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## 84th Supreme Convention

Vacation 1966 is one the Taylor family will long remember. This is the year that dear old dad was happily chosen as delegate to the 84th Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus, held at the Hotel Fountain Bleu in Miami Beach, Florida. Once chosen, all sorts of good things began to happen. First and foremost of these was the awarding of some financial assistance by the Council. The Supreme Council pays each delegate an ample sum for the delegate himself. Through the generosity of Union Council I was able to include my wife and my two daughters. After many mishaps, which included our flight and hotel accommodations, we finally arrived at our destination, which was the Barcelona Hotel.

On Tuesday, the business session opened at 2:00 P.M. and all the delegates were seated, the Supreme Secretary called the roll of the three hundred and eighty-seven delegates. At 7:30 P.M. on Tuesday, there was a state dinner, a formal affair attended by some fifteen hundred persons. At the 10:00 A.M. session on Wednesday, the reports of the supreme officers were accepted and Supreme Knight "John Mc Devitt" gave his report. Brother Mc Devitt is a wonderful speaker, his command of the language is outstanding, his diction, a study in perfection. At this session, eight directors were re-elected or elected, the re-election on Dan Mc Cormick of New Jersey was of prime interest to us. The afternoon session on Wednesday was given over to the showing of a new K. of C. film, titled "Papal Challenge". This is an excellent piece of work. At the end of which Pope Paul the Sixth appeared on the screen. At this session, Monsignor Mc Carrick, rector of Catholics in Puerto Rico, was the principle speaker, and like Supreme Knight Mc Devitt, a true artist in the use and delivery of the English language. Also on display in the room at this session, which was open to the public, was displayed the Pope's Tiara which he gave to relieve the suffering of the poor. At the final session on Thursday the all important business of resolutions was the order of the day. Some one hundred and fifty-

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## UNION COUNCIL 4504 WELCOMES TO SAINT MICHAEL'S, REV. THOMAS G. GRANT

### Hackensack Priest Named New Pastor for St. Michael's

The Rev. Thomas G. Grant, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Hackensack, has been appointed pastor of St. Michael's Church, Union. Fr. Grant, whose appointment takes effect Sept. 24, will succeed the late Msgr. Edward J. Begley, who died August 4 at the age of 79.

Father Grant, 61, will be the second pastor in the history of St. Michael's, which was founded as a mission in 1929 by the late Rev. Thomas Larkin. Msgr. Begley was named St. Michael's first pastor in December, 1936.

The new pastor will take over a debt-free parish complex that includes a 16-classroom elementary school; an 11-year-old air-conditioned church seating 1,000, in addition to a basement chapel that accommodates another 600 persons, a rectory and a convent. St. Michael's which until the establishment of Holy Spirit Church three years ago had been the only Roman Catholic parish in the township, lists 3,000 families on its rolls.

The Rev. Joseph Driscoll, who has served as parish administrator since the death of Msgr. Begley, will remain at St. Michael's as a curate. Other curates are the Rev. Raymond Waldron and the Rev. John Palasits.



A native of Elizabeth, Father Grant was reared in Hillside. He was graduated from Seton Hall Prep and Seton Hall College, South Orange. He completed his training for the priesthood at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington, and was ordained in Newark May 30, 1931, by the late Archbishop Thomas Walsh.

His first assignment was as a curate at St. Joseph's Church, Newark, where he remained for six months. He then went to St. Joseph's of the Palisades, West New York. After 22 years there, he was made pastor of the Heckensack Church, Hackensack, in March, 1954.

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1034 Jeanette Avenue  
Union, New Jersey  
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Dear Father Grant:

*We, of the Union Council Knights of Columbus join with the parishoners of Saint Michael's' Parish in welcoming you as their new Pastor.*

*We would like to extend to you our heartfelt wishes and prayers for a successful stay. As true Knights at the Roundtable of our Lord we stand ready to work with you and for you.*

*Consider our Council home a home away from home and feel free to participate in any or all of our Council activities.*

*May our Lord watch over you and answer your prayers and ours for Christian unity and brotherhood.*

*Fraternally yours,*

*Officers and Brother Knights*

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## CALENDAR

- OCTOBER 3 — MONDAY**  
Communion Banquet, 7:30 Mass  
St. Michael's Parish, Dinner immediately after Mass at Council Home.
- OCTOBER 10 — MONDAY**  
Regular Council Meeting.
- OCTOBER 15 — SATURDAY**  
Fourth Degree Dinner Dance at Hotel Suburban.
- OCTOBER 19 — WEDNESDAY**  
Regular Fourth Degree Meeting.
- OCTOBER 24 — MONDAY**  
Regular Council Meeting.
- OCTOBER 25 — TUESDAY**  
Living Rosary Holy Spirit Parish  
8:00 P.M.
- OCTOBER 27 — THURSDAY**  
Columbian Club Meeting.
- OCTOBER 29 — SATURDAY EVE**  
Annual Halloween Dance at  
— Council Home — 9:00 P.M.

## Early Reminder Union Council Blood Bank

Brother Knights and members of their families who want to Donate Blood should sign up at the Council Home.

Date  
SUNDAY, NOV. 13, 1966

Time  
1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Place  
COUNCIL HOME

Dinner will be served to all  
DONORS

Please contact Andy Tobia  
for further information  
MU 7-9348

## 84th SUPREME CONVENTION (Continued)

four resolutions were presented to the supreme board of directors for consideration. Many of course, were repetitious.

1. The Supreme Council recommends that all state councils form a committee charged with the responsibility to educate membership through committees in subordinate councils concerning "The Menace of Atheistic Communism," and to arouse public opinion to the dangers involved therein.

(10) Resolve that the Supreme Council whole-heartedly support the stand of the U. S. in Viet-Nam.

(31) Resolve that state and subordinate councils everywhere, participate in cooperative efforts aimed at eliminating discrimination of all kinds.

(47) Resolve that the Supreme Council charges all of its members to fully participate in the apostolic role that the second Vatican Council has defined for them, and encourages them to make themselves conversant on the subject.

(48) Resolve that Section 127 be amended to read "only insurance members shall be eligible for the office of financial secretary." This section shall not apply to associate councils. (This section previously read "financial secretary and treasurer").

(89) Resolve that the K. of C. objects to the admission of Communist China to membership in the U. N. Condemn trade with this bandit nation and protest against diplomatic recognition of Communist China by the U. S. A.

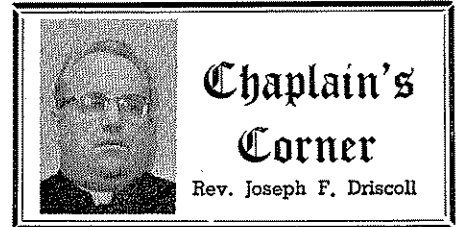
(102) That all members are encouraged to buy a certificate of insurance for their sons, from the Order, to encourage them to become members when eligible.

(150) Resolved that the laws of the Order be amended as follows: Sec. 122B (Council funds) — add in the first line after the word money "in excess of twenty-five dollars" this means any amount under twenty-five dollars can be spent without a resolution or vote on council floor. Add to the Order of business, for regular business, meetings of every subordinate council, in Section 125 and numbered 21 without an asterisk, the words "Chaplains report" and renumber the parts following accordingly. Delete subdivision 1 of Section 109 and substitute a new subdivision (1). This calls for only 1 reading of an application for membership instead of the two here-to-fore required.

(152) The Le Farge Institute to be financially assisted by Catholic action of K. of C.

(153) Supreme Knight called for brothers to safeguard the dignity of the clergy.

(154) Salary of Supreme Secretary set at \$25,000 annually.



## Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

One of the most important contributions a Council may make to the life of its community is the example given by its members in their religious, social, and business lives. Emphasis then should be made by the Catholic activities each year in programs that provide the opportunity for each Knight to question the image he is giving in these areas of his life.

Your Catholic Activities Committee is aware of this analysis and is seriously striving to plan and arrange these opportunities. We ask you to take the initiative to speak with your chairman and cooperate fully with him. We ask you to sustain him and all the officers and chairmen with your advice and even more with your collaboration, your agreement and affectionate loyalty. To translate the structure of the organization into a successful effort of charity demands the realization of each Knight that he has pledged himself to a full participation in the program. Perhaps what is lacking in the program is your talent, your energy, your ingenuity, your spirit of enthusiasm.

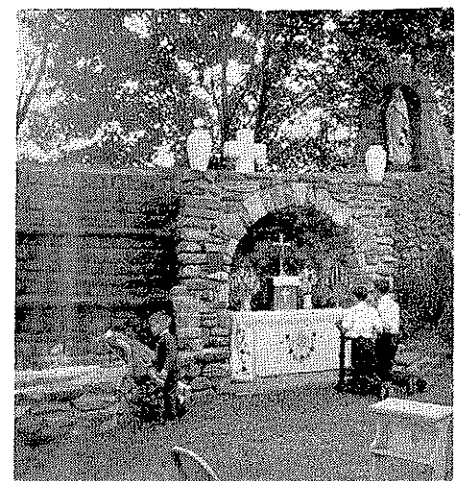
## Our Trip to Williamstown

On Sunday, Sept. 18th, the New Jersey State Council, held its Annual Pilgrimage for Peace at St. Mary's Church and Shrine, Williamstown, New Jersey.

Forty-seven members of Union Council #4504 participated in the "processional march" reciting the Rosary, as 163 members of their families reviewed the march.

Immediately following the procession, the "Litany of our Lady" and "prayers for lasting peace" were recited before an outdoor altar. Ceremonies ended with solemn benediction.

Many thanks go to you, Robert Palasits, for a day well planned.



## Grand Knight's Message

Walter Wasowski



The past few months have impressed upon me the all important need for the spirit of harmony and unity in an organization as large as Union Council.

Due to the complexity of operation, the responsibility of overseeing the different facets has been relegated to various members of the organization. The Board of Directors of the Columbian Club are charged with the operation, maintenance and improvement of our building and grounds. The Board of Governors are in charge of the Columbian Swim Club.

By virtue of the organizational structure, it appears at times that we are headed in different directions. A reassessment of our objective, the furthering of the interests of Union Council becomes necessary.

We should all agree that healthy discussion, presentation of different points of view, is to be encouraged and welcomed. Debate, however, should be confined to that area where all can be heard, the Council chamber and at the appointed time; the council meeting. Further, we should be willing to concede that upon proper presentation and debate, following the democratic process, the will of the majority is to prevail. All brothers then should close ranks in a spirit of unity and work together regardless of any position or view previously championed.

Our Worthy Chaplain, speaking at the installation of your Council Officers, a few weeks ago, pointed out that prior to making any criticism of any of your chosen representatives, an examination of an individual's own faults would leave very little time for criticizing others.

Let us all pledge at this time, to rededicate ourselves to work in harmony and unity with our Officers and brothers of this Council for the best interests of Union Council, the Order and Holy Mother Church.

We have scheduled an exemplification of the Major Degree for December 2nd, the Anniversary date of the Council. Let us all make a determined effort to bring a practical Catholic friend, acquaintance or relative into the Order at that time.

Remember in your Prayers

the Soul of

JAMES JOSEPH DRISCOLL



## Knight of the Month

Edward R. Stoneck

October brings Autumn, Halloween and a New Knight of the Month.

His name is Edward R. Stoneck, an extremely active member of our Council and the Columbian Swim Club.

When not at the Council Home, Ed resides at 1218 Schmidt Ave., Union.

Agnes, his wife of 23 years, Ellen, Michael, James and Kathleen look forward to spending sometime with the man of the house. A married son, Edward lives in Irvington, N. J.

Ed is the owner of Rug Craftsmen on Springfield Ave., Irvington. Noted for his wit around the Council Home, Ed's latest pride and joy is his stereo unit which is his method of relaxation.

Along with our congratulations for being chosen Knight of the Month, go our sincere wish for a healthy and prosperous future.



District Deputies Dennis Burke and Jim Conroy congratulate Walter Wasowski as Grand Knight.

## Installation of Officers

The most solemn and impressive ceremony of our council year took place on Monday, September 12th, after our regular council meeting.

District Deputies Dennis Burke and James Confroy formally installed the newly appointed officers to their new positions.

For the first time, the wives and families of our officers were invited to attend the installation ceremonies. We were very pleased to see that many availed themselves of the opportunity to attend a council function which here-to-fore has been a closed session.

During the buffet following the installation, Barbara Wasowski described the installation "as a night her family will long remember."

## ONE DOWN THREE TO GO FOR '66

I would like to announce at this time that the anniversary dance was a huge success. We had a sell out crowd and a great time was had by all.

I want to thank each of the following committee members for their participation in helping to make the dance a huge success: Tony Sibilia, Anthony Dunelwicz, Joseph Hamryko, Cliff Morris, Ed Stonack, Herbie Kay, Vince Ianuzzio, Tony Venezia, Rocco Corbo, Frank Bartolomeo, Bill Renner, Frank Pribula, and last but not least Bob Holler. The bandstand and decorations were in tune with the theme which was the "Gay Nineties."

Many of our brother knights were disappointed because they were unable to purchase tickets. Mark this date on your calendar — October 29, 1966. This is the date of the next dance, which of course will be our Halloween Dance. As in the past, this dance was always a sell-out.



Tickets will go on sale in two weeks, make your reservations at that time to assure yourself and your friends a blast!!!! Do you remember this Maharaja at our last Halloween Dance?

**BUFFET, DANCING AND PRIZES**  
\$3.00 per person



Grand Knight Walter Wasowski congratulates Wm. Zurich on his successful gay Nineties Dance.