member desiring to join please contact S.K. Stan Rucki or Warrant Officer Philip Sammarco.

This year the Color Corps assisted in the installation of newly installed Grand Knights of Union and Springfield Councils. The participation in the installation of officers of Hillside and Kenilworth Councils will be accompanied in September of this year.

An up and coming event to keep in mind will be in May of 1974, a professional Luau. More info on this in a later issue.

Yours in Christ
S.K. Leo E. Lupia

Columbian Club

Dear Brothers:

Effective September 9th the Lounge will be open for your convenience at 1:00 p.m. Saturday afternoon and at 3:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon. Weekday hours will remain the same 7:30 p.m. to 12:00.

The Columbian Club will offer food starting September 14th, under the direction of the "Dirty Dozen". Sandwiches and "who knows what else" will be served.

Effective immediately, we have a new booking manager for rental of the hall. Anyone wishing to book the hall should contact Jack Bruno at 687-3452 or 686-4504.

For the first time in years we have openings for bartenders — week nights or weekends. For further information contact Lee Linfante or Tim Hayden at 686-4504 or stop by any night and give your name and telephone number to the bartender on duty.

The next scheduled meeting of the Board-of-Directors of the Columbian Club will be Thursday, September 27th at 8:30 p.m.

Sincerely,
James F. Ford
President — Columbian Club