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Swim Club News

Need a place to relax? Need a place to swim? Need a place to meet new friends or reminisce with old friends? Join us with our vast variety of activities. The patio and picnic grounds and summer activities are open to all members throughout the season. There are also special days the pool will be available to all members in good standing.

Some of the many attributes our Swim Club can boast about are the crystal clear water, clean and picturesque environment and excellent supervision. Swimming instructions for adults as well as children, a swim team for competitive swimmers, dances and patio and splash parties are also provided. A complete summer schedule is posted in the Digest as well as on the bulletin board on the patio. Keep up on new happenings and support them. Many members worked very hard and very long so that we may enjoy our summer days at the pool and picnic area.

May God watch over us and guide us through a safe and enjoyable summer.
John Killian, P.S.C.

New Members

These brothers have recently received the following degrees:

First Degree: James J. Caprio, Michael Cerracchio, Robert W. Gladysiewicz, Charles Haumacher, Robert A. McArdle, Edward F. Nejman, Sr., Phillip A. Rizzo, Steven Wozniak.

Second Degree: John J. Guidera, Russell Straz.

Third Degree: Ronald Angelo, Robert Bizzaro, Richard Carney, Anthony D'Alessio, Robert Falgares, Martin Farrell, Jr., Phillip Gargano, Nicholas Genovese, Charles Grom, Dennis Guidera, William Horan, Gary Hornig, Michael Iannuzzi, Fred Kiebler, Edward Kryzwa, Peter Leonardis, Robert Lichtenberg, Patrick Mauriello, Anthony Manochio, Donald Matrале III, James Melegh, Allen Mench, James Mench, Leonard Pannucci, Frank Pape III, Matthew Rinaldo, Jr., Henri Saint-Laurent, Charles Saunders, Brian Schuettler, Edward Stonack, Jr., Michael Stonack, James Stonack, Robert Taylor, Anthony Terrezza, Chester Wilk, Wayne Williams and Walter Wrzesinski.

We congratulate our brother knights and urge them to become active members of our council. My brother and I would at this time like to thank all the sponsors of candidates for their support. We also would like to thank all the brother knights too numerous to mention who helped us conduct the many interviews which were held this year.

James McEnroe



In picture from left to right PGK Jim Moran, Tom Hassard, Herbert Truhe and Joe Porter.

Mariner of the Year

The Mariner's Award is presented by the Knights of Columbus to someone recognized as a guiding force in Union Township. Mr. Tom Hassard was chosen this year. Among Tom's many accomplishments were his 10 years of service for the U.S. Deaf Ski Team and U.S. Ski Association for the Deaf; his guidance of track and field activities for Burnet Junior High; a member of the Board of Managers for the Five Points Y.M.C.A.; and various committees and associations for skiing. Tom resides in Union with his wife Joan and his two children, Charles and Tamara. Congratulations Mr. Hassard for being a fine example for all of us to follow.

Policeman of the Year

Captain Herbert Truhe, Jr. of Union has been selected for this year as the Knights of Columbus Policeman of the Year. Captain Truhe is presently Captain of Detectives and the liaison officer for pornographic cases between the prosecutors office and Union Police. He has participated in over 200 narcotic investigations, 80 narcotic raids, 75 narcotic court trials, and 1 traffic summons. Captain Truhe resides in Union with his wife Doris, his three children and five grandchildren. Congratulations Mr. Truhe, our Policeman of the Year.

Dance Lessons

WILL RESUME ON THE FRIDAYS
SEPTEMBER 16—23—30
FROM 8:30 TO 9:30 P.M.
FIRST LEASON—PEABODY
INSTRUCTOR—DOTTIE BRINDEL
ADMISSION—\$3.00 PER COUPLE

New President

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those members for showing their confidence in me by choosing me as your president for the year 1977-1978. I am sure that with everyone's help we can continue to grow and provide the services necessary to maintain a council our size. Any members interested in becoming more involved in council work should contact any member of the Columbian Club Board of Directors, including myself. We are looking forward to a very successful year, and with everyone's cooperation we can continue to grow and prosper.

Thank You Again,
John P. Gill

Columbian Club President

Student Loan Program

A study of the possibility of participating in a student loan program pursuant to the Higher Education Act of 1965 was initiated as a result of a resolution passed by the 88th Supreme Council Meeting in 1970. Consequent to this study, the Board of Directors in their January 1971 meeting voted that the Student Loan Program be made available to members of the Order who were in good standing at the time of their death.

A student may apply for an annual loan for a full academic — usually nine months or any portion thereof — including graduate school. Applications, note forms and membership verification forms are furnished only on request from a student who has actually been accepted, or is continuing education in an eligible institution of higher learning as determined by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. A student must carry at least half of the normal full-time workload and be a citizen or national of the United States. The student may make application for a loan in any year of his course.

For an academic year starting in September, applicants may request application forms after April 1. There is no deadline for the submission of completed applications. Students should allow twelve weeks for loan processing. When the loan is approved, the student will be so notified and the check, made payable to the student applicant, will be mailed to him in care of the Financial Officer of the school in which the student is enrolled. Application forms may be obtained from your local Supreme Council Insurance Representative.

Harold A. Maus, F.I.C. (687-1533)

or

John Gallagher (635-7121)

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. Council Officers
 2nd & 4th Mon. Regular Meetings
 3rd Mon. Swim 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
 4th Thurs. Columbian Club
 1st Fri. Chaplain's Night

Junior Bowlers

This notice is for any Junior Bowler who is entitled to a Bowling Trophy but has not received it to date. You can still claim your trophy by calling Youth Chairman, Steve Patrykowski at 687-8083.

Graduation Bond Winners

Council 4504 is happy to announce the names of the two girls and two boys who were this year's recipient of the annual 8th Grade Graduation Savings Bond.

HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL

Richard Barr
 1088 Potter Avenue
 Union, New Jersey

Carla Montefusco
 1261 Highland Avenue
 Union, New Jersey

ST. MICHAELS SCHOOL

Michael Falcetano
 211 Milton Avenue
 Union, New Jersey

Vicki Gladysiewicz
 1878 Arbor Lane
 Union, New Jersey

Important Information From the Financial Secretary

At meeting of the Supreme Council Section 118(e) of the Lawk of the Order was amended as follows:

"Any member who has reached his 55th birthday and who shall have become disabled by bodily injuries or disease and is thereby prevented from engaging in any occupation or employment for remuneration or profit and shall have been so prevented for a period of no less than six consecutive months may, on due request in writing to the Supreme Council and upon certification by evidence satisfactory to the Supreme Council of such disability, be relieved from the payment of all council dues and Supreme and State per capita taxes as of the date of approval of said request and any suspension of such member for non-payment of such dues and tax shall cease as of the date of such approval."

The guidelines concerning application for relief under Section 118(e) are as follows:

1. Applicant shall have been a member of the Order in good standing for a period of one year prior to making application for relief under Section 118(e).

2. Evidence of total disability and acceptable to the Supreme Council in support of an application for relief shall be one of the following:

- a. Certification from Health, Education, Welfare
- b. Certification from Internal Revenue Service
- c. Certification from Veterans' Administration
- d. Statement from Attending Physician

3. The decision of a committee comprised of the Supreme Secretary, Supreme Advocate and Supreme Physician shall be final in all cases but if the decision is one of rejection the applicant shall have appeal to the Board of Directors.

4. Application shall be by completion of prescribed form furnished by the Supreme Council, signed by the member and the disability must be attested to by the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary. The signatures of the council officers shall be certified by the District Deputy.

5. The period of relief following approval of the application by the committee shall not exceed one year terminating on December 31 of each year.

Applications are available to those who qualify by contacting Financial Secretary Frank Dickerson.

Fraternally yours,
 Frank J. Dickerson PGK, F.S.

New Members Wanted

A goal of 100 new members has been set for the year 1977-1978. To achieve this goal we need the support of all our members to try and sponsor a friend, uncle, son, etc. Application forms are always available at the bar.

Allen Mench
 Membership Chairman

Grand Knights Column

Ken Pinney



I am proud and privileged to be elected as your Grand Knight for the year 1977-1978. I am particularly honored because I will now join a select group of men who have performed outstandingly well as Grand Knights of Union Council #4504. I fully realize that many, many men have been responsible for making this Council a leader among the other Councils in the state and certainly the Grand Knights have played a major role in this image.

Without the qualified and dedicated leadership of these gentlemen, it would have been very difficult to carry on the many diversified programs of our Council.

Leadership is so important, but even more important is the dedicated, creative and industrious efforts which are continuously being performed by the officers, committee chairmen and you, my brothers. Without your continued efforts, Union Council 4504 would be a non-entity.

I realize my role then as Grand Knight is to continually stimulate, motivate and activate all the committees to perform their tasks well in the various programs.

One program which has been very successful these past two years is the 1st Friday Series. Under the guidance and direction of Father Ed, these programs have been well received, well-attended, interesting and enlightening. An average of 100 brothers and their wives have been in attendance for the 9 programs and 280 were present for the Catholic Daughters and Knights Dinner in February. This series will continue this year and I do hope more brothers and their wives will be in attendance.

Bringing families together at different functions is very important. This year I plan to have a few Sunday dinners as we have had in the past. It will give us an opportunity to take our family to an inexpensive dinner and also visit with our brothers and their families.

I fully realize that as Grand Knight of this large and vibrant Council, it will be my responsibility to make many pertinent decisions. I also realize that I will probably not please everyone with these decisions. But after studying the facts, listening to comments, and being guided by the by-laws and my conscience, I will try to be fair and just.

I hope we can all work harmoniously together and carry out the many programs of our order. I am very willing to try and do my best. Can I count on you?

With the patient understanding and consideration of my wife, Ann, and my family; with the conscientious help of my fellow officers and brothers, with the guidance of the Past Grand Knights and most of all, with God's help, Union Council will continue to grow and continue to be the outstanding Council in the state.



**Chaplain's
Corner**
Rev. Edward M. Swierzbinski

(1) Why spiritual direction?

Upon the completion of her night prayer, the little five year old exclaimed, "Mom, I can't understand this God business. How can I talk to God when I've never seen Him?"

"God business" — or how can I form and foster a relationship with God. Our goal, the same as the little girl, to know God as a personal friend. I know that I have not seen God, but I know that on the day of Baptism each of us received a special gift from God. This gift is called faith, and it helps us to believe in God even though we cannot see Him.

As an adult, I turn to a spiritual director in much the same way the child turned to her mother. I cannot solve the inner restlessness I experience as I live out my daily life. I want to find out what is behind this routine of waking up, eating, working, watching TV. I am seeking meaning to my life. It is important to have the support of a "with me" director. Someone who will guide me as I look at my daily experiences, one by one, to discover the deepest meaning of each of them for me. If any event, person or object is not leading me to a more personal union with God, then I must alter my pattern of living. This is difficult. I need the support of a prudent and caring director. However, as my relationship with God matures, I can more readily rely on my own self-direction aided by spiritual reading, homilies, prayer and occasional spiritual direction. Spiritual direction is not an end in itself, but a means of fostering personal union with God, our Father, through our growth in the image and likeness of Christ, His Son. Something to think about over the summer. Have a nice summer. God Bless You All.

Memories

The semi annual audit for the period January 1, 1958 to June 30, 1958 showed that the Council had 47 Insurance and 183 Associate members in good standing. We also had 9 Insurance and 2 Associate members in arrears. Not a bad figure for a total of 241 members on the rolls at the time. We had a cash balance in the General Fund of \$2,028.91. This report was filed September 23, 1958.

The following brothers were appointed by G.K. Leary to head the six point program committees: Chairman; Weldon Arver, Catholic Activities; Warren Hehl, Youth; Tom Owens, Council; Wilbur Donnelly, Fraternal; Jim Confroy, Publicity; Vince Slavin, Membership; Frank Murphy, Admissions; Mario Henriquez, Building Committee; Kolomon Kiss, Athletic Activities; Frank J. Dickerson, Bowling; Ben Godesky, Safe Driving Chairman; Oscar Ernst, Joe Rocky and Vince Squazzo were appointed as organists. Bob Drew was selected as Choir Master. Neil Hurley was appointed as secretary to the six point program chairman.

At the first meeting in September, a resolution was adopted to donate \$25.00 to the Union Boys Club.

Fraternal Activities Chairman, Jim Confroy, requested the members to send cards to Frank J. Dickerson who is confined to Alexian Brothers Hospital.

Public Relations Chairman, Vince Slavin, asked the members to submit names for the soon to be published Council Paper. A prize will be awarded to the brother who submits the winning selection.

Lecturer Joe Milo made an appeal to the brothers to be generous and purchase tickets for the 60-40 raffle held at each meeting to help defray the expenses of refreshments served after meetings. He also spoke on his trip to the Holy Land and showed slides of his travels throughout Europe.

Tumbleweed Invitational

The \$60 Tumbleweed Invitational, the first and richest major golf tournament of 1977 was held Sunday, May 22nd and was a big hit! Fifty eight duffers challenged the rolling fairways of the Cranbury Country Club and were royally treated to a day that was both gorgeous and filled with brilliant play.

Our brothers were privileged to have Peter Martin kick off the day and he didn't let anyone down. The hugh gallery was in an uproar as Pete promptly took three healthy cuts at the ball then bunted down the left rough. Many of the better golfers were heard saying "I don't feel bad at all now, at least I'm not alone."

The general consensus was that the water hole at the 10th tee was the toughest to get through as more foul balls dropped in there than any other hole. The beer flowed smoothly and quickly while the number of divots and errant golf balls increased significantly on the back nine.

The lucky prize winners were as follows:

- \$15 closest to pin (2nd hole) — G. Guthreau (fixed)
- \$15 closest to pin (16th hole) — D. Reinhard (next time open your eyes)
- \$10 longest drive (18th hole) — W. Pearson (what was in those Wheaties)
- \$20 low net — J. Mason (he flunked math)

Other prizes were awarded as follows:
Moby Dick Award — Dennis Reinhard — for hitting into 2 different water holes on one tee, the 5th.

Thrifty Award — Bill Stuart — for getting the most swings for his money.

Sloshers Award — Jack Killian — for the biggest withdrawal at the 10th tee.

Woody Woodpecker Award — Carl Lardieri — for the most trees hit on one shot (he thought he was playing pinball).

'HA' Award — on the left cheek is Bill Stuart and on the right cheek is Tim Hayden.

Pepsodent Award — Ken Pinney — for the biggest smile (or was it?).

All in all it was an absolutely brilliant day had by all.

A special thanks must go to Frank Dickerson, Jr. for his time and expertise. Frank handled the entrance fees, the camera, and the beer quite well.

Anyone still looking for some of their lost golf balls please contact Tom Lynch because he found 12 balls.

The next tournament will be on Sunday, October 16th, with tee off time starting at 9:30 a.m. again at Cranbury. Openings will be for 60 golfers. The price will be \$10.50 with a \$5.50 deposit. Contact Gary Guthreau (686-2418).

Golf Scores

Name	Low	Net	Gross	Name	Low	Net	Gross
John Mason	53		79	Tom Ford	70		99
Rich Carton	55		78	Art Weinkmuller	71		98
Bob Brice	56		80	Jack Park	71		101
Tony Crea	57		80	John Gavin	71		106
Gary Guthreau	60		84	Frank DuBeau	72		100
Frank Dante	60		85	D. Kiebler	72		102
Tom Ghuzzi	60		87	Rodney Koza	74		102
Dennis Guidera	61		85	Tom Lynch	76		104
Tim Penk	61		87	Jack Killian	76		109
Bob Baumeister	63		92	Dom Quagliato	78		108
Bob Basmajian, Jr.	64		89	Scott Quagliato	78		110
F. Keibler, Jr.	64		91	Pete Martin	78		112
Nick Psillos	64		94	Vinnie Iannuzzi	71		112
Ed Hackney	65		92	Ted Sodergon	80		112
Craig Lanser	65		93	Tom Kacklereiss	80		115
Walt Pearson	65		94	Charles Prossen	80		115
Jack Ignatowicz	67		94	F. Keibler, Sr.	81		102
Lew Denesh	67		95	Brian Schuettler	82		113
Dennis Reinhard	67		96	Mike Rainone	82		112
Robert Allen	67		98	Art Reinhard	83		119
Lee Drone	68		96	Tony Shans	85		116
Tom Reinhard	68		98	Ron Walsh	85		121
Larry Walck	69		95	Walter Guthreau	86		117
Tony Spallone	69		96	Ron Matuziak	87		120
John Schuettler	69		98	Carl Lardieri	87		122
Tony Piatcowitz	69		100	Rocco Corbo	87		124
Charlie Hahn	70		98	Rich Barber	90		128
Ken Pinney	70		98	Tim Hayden	98		135
Steve Schmidt	70		99	Bill Stuart	99		135

BINGO

ON AUGUST 27th AT 7:30 P.M. THE UNION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL SPONSOR A BINGO NIGHT AT THE BOYS' CLUB GYM. PROCEEDS WILL GO TO A WORTHY CHARITY. COME OUT AND SUPPORT US!