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COUNCIL 4504 HONORED

Grand Knight's Message

Robert Armstrong

To My Brother Knights:

Let me first thank you, for the confidence and honor you have bestowed upon me by electing me to lead this great Council to what I hope will be a most successful year. To assist me in this endeavor, I am most fortunate in having loyal, capable and knowledgeable officers and committee chairmen. But all of their time and effort is to no avail if you, not us-but you, do not support them. The Knights of Columbus are like the Church. It is not a building but the union of people bonded together, that gives it the strength it so sorely needs these days.

As it has been so well said "A chain is only as strong as its weakest link." Please ask yourself, are you one of the strong links or one of the missing links? When did you last make a meeting? Why did you stop coming?

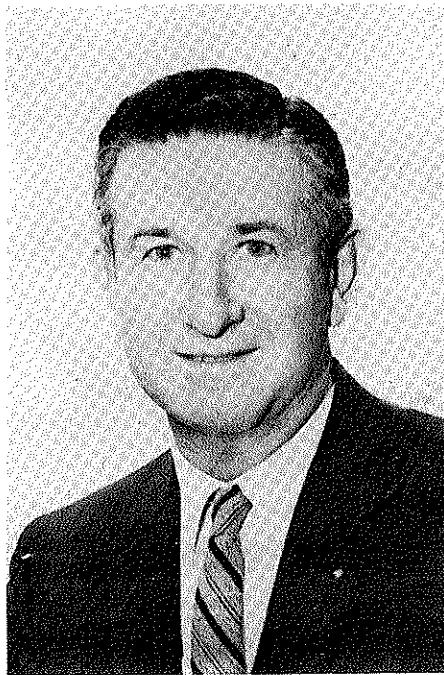
The first social event of our year is the Anniversary Dance, to be held Sept. 19. I have been promised by the Council Activities Committee that it will be an excellent affair with a reasonable price attached.

The Youth bowling will be in full swing shortly, and if you wish to see some body English being put on a ball, drop in at the alleys on a Saturday morning.

And if the weather is nice why not come up to the club and have a picnic with your family. Traffic and parking are not problems. It's your club, why not use it?

As you can see we are under way with all our six point committees. Activities planned and many in operation, all we need is your participation and cooperation. With almost 1100 members on the roster, we average less than 10% at any of our meetings, social or religious functions. A calendar of the monthly events is included in every digest issue. Please make an effort to attend at least one meeting or function in the very near future. I am sure you will find yourself having an enjoyable time and also renew old friendships and make some new ones.

State Honors Union Council #4504 Sept. 28th Speaker



State Deputy
Patrick J. O'Reilley

The guest speaker at the Sept. 28th meeting will be State Deputy Patrick J. O'Reilley. He is coming to bestow upon Union Council the Contest of Champions Award. This award is being presented to the Union Council for bringing into our fraternity 49 new members which means our net gain is the highest in the State.

This accomplishment is another tribute to our great Council, a council which we should continue to make one of the greatest in the State.

You Are Needed

by Jim Moran

This year Union Council is fortunate once again to have a fine, well qualified

group of officers to lead our council to a successful term. They will not succeed, without your full support. Good programs and ideas are nothing unless they can be converted into action. Your participation will do more than help the council, it would permit you to enjoy the rewards that are the natural results of such efforts. Take the easiest path to becoming a good Knight through an active role in K. of C. business. You were interested enough to join this fraternity, be wise enough to use the organization for your benefit. Some of our members have been very active in this council for years. The fine contributions they have made is shown by the excellent condition Union Council is in today. The experience they have is a valuable factor in our future plans; but to depend on them would be a fatal mistake. New blood, new ideas, a fresh viewpoint is needed. The officers and Chairmen welcome these elements. One of the reasons we acquire new members is to grow, and allow more men to enjoy the advantages we offer. Work on a committee this year, contribute to the council's activities. You need the council to be a full Knight. We need you for growth and improvement, and to help us continue spreading charity, fraternity, unity and patriotism.

Council Goes Hawaiian

You Can Still Keep That Promise To Your Wife. Well, almost! You know the one you made about taking her to Hawaii. With the economy on the down swing you have probably found that promise hard to keep.

We have great news. The Union Council has come to your rescue with a little bit of Hawaii at the Hawaiian Luau Dance which will be held at the Council Hall on Sept. 19th in honor of the Council Anniversary. Dance starts at 9 P.M. and tickets are only \$4. per person for a little bit of Hawaii. Do you know how much a plane ticket to Hawaii costs? So just bring your own pillow and join the fun.

As usual, tickets can be bought from Herbie Kay.

Knight Digest

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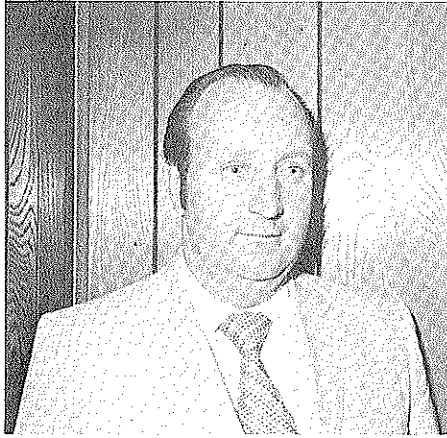
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COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain Rev. John A. Palasits
District Deputy James Greeley
Grand Knight Robert E. Armstrong
Deputy Grand Knight .. Dominick Clementoni
Chancellor Barney Capriglione
Warden Michael Tomko
Advocate James Conlon
Recorder William Renner
Financial Sec. James Confroy P.G.K.
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Inside Guard John Winters
Outside Guard Michael A. LaMotta
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Trustee Henry Skarbek P.G.K.
Trustee Julian Pruszkowski P.G.K.

Knight of the Month September, 1970



John Winters

Union Council is indeed proud of our Knight of the Month. He has been very active in many facets of our Council.

John Winters has been a member for 3 years and has proved himself a great credit to our Council. He has worked with the interviewing committee, chairman of telephone committee, co-chairman of the State Convention and recently has served as Instructor in our formation degrees for which he has received high acclaim from the State Degree teams.

John resides in Irvington with his charming wife Betty. John is now serving our Council as Inside Guard. Congratulations John for all your contributions.

Remember in Your Prayers
CHARLES L. MINERVINO

Swim Club Splashes

The pool will close Labor Day Sept. 7th. On the following Saturday, Sept. 12th we will require a work party to close and winterize the pool. Those who attend will be entitled to a work party pass as usual. Keep in mind those who attend the required amount of work parties will be entitled to attend our appreciation night to be held in the Fall.

We are always interested in hearing what our members have to say about how the pool is operated during the season. In accordance with our rules and regulations 6B, all suggestions and complaints must be in writing, signed and mailed to Columbian Swim Club, Box 1206, Union, N.J. 07083. Please explain in detail any suggestions or complaints so that we may have a clear picture of same and may act intelligently on them.

Anyone who has not picked up his copy of the By Laws — Rules and Regulations, recently revised and published, may request a copy from any Director or by mail. If you already have one please do not request another — only one to a member family.

Bill Taylor

CALENDAR

SEPT 12 Youth Bowling Begins
SEPT 14 Regular Meeting
SEPT 19 Hawaiian Luau Dance
 9 P.M. \$4.00 per person
SEPT 28 Regular Meeting
 State Deputy Pat J. O'Reilly
OCT 12 Regular Meeting
OCT 16, 17, 18 .. Retreat Week-End
OCT 26 Regular Meeting
OCT 31 Halloween Dance
NOV 9 Regular Meeting
NOV 22 Sunday — Blood Bank
NOV 23 Regular Meeting
NOV 28 Snowball Dance
DEC 14 Christmas Dinner —
 Meeting Night
DEC (Later) . Childrens Christmas
 Party
DEC 31 New Years Eve Dance

Council Activities

by Vince Iannuzzi

On behalf of myself and my committee I would like to say welcome to my brother Knights. We will try to make this a most enjoyable and unforgettable year.

Mark these dates on your calendar. Plan to spend them at Union Council. Each one will be a special occasion.

September 19th — 9 P.M. The council will hold its Anniversary Dance. We plan to start off the year with a bang by featuring a "LUAU SMORGASBORD." If you have not already purchased your tickets see Herbie Kay. Tickets will be \$4.00 per person. Bring your own pillow as you will be sitting Luau style. There will be music and food a plenty so grab your best gal and come to an evening that promises to be a gala event.

October 31st is the night planned for the Halloween dance. Tickets are now available from Herbie Kay. This is also a fun time affair so get your tickets early and be sure of a seat.

November 28th. Dinner dance held in honor of our past Grand Knight, Jules Pruszkowski and past Columbian Club President, Michael Pacyna. This is one not to be missed. Show your thanks for the splendid job they have done for the council this past year by your attendance at this dance.

December 31st. New Year's Eve Dance. This is the last but not the least of the affairs planned for 1970. You'll surely want to attend this gala affair.

Do Your Thing!

How would you like to join your kids, in their thing? They say it's Woodstock, or any other meeting place. Well, we say it's a retreat, with Christ, and a renewal of yourself.

This is a call of all practical Catholics to find out where its at. So get with it, go to San Alphonzo's Retreat House in Long Branch, N.J., it's a new two-year old building looking out over the ocean.

With a refreshing outlook like this, how can you miss but to come back a new person both spiritually and physically. If you are interested, contact Dan Soos, Catholic Activities or Jim Moran at any meeting.

Five in Seventy-Five

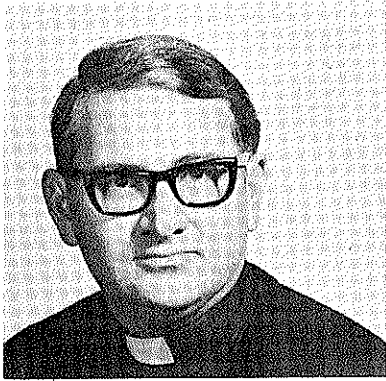
Once again, with God's guiding hand, Council #4504 will venture on a new fiscal year. New membership will remain as the old format. That is: The blank forms can be picked up at the council's lounge or from the membership chairman.

When the form is completed it can be given to any officer of Council #4504, left at the council lounge or given to J. Bilicska for quick execution.

Remember: when sponsoring a new member he is your direct responsibility and should be followed, by you, from the interview table to his Knighthood Degree. Be proud of him and he will be proud of you.

So lets 5 in 75.

THE TORCH HAS PASSED

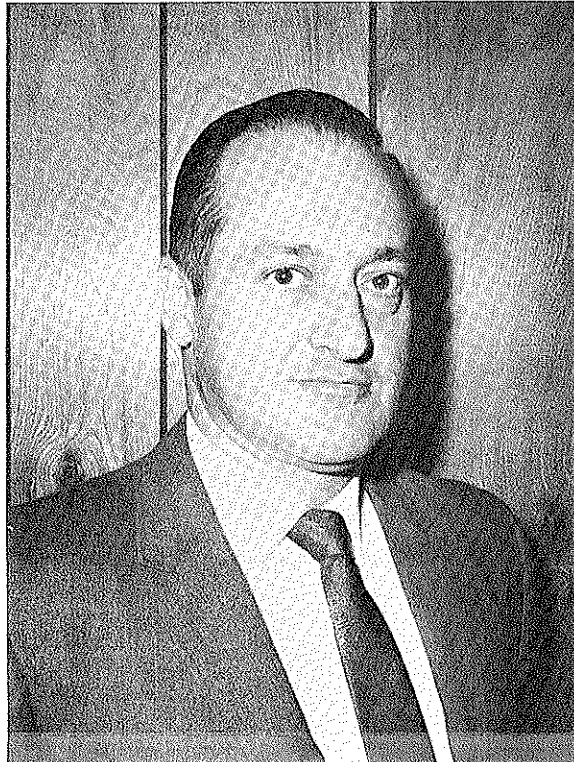


Rev. John A. Palasits
Chaplain

MEET YOUR 1970 — 71 COUNCIL OFFICERS



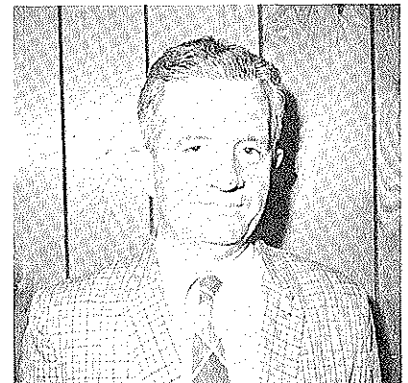
Domenick Clementoni
Deputy Grand Knight
Wife — Lorraine
Employed — Esso Research & Eng. Co.



Robert Armstrong
Grand Knight
Wife — Marie
Employed — Airco



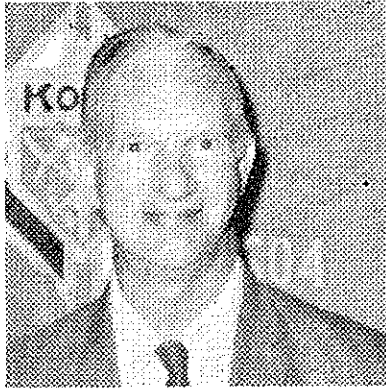
Barney Capriglione
Chancellor
Wife — Myrtle
Employed — Suburban Realty Assoc.



Michael Tomko
Warden
Wife — Helen
Employed — Worthington Corp.



Raymond P. Sullivan
Treasurer
Wife — Ann
Employed — Linde Corp.



William D. Renner
Recorder
Wife — Betty
Employed — Schering Corp.



John Winters
Inside Guard
Wife — Betty
Employed — Irvings Auto Body



James Conlon
Advocate
Wife — Joan
Employed — Attorney at Law



James Confroy P.G.K.
Financial Secretary
Wife — Pat
Employed — Schering Corp.



Michael A. LaMotta
Outside Guard
Wife — Martha
Employed — Federal Reserve Bank



Henry Skarbek P.G.K.
Trustee
Wife — Ruth
Employed — Berkley Saving & Loan



J. Russell Coen P.G.K.
Trustee
Wife — Eleanor
Employed — U.S. Postal Service



Julian Pruszkowski P.G.K.
Trustee
Wife — Pat
Employed — Inter Chemical Corp.



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. John A. Palasits

The Beatitudes of A Christian Homelife

Blessed is the home where prayer is said, because therein dwells the Lord.

Blessed is the home where Sundays and holy days are observed, for its inhabitants shall enjoy the festival of heaven.

Blessed is the home from which they do not go out to sinful entertainments, for there will reign true Christian joy and pleasure.

Blessed is the home where blasphemy, intemperance, immoral magazines and books, lewd pictures, dirty language never enter, for there will rest the blessings of peace.

Blessed is the home where infants are born and soon baptized, for there are formed the children of God.

Blessed is the home where the doctrine of Christ is loved and learned; where the Church's laws of Sunday Mass, confession and Communion, fast and abstinence, are faithfully observed, for there will the light of living faith shine forth to all men.

Blessed is the home where the priest is called in time for the dying, for there illness will be alleviated and death will be blessed.

Blessed is the home where parents are consoled by the love of obedient children, for it will be the dwelling place of just men, the sanctuary of virtues and the tabernacle of salvation.

Father Palasits

From the Editor's Desk

I would like all articles for the Digest in my hands by the first meeting of the month. It would be appreciated that all articles be typewritten. Articles may also be mailed directly to my home.

Larry Seaver
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Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076

Congratulations Are In Order

The following Brother Knights received their First or Admission Degrees on July 27.

Ralph J. Amato
Marco R. Caruso
Robert N. D'Agostino
Frank Dumarot
Anthony M. Shans
Robert A. Stevens

We look forward to seeing all of you at our meetings and Council activities. Remember, an active Knight is a worthwhile Knight.

Random Thoughts

by Jim Moran

In this column I have tried to write remarks of truth, wit, the passing scene, interesting facts, and anything I thought would be of interest to the men. Since most of the Knights are married, items that they can relate to, and are understood by the average reader, are in order. The relationship of man and woman provides an almost endless subject for sayings. Therefore many statements have been made on this topic. They have been from the male point of view, which is natural under the circumstance. Some of the wives of council members have bought the marriage items to my attention (I'm complimented and happy they read the column). My responsibilities as an Amateur Columnist and as a Knight, are to the men so it must be written with them in mind. I will give, this one time only, my true feelings on marriage so you'll know my sarcasm is merely in jest ... The great secret of successful marriage is to treat all disasters as incidents, and none of the incidents as disasters ... A happy marriage is a long conversation that seems all too short ... It takes two to make marriage a success, and only one a failure ... Marriage is an investment that always pays dividends, but only if you pay interest ... Marriage is singular, you add one and one and make one ... The aim of marriage should be to give the best years of your life to the spouse who makes them the best ... For a happy marriage you need the gifts of understanding, consideration, gentleness and wisdom. Together the couple must be sweethearts and helpmates through life's good and bad times. Their state in life has a special joy that guards and guides the husband and wife, along the path of deep, true love ... A view of wedded life I agree on comes from an unknown poet; *"Love in marriage is the passionate and abiding desire on the part of two people to produce together conditions under which each can be and spontaneously express, his real self; to produce together an intellectual soil and an emotional climate in which each can flourish, far superior to what either could achieve alone"* ... This column is affectionately dedicated to "Ann".

Jim Moran

Youth Bowling League

The way to build a champion bowler is to start him young. Our Family Activities Committee is helping to start champions by again sponsoring the Youth Bowling League which will begin Sept. 12th between 9 and 12 A.M.

Any Brother Knight that has a child nine years old or older and would like to see his child become a first class bowler, just call Bruce Bentz at 688-3263 for final details on where to meet Sept. 12th.

Athletic Committee's Program for 1970—1971

OCT 4, 1970—Football Game—(Sunday)
Philadelphia Eagles vs. Washington Redskins — Bus Leaves Council Hall 10:30 A.M. — Cost Per Ticket **\$14.00** (Includes - Bus - Beer - Soda & Sandwiches - Roast Beef in Hall on return)

NOV 1, 1970 — Hockey Game (Sun. Eve.) New York Rangers vs. Chicago Black Hawks — Bus leaves Council Hall 5:30 P.M. — Cost Per Ticket **\$8.00** — (Includes Bus, Beer, Soda)

DEC 27, 1970 — Basketball Game (Sun. Afternoon) New York Knick's vs. Baltimore Bullets—Bus Leaves Council Hall 1:30 P.M. — Cost Per Ticket **\$8.50** — (Includes Bus, Beer, Soda).

JAN 30, 1971 — Basketball Game (Sat. Eve.) New York Knick's vs. Philadelphia 76'ers — Bus Leaves Council Hall 6:45 P.M. — Cost Per Ticket **\$8.50**— (Includes Bus, Beer, Soda).

FEB 14, 1971 — Hockey Game (Sun. Eve.) New York Rangers vs. St. Louis Blues — Bus Leaves Council Hall 5:30 P.M. — Cost Per Ticket **\$8.00** (Includes Bus, Beer, Soda).

For ticket reservations call — Frank Dickerson — 687-4353, Art Reinhard — 688-6931.

A \$2.00 deposit per ticket is required to confirm a reservation — Full price must be paid 2 weeks prior to the event.

Reservations for all events will be accepted in advance.

Faternally Yours
Frank Dickerson &
Art Reinhard
Co-Chairmen
Athletic Committee

Brother Knight Bill Renner Honored

Elizabeth, N.J. resident, Bill Renner has been appointed vice-president for Communications by the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE), a 9,000-member society of safety professionals.

Mr. Renner, Manager of Accident Prevention and Health Services at Schering Corporation in Union, N.J., was appointed for the 1970-71 society year. His primary duties in his new office will be to coordinate all society publications — the monthly Journal, instruction manuals, and brochures; to coordinate public relations.

ASSE is a professional organization of individuals whose primary on-the-job duties are to prevent accidents, injuries, and illnesses among employees; and to protect property. Members are employed by all segments of the economy: manufacturing, trades, services, construction, government, insurance, as well as private consultants.