



# Knight Digest



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## TOMKO AND CAPRIGLIONE "CO" KNIGHTS OF THE YEAR

### Columbian Club 1978-1979

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### Telephone Committee

We are in need of one or two Captains. Anyone interested please call Art Weber — 688-7269. All that is required is that you contact, by telephone, about 10 members in the event of the death of a brother. The purpose of this Committee is to have a respectable showing of brothers at the Funeral Home for prayers which takes about 10 minutes.



Barney M. Capriglione, Past Grand Knight, Michael A. Tomko, Past Grand Knight receiving "Knight of the Year" Award from Grand Knight Ken Pinney (center). Tomko a charter member of the Union Council was G.K. in 1974. Capriglione, president of the Union Chapter of Unico, was G.K. the previous year.

### First Friday

Once again we come to that spiritually opportune time of the Council year when we can avail ourselves of all the graces and blessings of the promises Christ made to St. Margaret Mary. Specifically, we refer to the Chaplain's First Friday series which will be resumed on September 8, 1978. PLEASE NOTE THE DATE, advanced one week to avoid conflict with the Labor Day weekend. As usual, Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Home. Father Ed has an interesting and informative program planned for us which will follow the coffee break. Please continue to support your Church Activities Committee by coming out in ever increasing numbers. Make a special effort to interest someone in the First Friday devotion who has not yet enjoyed this spiritual experience.

### Tennis Tournament

The following players have registered for the Knight Digest First Annual Tennis Tournament: Rocco Corbo, John Allison, John Guidera, Dennis Guidera, Mike Wood, Don Gillo, Frank Ott, Ed Denner, Gary Hornig, Jim Donnley, Ed Isbicki and Craig Sully.

In order for this tournament to be held, we need at least four more players. Anyone interested please call Gary Guthreau — 686-2418. You must be a member of the Knights of Columbus. The cut-off date will be September 6. If by that time we do not have at least 16 names there will be no tournament.

### Twenty-Fourth Annual New Jersey K. of C. State Golf Tournament

On October 1st, 1978 the State Council Knights of Columbus will hold its annual Golf Tournament at the Pascack Valley Country Club, Riverdale. The price per golfer will be \$25.00 to include the following: 18 holes of golf; use of lockers, showers, towels, etc.; and a full roast beef dinner. Prizes will also be awarded. Trophies will be: low gross, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd; low net, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, longest drive and closest to the pin. The Calaway System will be used to determine prize winners. Electric carts will also be available.

Reservations will be for the first 110 golfers only with starting times beginning at 9:30 a.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. with jacket and tie requested.

For information contact Gary Guthreau or Al Moretti no later than September 15th.

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## Grand Knights Column

Roy Trupiano



Now is the time for all good brothers to come to the aid of their council.

Summer is ending! The pool is being tacked away! Summertime activities have come to a close (and a job well done by the committee members)! Vacations gone! Another new Columbian year begins, and as usual help is needed.

Most of our committee chairmen are established but we do need chairmen for the following jobs: family life, civic and cultural, community director. If interested please call me. All our chairmen could use your support, so when asked, lend a hand. Our First Friday Program as usual will start on the second Friday in September (the 8th). Father Ed will present interesting subjects and speakers. Henri St. Laurant, our lecturer, has a great program prepared. Come to our meetings and I guarantee you will be enlightened and entertained.

We can and will have a successful year by following these simple guidelines: attend meetings, participate, support the programs and give help whenever and however you can.

## A Letter From A Fellow Brother Knight

Dear Frank,

I'm sorry I didn't answer sooner, but it's hard to find the right words to say, to express my true feelings on the expression of concern and brotherly love received from my brother Knights. It's such a wonderful feeling to know that after all these years I'm still remembered. Very few people are blessed with such sincere friends who show their affection so warmly, at a time when it is most appreciated. It was a thrill to receive the portrait with the many signatures on it. Also, we appreciated the Charter Member Certificate. We were most appreciative of the generous check.

Please express my feelings and gratitude to all my brother Knights at Council #4504.

Healthwise, I'm holding my own. I am now managing to get around the house with the walker. I still need the wheelchair to go any place.

I pray constantly that God will give me the strength and courage to fight my many illnesses.

With kindest personal regards,

Faternally yours,  
Howard R. Leary  
Past Grand Knight

## Council Meeting Lecture

"Romance and Medicare, Too" will be the topic for the lecture-program at the September 25th Council meeting. The presentation will be a "play-by-play" description of widows and widowers who meet at "single" social meetings to talk, dance, romance and how some eventually re-marry and become "re-cycled lovers".

Henri Saint-Laurent, our lecturer, is one of the married graduates from these "close encounters of a different sort". He is a happy second-timer for close to five years. This humorous talk of Henri's has been given to many After-Dinner audiences, Women's Clubs and Executive Associations.

COPO — (Catholic One Parent Organization), sponsored by the Arch-Diocese, has chapters throughout the state and are moderated by parish priests. Membership consists of Catholic widows and widowers who meet at social affairs held monthly in each county. The Union group meets at the K of C Hall in Avenel. There is also a COPO Alumni, made-up of couples who originally met at one of the chapters and who have re-married. This group meet monthly at the K of C Hall in Roselle.

Come out that night and be entertained by the "Saint" and take home some of his marital funnies to share with your wife and friends.

## Attention Brother Knights

The Knight Digest is for your benefit along with the benefit of our committee chairmen. If you are interested in entering an article in the Digest please have all articles to me, Gary Guthreau, by the **first meeting of each month** for the following month's edition, preferably **TYPEWRITTEN**.

A swap column will be initiated this year. If you wish to sell or rent something you may mail an article to the following address:

Knights of Columbus  
1600 Jeanette Avenue  
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Attn.: Gary Guthreau

All articles must be typewritten. You must be a brother knight from Union Council. A fee of \$5.00 must be included. Make check or money order payable to "Knights of Columbus."



## Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Edward M. Swierzbinski

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, made known the very deep truth that, "God is Love." Jesus revealed that the proof of God's love for all was loving them when they were yet sinful and unloveable, before they loved in return. To further show the depths of this love, Christ poured out His Life for us, right to the very piercing of His Heart on the Cross.

In return the now-risen Saviour asks us: "Live on in my love. You will live on in my love if you keep my commandments."

At the end of His earthly life, Jesus sent out the first leaders of His Church to preach this message of love to every man and woman and child who would ever live. To this day our Church continues to preach Christ's Gospel.

Into this grand sweep of God's love, revealed to us in Christ, fits the devotion to the Sacred Heart.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is essentially a worship and response to the PERSON OF JESUS, seen precisely from that understanding of HIM — THAT HE IS A LOVING PERSON.

It is also a call to atonement — a great need today. When we see and hear what is going on in our world today then it is up to us to come together to pray and ask God's forgiveness — to intercede with God for all of us.

This is the challenge for our Columbian Year — to pray as individuals, as members of a family, as members of a parish, as members of the Knights.

The stress will be on Family Liturgy — the need to come together as a family — dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus — to pray and share.

May God hear us as we assemble on First Fridays. May Jesus in His Sacred Heart be truly the center of your life.

We start the series on Friday, Sept. 8 (due to the Labor Day Weekend) then we meet every First Friday until June.

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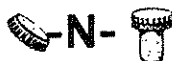
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## State Deputy Meeting

Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechart held the annual meeting of State Deputies at the birthplace of the K. of C. An open air mass was offered at the grave of Father Michael J. McGivney. Bishop Greco said the mass would serve as the initial event in a new four year program to create an awareness in all members, that the Order's centennial will be commemorated during the 100th annual meeting of the Supreme Council in Hartford, Connecticut in 1982. The Supreme Knight stressed that all the state deputies and the membership should understand the basic elements of the Knight's structure. Many activities, projects and programs are carried on by the Knights, he noted, but not all have the same priority. Five basic pillars hold up the structure of the order. These are **membership, insurance, councils, ceremonials, and catholicity**. Dechart said the importance of membership should be self-evident. Without members there cannot be a society. Membership growth is essential, he pointed out, because an organization which stops growing starts dying.

The Supreme Knight said that the insurance program, with its \$4.2 billion in force today, provides the financial muscle which make the order a strong and healthy organization. He added that the bulk of the promotion cost for many religious, charitable, patriotic, and civic programs are paid for through the surplus arising from prudent investment of the insurance assets.

Dechart related that councils are essential because it is only through local councils that the order gains members. He said that councils generate the activities and programs which give life to Columbian ideals. It is also in councils that fraternalism is experienced and exercised, and where new leadership is trained and tested. The value of the ceremonials stems from the fact that they express in dramatic form the order's religious ideals and values. **The Supreme Knight described Catholicity as the glue that bonds together all the other essential features of the order's structure.** Pointing to the Supreme Office Building he said that catholicity serves the same function in the order as does the center concrete shaft of the Supreme Office. He noted that the four visible towers of the building are tied into the central shaft by steel girders rendering it the unseen but pivotal element in the skyscraper. Just as the Supreme Office Building would collapse without the support of the

## Activities for 1978

Family Picnic .....	Sept. 16
Family Day —	
Rutgers Stadium .....	Sept. 17
Past Grand Knights Ball .....	Sept. 30
Halloween Party .....	Oct. 28
Memorial Service .....	Nov. 13
Memorial Mass .....	Nov. 19
Knight Club .....	Nov. 25
Award Dinner Meeting .....	Dec. 11
Appreciation Night .....	Dec. 16
New Year's Eve Dance .....	Dec. 31

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- New York Yankees
- New York Knicks
- Buffalo Sabres
- Washington Capitols
- Milwaukee Bucks
- New England Patriots
- Philadelphia Phillies
- Milwaukee Brewers
- Houston Oilers
- San Diego Chargers

(Answers on back page)

central shaft, so the edifice of the order would fall without the support of the Catholic Faith.

## Sponsor A New Member!

Our Council has some very important goals, pertaining to new members, to strive for in 1978-79. Firstly, we are aiming for at least a 10% increase in new members over 1977-78. Our goal is 110 new members. Secondly, Union Council #4504 is second in the state in total membership (Bayonne Council being the largest). We are not that far behind Bayonne, as of this writing, and with the assistance of all our Brother Knights sponsoring new candidates, we could become the #1 Council in New Jersey.

Any current member who wishes to sponsor a candidate can obtain the necessary forms from me. There shall also be an ample supply of forms at the Council Bar and at the Snack Bar by our pool.

As in the past, any current member who sponsors a designated amount of candidates (determined by Supreme Council) will receive either a trophy or a K of C Jacket, for his efforts, at the year end Awards Dinner. Details on the exact amount of candidates that you must sponsor to be eligible for an award shall be forthcoming in a future Digest issue.

Once the Membership Forms have been completed they can be left at the Council Bar in an envelope, marked to my attention or mailed directly to me at the following address: 302 Stoughton Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey 07016.

**PLEASE sponsor a NEW CANDIDATE so UNION COUNCIL can become #1 in New Jersey.**

Thank you.

Wayne Williams  
Membership Director

## Take a Walk Around Yourself

"When you're criticizing others and finding here and there, a fault or two to speak of or a weakness you can tear; When you're blaming someone's meanness or envying someone else, It is time you want out to take a walk around yourself. We need so often in this life, this balancing of scales; This seeing how much in us wins, and how much in us fails But before you judge another, just to lay him on the shelf, It would be a splendid plan to take a walk around yourself."

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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  
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