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## OPERATION CONCERN 1972 WILKES-BARRE FLOOD RELIEF

This year the New Jersey State Council K of C is undertaking the project of aiding the victims of tropical storm Agnes in the Wilkes-Barre area of Pa. Some of us have roots in Pa. and all of us know someone who comes from Pa. We feel this almost as a personal disaster. A few weeks ago our State Advocate, Joseph Luciano; State Program Director, Robert Wade and State Director of Community Activities, Joseph Gonnello, visited the area and came away with a feeling of disbelief. However, the thing that impressed this group most was the spirit of the people. Most intended to remain and rebuild.

Operation Concern's effort is divided into two parts, Fund Raising and Providing Manpower and Materials for the stricken area.

On October 23, the membership of Union Council 4504, at its regular business meeting, unanimously passed a resolution to donate the profits from the minstrel show held last April to this worthwhile cause.

But are we going to stop there? Help is needed to clean and rebuild the area. Arrangements have been made through Community Activities Director Joe Gonnello to muster New Jersey K of C Councils to provide Material and Manpower for the stricken area. Brother Knights all throughout the State are responding to the call.

WHY NOT SIGN UP WITH PROGRAM DIRECTOR VINCENT IANNUZZI OR DOM CLEMENTONI, P.G.K. TO SPEND A SATURDAY HELPING OUT.

Just one closing note. On the side of a mud-caked Kingston home, drawn with a finger, was the sign "GOD STILL LOVES US" . . .

Dom Clementoni PGK



### "A Time for Giving"

On Sunday, November 12, 1972, all Brother Knights and their families between the ages of 18 and 65 are asked to come out and "GIVE A PINT OF BLOOD". This is a wonderful way for Brother Knights to help each other and, possibly, themselves.

A sincere effort made by each council member will insure that this life-giving substance will be on hand if the need arises.

Again this year we plan on serving a fine roast beef dinner to all donors.

So remember November 12 and come out and "GIVE".

Fraternal Chairman  
Thomas W. Kachelriess

Editor's Note: If you wanted to give blood BUT you're not sure you are able (for any reason), please come out on Nov. 12th and we will have a doctor tell you for certain whether you can donate or not.

If you can't donate at this time check with us and we will give you an alternate date and place where you can give for the Knights of Columbus (4504).

### REMINDER

UNION COUNCIL 4504  
WILL EXEMPLIFY THIS  
FIRST NEW MAJOR DEGREE  
ON  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1972  
IN HONOR OF  
REV. EDWARD M. SWIERZBINSKI

### Another REMINDER

UNION COUNCIL 4504  
WILL REMEMBER  
ITS DECEASED BROTHERS  
AT A MEMORIAL MASS  
SUN., NOV. 12, 1972 AT 9:05 A.M.  
ST. MICHAEL'S R.C. CHURCH  
ALSO  
MASS AND SERVICES  
MON., NOV. 13, 1972 AT 8:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL HOME

### A Day of Recollection

Msgr. Richard McGuinness  
and  
Fr. Edward Swierzbinski  
request the company of  
ALL INTERESTED Brother Knights  
and  
their Wives  
on December 10, 1972  
at The Council Home  
between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.  
to discuss  
Religious Myths and Realities  
(There will be a Mass  
immediately after the program)

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## Calendar of Events

Sun., Nov. 12 ..... Blood Bank  
Sun., Nov. 12 ..... Memorial Services  
9:05 St. Michaels Church  
Mon., Nov. 13 ..... Memorial Services  
(Council Hall)  
Regular Meeting  
Sat., Nov. 18 ..... Skating Party (Day)  
So. Mountain  
Sat., Nov. 18 ..... Knight Club Dance  
(Evening)  
Wed., Nov. 22 ... Knight Hood Degree  
Thurs., Nov. 23 .... Thanksgiving Day  
Mon., Nov. 27 ..... Regular Meeting  
Admission Degree  
Sat., Dec. 2 ..... Dinner Dance  
Honoring Our Past  
Grand Knight and  
celebrating the Council's  
15th Anniversary  
Sun., Dec. 10 .... Day of Recollection  
(Council Home)  
3 to 6 p.m.  
Mon., Dec. 11 ..... Regular Meeting

## Also Another Reminder

Our Annual Christmas Dinner Meeting on Dec. 11th, 1972. Tickets on sale \$2.00 per person.

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## Westfield Choral Group Performs

On Monday, October 9, 1972, the Union Council Knights of Columbus was treated to some good old-fashioned "Barber Shop" harmony. The group performing was from Westfield and are part of a 30,000 member National Society of "Barber Shop" harmony devotees.

Thirty-six members and their leader, Jack Robinson, performed such standard favorites as "Toot, Toot, Tootsie", "Side by Side" and "I Believe" with flawless quality.

You too can enjoy the harmonious strains of this excellent group on December 1st and 2nd when they perform their Silver Anniversary concert at the Westfield Senior High School.

Tickets may be purchased through the Union Council Knights of Columbus by contacting Lecturer, Andy Tobia.

Any male who has an "ear" for music and is interested in singing "Barber Shop" harmony can apply for membership in the Westfield group by attending one of their weekly meetings (every Thursday at 8 p.m.) which are held at the Westfield Knights of Columbus Council Home on North Avenue.

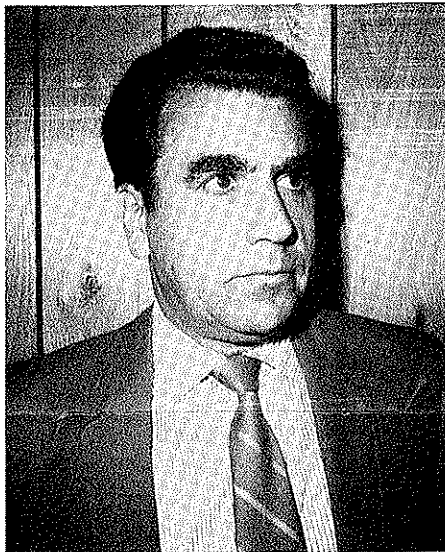
## J.F.K. 4th Degree News

The John F. Kennedy General Assembly, 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, held their Annual Dinner and Dance at the "Chanticleer" in Millburn on the evening of Friday the 13th of October. There were 256 people in attendance. Among the dignitaries present were State Deputy, Ray O'Brien; Master, SK Alfred Morse; District Deputy, George Luppolo; G.K. Barney Capriglione; G.K. George Mattiello; the officers of J.F.K. Assembly and Seven Past Faithful Navigators. Toastmaster for the evening was S.K. Matt Rinaldo. Entertainment was provided by SK Robert Drew and Gilda Mirizio; singing musical selections from Broadway shows. Music was furnished during the Cocktail Hour by Charles Sammarco on the Electrolox Accordion. Music for dancing for dancing was provided by the Sentimentals. All in all, it was an enjoyable evening for all who attended. It is anticipated that next year the dance will also be held at the Chanticleer.

One of the real highlights of the evening this year was the presentation of the 4th Degree Knight of the Year Award. The Award for 1972 was presented to SK Ray Sullivan. Ray was taken by surprise, but no one else was once his name was mentioned since the award was greatly deserved. Ray is not only a hard worker but a true Catholic Patriot.

The December Meeting of the Assembly will be an Open Meeting with the wives of the members invited for a buffet and get-together after the meeting.

## Knight of the Month November 1972

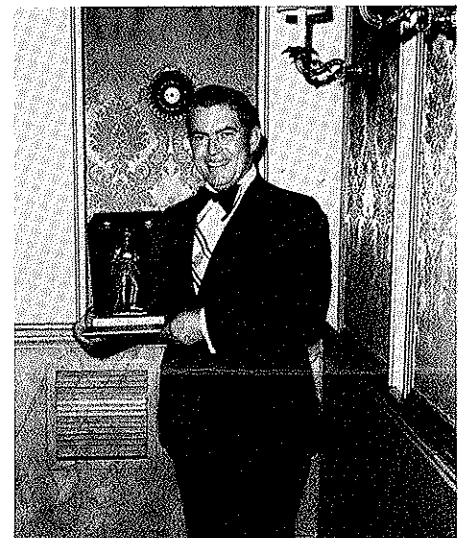


Dominick A. Gugliato is the Knight of the Month for November. Although he's been a member of Union Council for only three years he has made his mark. He is a past Fraternal Activities Chairman and can be seen often as a member of our kitchen crew.

Dom is married and he and his wife, Joan, can boast of three lovely children; Dom Jr., Marcia and Scott. He and his family belong to St. Michael's Parish here in Union.

Dom is employed as a salesman for E. F. Hauserman Company of Hillside.

All the Knights of the Month of Union seem to have a general rule; and that is to be classified as willing workers whenever needed. Thank you Dom, for not being an exception to that rule.



SK Raymond Sullivan  
Sir Knight of the Year  
1972-1973

## Make your reservations NOW!

15TH ANNIVERSARY  
AND PAST GRAND KNIGHTS  
DINNER DANCE  
SAT., DEC. 2, 1972  
COCKTAILS 7:30 TO 8:30  
DINNER AT 9:00 P.M.  
COME OUT AND  
JOIN THE MEMBERSHIP  
TO HONOR OUR P.G.K.  
DOMINICK CLEMENTONI



Dear Brothers:

Perhaps one of the greatest compliments bestowed upon a Grand Knight is the cooperation and diligent hard work of his Officers and Committeemen.

These brothers have performed their talents by their hard work with earnest desires to Keep Union Council the great council that it is.

Our officers have studied and rehearsed many hours in preparation for our **First Formation Degree** which was exemplified on Monday, October 16, 1972. And those who attended this degree can attest to the beauty and dignity that is a part of Union Council.

Our Program Director, Vincent Iannuzzi, has many scheduled events for the coming months. His Fraternal Activities Chairman, Tom Kachelriess, has already formulated the Memorial Mass for Sunday, November 12th at St. Michael's 9:05 Mass. Our Annual Blood Bank will also be on November 12th at our Council Home. The Memorial Services will be held on Monday, November 13th, at the Council.

Allow me at this time to thank our Catholic Activities Chairman, Frank Hunt, for the living rosary and retreat which were held in October.

Council Activities Chairman, Vinnie (Muzzie) Mirizzio, must certainly be commended for his beautiful efforts in making his first dance, "Italian Night", a success, and I'm very confident that his following social events will be equally successful. Thanks again, Com Pare.

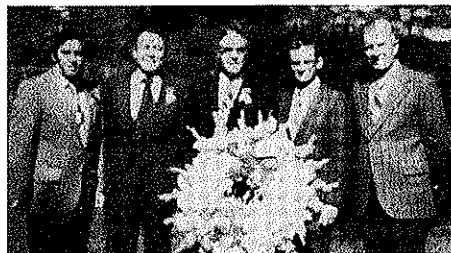
I guess I can go on and on in writing and thanking our officers and committeemen for all their loyalty and cooperation, and hard work, but then again they are working for the betterment of our order and council and personally all they ask in return is a little help and encouragement from you our membership. You, brothers, have the talents; put them to use and let's keep our council the No. 1 Council that it is.

Come out November 22, 1972, to see the **first** Major degree at our Council. Again, another first in Union County.

On behalf of the officers I would like to extend to you and yours a most blessed and thankful Thanksgiving.

Fraternally yours,  
Barney Capriglione

## Columbus Day Celebration



## Random Thoughts

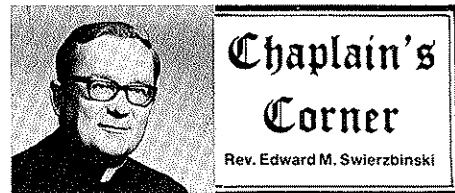
These days about all you get for a dollar is a hand waiting for more . . . Ask not for whom the telephone bell tolls; if thou art in the tub, it tolls for thee . . . Love is like a mushroom, one never knows whether it is the real thing until it is too late . . . Political conventions consist of a donkey, an elephant and a lot of bull . . . The heritage of the past is the seed that brings forth the harvest of the future . . . All this nonsense about equality bores me. Women were meant to be loved, not to be understood . . . The accent of today may be on our youth, but the stress is on the parents . . . There was a fellow who was so conceited he joined the navy so the world could see him . . . Girls have an unfair advantage over men: If they can't get what they want by being smart, they can get it being dumb . . . Death and taxes are inevitable but death has the decency to collect only once . . . Politicians are like ships; noisiest when lost in a fog . . . Funny how a dollar can look so big when you take it to church, and so small when you take it to the store . . . Bigamy is the only crime on the books where two rites make a wrong . . . Pins are usually crazy, they are pointed on one end and headed in the other . . . Man at airline ticket counter: "I'll take two chances on your next flight to Miami" . . . Did you read about the Army taking beef stew off its menu? What I want to know is, since when did the Army have a menu? . . . A gossip talks to you about others, a bore talks to you about himself, and a brilliant conversationalist talks to you about yourself . . . Horse sense is what a horse has that keeps him from betting on people . . . In the old days a boy used to give his girl a class ring when they were going steady. Now he lets her use his hair curlers . . . Majorities mean nothing: during the Flood only one man knew enough to get out of the rain . . . If schools are overcrowded, it's because the building rate cannot keep up with the breeding rate . . . We squander our health in search of wealth, we toil, we sweat, we save. Then we squander our wealth in search of health and only find the grave.

Jim Moran

## Lecturer Program November 27, 1972 A Bill Renner Special

Ask and you shall receive, and that is just what I did. Knowing that Bill Renner has access to a lot of goodies; on November 27, he will show a 1971 Super Bowl Film. I'm sure that all you sports minded Brothers will go for this Sports Event. Try and make it and bring another Brother Knight with you. Come on out and socialize with us. There are a lot of **YOUSE** that I haven't seen in years!

Lecturer,  
Andy Tobia



Our Council has many activities. We can be proud of that. Among the activities is the Annual Day for prayer and thought. This year it will be on December 10th. I hope that I can be proud of our council on that day. Remember it's for the Knights and their Ladies. The time is 3 p.m.

Msgr. McGuinness and I will share some thoughts with you and then we will have a long question and answer period.

Again, I want to remind all that they voluntarily joined the Knights which is first and above all a Catholic fraternity. We are constantly being told by everything in our manuals and by our officers that we are to be militant Catholics.

The measure of our success will be not the social or charitable work, but whether we **all** are striving to be more Christlike.

As I have often said at our meetings — our goal is excellence not mediocrity. To put it in the familiar terms — we must be ambassadors of Christ wherever we are. Let them recognize that we are Knights by listening to us and seeing our actions.

## The Retreat

Father Costello; Grand Knight, Barney Capriglione, and Lecturer, Andrew Tobia, shown together during the regular Knights of Columbus meeting Monday night, September 25, at the Council Home on Jeannette Avenue.

Father Costello is a priest of the Redemptorist Order which is in charge of the San Alfonso Retreat House in West End, N. J. He gave a short talk on its function and showed a film on the happenings of a weekend stay at the Retreat Home.

This Lecturer's Program was held in conjunction with our successful retreat the Council initiated for the weekend of October 20, 21 and 22.

We all thank the Redemptorists of San Alfonso for making Union Council 4504 comfortable during our profitable stay.

