



Knight Digest



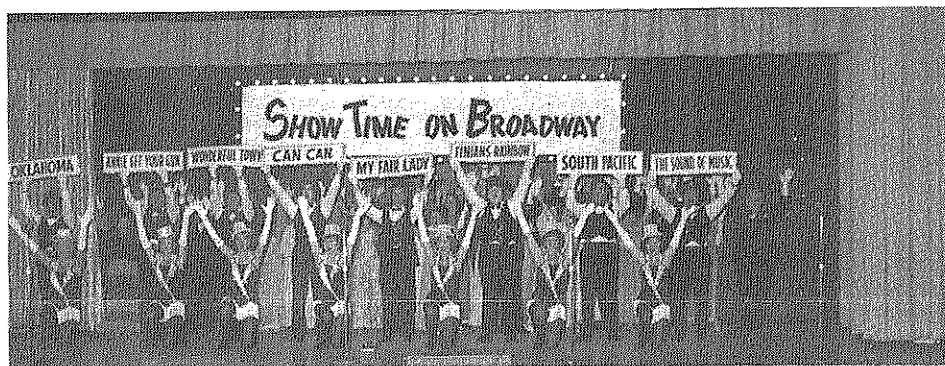
Union Council 4504

Vol. 13 No. 22

UNION, N. J.

MAY 1973

YOUR SHOW OF SHOWS MARCH 30, 31 — 1973



A "Knights" of Nights

Another opening, another show, another success for Council #4504. For the second year Union Council has put on a musical show using the talents of members, their families and friends. Those that attended our "Knight on Broadway" witnessed a musical treat based on excerpts from 25 hit shows. Included were some of the finest melodies from the pens of the Broadway masters. Our cast of 100 did full justice to the scores with enthusiast singing and dancing. Hard work, long hours, and a united effort between the on stage and back stage personnel resulted in a smooth production. For months men and women gave up evenings with their families, and had quickly eaten meals, to produce our project. The sets and costumes were wonderful, showing

much care and good taste. The enjoyment of the cast spread to the audience, who responded with applause that reflected its delight at the stage happenings. We had a full house at the high school both Friday and Saturday nights, Saturday having been sold out well in advance.

To name individuals and give them their proper credit would be impossible in our limited space. The officers and members are deeply grateful to each one who contributed in small or large ways to our success. Two people must be mentioned who contributed in a special way to the show. Joe Ruddy, who created, produced, directed and organized "Knight on Broadway", gave us the full benefit of his excellent artistic and musical judgment. Very few could have drawn together the various elements of the show in the well paced

manner to which he developed it. Our Grand Knight, Barney Capriglione's part in all aspects of the production cannot be overpraised. It was Barney who recognized that last year's performance could be expanded into another effort to help our charitable fund. He assisted Joe from the planning stage, appointed men for committees, gave helpful advice, opened his home to principal player rehearsals, took time off from his real estate office to pick up needed items, and took an active part in the show with his wife. In the middle of his activities he continued to take on the full responsibilities as our Grand Knight (a full time job in itself). Its a wonder Barney had any rest at all. Grand is a very appropriate title for our Grand Knights work on behalf of "Knight on Broadway."

Jim Moran

Knight Digest

This bulletin is published monthly, except August, by, and in the interest of Union Council 4504, Knights of Columbus. Entered as third class matter April 23, 1958 at Post Office, Union, N. J.

EDITOR — Joe Willmore
STAFF

Jim Moran — Ed Olas
Joseph Bilicska

**UNION COUNCIL #4504
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
AWARDS DINNER
MEETING
AT
COUNCIL HOME
MONDAY, JUNE 25, 1973
7 P.M. DONATION \$2.00**

Calendar of Events

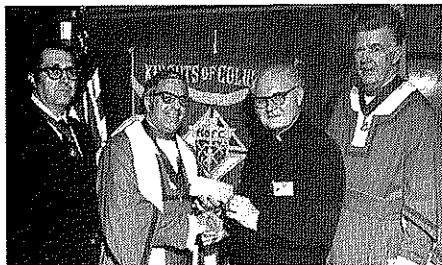
May 4, Fri. Major Degree
8:30 p.m. Council Home
May 7, Mon. Officers Meeting
8:15 p.m. Council Home
May 11, Fri. Priest, Nuns &
Widows Night
Council Home 6:00 p.m.
May 14, Mon. Regular Council
Meeting 8:15 p.m. Council Home
May 18, 19 & 20 State Convention
Atlantic City, N. J.
May 21, Mon. Swim Club Meeting
Council Home 8:00 p.m.
May 24, Thurs. Columbian Club
Meeting Council Home 8:00 p.m.
May 26, Sat. Pool Opening
with Mass 11 p.m.
May 27, Sun. May Crowning
Council Home 2:00 p.m.
May 28, Mon. Regular Meeting
8:15 p.m. Council Home
May 28, Mon. Memorial Day
Parade — Parade Grounds 9:00 a.m.

Convention News

The Annual Knights of Columbus State Convention will be held this year on May 18, 19 and 20th in Atlantic City. Let's welcome the new State Deputy and his officers by being there to encourage and assist them. Please call Deputy Grand Knight Michael Tomko at 686-3925 or Chancellor Jack Winters on 375-7515 for reservations and information regarding State Convention. See you there!

Memorial Day

All members of Union Council who desire to march in the Memorial Day Parade meet on Monday, May 28th at Stuyvesant and Morris Ave. at 9 a.m. Make every effort to attend.



At a regular meeting held on Monday, April 23, Grand Knight Barney Capriglione from Union Council 4504 presents to State Chaplain Monsignor Henry Beck a donation of \$1500 to Project Concern. Looking on is District Deputy Edward Schuler and P.G.K. Dominick Clementoni. Total donation to date is \$2500 from Union Council 4504.

April 26, 1973

Dear Brother Knight:

The Building Expansion Committee of the Columbian Club has received the approval to proceed with the actual Expansion Program as outlined and voted upon at the meeting of February 26, 1973.

Since that time the Committee has been busily engaged in the formulation of the financial and architectural planning in the light of what is most beneficial for all. We feel that the "legalese" is now in order and we can move forward to the first stages of expansion.

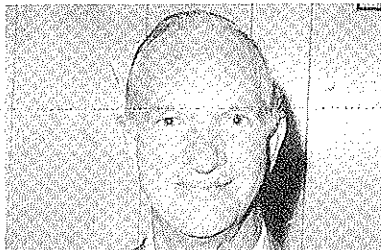
In the very near future a member of the Finance Committee will contact you and explain in detail our plan for financing this important program and the part you may play in assisting us.

We look forward to your anticipated cooperation in making this venture a large success.

Please watch the Knights Digest and the Council Bulletin Board for more in depth reporting on the progress of the Building Program.

Fraternally yours,
Frank J. Dickerson PGK
Chairman

Knight of the Month May 1973



William D. Renner of 35 DeWitt Road, Elizabeth, has been a sincere and dedicated individual of our council in many past programs. He has served as a past officer of our council, and is presently an officer of the Swim Club, and serves with distinction no matter how small or large the detail. Bill can usually be seen where there is a job to be done, a "G.I. Party" or taking part in our "Knight Shows."

He, his wife Betty and family at home are parishioners of Immaculate Conception Parish, Elizabeth.

Bill is a supervisor of Shering Corp. in Union, and is also a National Officer of the Safety Council.

It's good to have you on our team Bill and we're grateful for all your efforts and accomplishments.

Annual Message Knights Digest

The Scholarship Committee of Union Council is now accepting applications for the annual scholarships for the 1973-1974 school year. The closing date for the applications will be June 15. Early filing with the Committee will be appreciated because certain confidential information must be obtained to aid in a fair determination of the worthy recipients.

The scholarships are available to one boy and one girl each year. To qualify, the applicant must be the child or brother or sister of a member in good standing or a deceased member of this council. They must pass the Archdiocesan High School entrance examination and be accepted by a Catholic High School. Preference for the scholarships will be decided by the Committee on the basis of need as well as scholastic ability.

The recipients will be awarded an additional sum each year upon proof of satisfactory fulfillment of the scholarship requirements of the high school.

Information and applications can be obtained from P.G.K. Henry F.J. Skarbek, Jr. 778 Prospect Street, Maplewood, N. J. 07040. Telephone 761-5274.

Youth Accomplishment

Joanne Cantalupo daughter of Brother Knight Joseph Cantalupo, was presented the "All Events Trophy" which is the highest award the Junior Bowling Association gives.

Joanne took high game in the girl's division with a 199, high series in the girl's division with a 565 and between the girls and boys division in the single events Joanne came in third with a 545.

As Joe La Gregor, manager of the Four Seasons put it, "Joanne is a real champ."

Club News

Every year on Good Friday there is the usual clean-up of the hall, bar, kitchen, basement, rest rooms and recreation room. I would like to personally thank the brothers who put in many hard worked hours.

Arthur Reinhard, Thomas Reinhard, Harold Parrish, Joseph Bilicska, James Ford, Anthony Piatkiewicz, Lee Linfante, Joseph Mulligan, Walter Wasowski, Jack Bruno, William Renner, Frank Dickerson, John Killian and Robert Koslowski.

Joseph Savastano, Rocco Corbo, James Brady, Walter Guthreau, Edward Izbicki, Gene Le Compte, Herbie Kay, Peter Martin, Robert Donnelly, Walter Hoelderlin, Arthur Kastner, Robert Basmajian, Mike Tomko and Art Reimers.

I plead with all clubs and organizations to please return the hall in the same condition you received it. It's your building be proud of it. Remember the famous words of President Kennedy, "It's not what the club could do for you, but what YOU could do for" the club.

Thank you,
Walter Guthreau
Columbian Club President



Glorious May is here again, the season of rebirth and rejuvenation. The time of year when everything comes to life again after the death of the winter. Birds nest, flowers bloom, insects swarm and we feel the touch of God's hand all around us.

Throughout the years, we as Catholics have paid homage and respect to the Blessed Virgin, the Mother of Jesus more so in the month of May which has always been dedicated to her.

We are all children of Mary and there is nothing closer to a mother than her child. Pray to our Blessed Lady and you will find peace of mind and release from worldly problems.

This year with a special dedication to "Mary" our Council will renew an old tradition the "May Crowning". This event will take place on Sunday, May 27th at the Council.

Our Catholic Activities Chairman Frank Hunt is planning this celebration for all members, their families and friends.

Our Annual Convention will be held in Atlantic City again on May 18, 19 & 20. A good time to be had by all.

It is also most important that we not forget our men who served in the Armed Forces. Therefore I urge all of our members to come out and represent Union Council in the Memorial Day Parade on May 28th. This year with a truce in Vietnam and the many who will never come home again, be proud to march.

Check the Bulletin for further details. We really don't need Mother's Day to remember our mothers, but it is a nice way to tell her how important she is and how well loved she'll always be.

Fraternally yours,
Barney Capriglione

Random Thoughts

You can't win. If you run after money, you're materialistic. If you don't get it, you're a loser. If you get it and keep it, you're a miser. If you don't try to get it, you lack ambition. If you get it and spend it, you're a spendthrift. If you still have it after a lifetime of work, you're a fool, who never got any fun out of life.

Maturity in a leader is the ability to deal with people of widely differing opinion, temperament, and taste without allowing these differences to interfere with the effectiveness of work or the warmth of human acceptance.

The habit of being polite is one of the finest qualities of human nature. It makes life more interesting, more agreeable and more truly worthwhile. Politeness and having a pleasant, cheerful disposition helps to lengthen life. Keep cool and you'll win in the end. A pleasant word or smile at the right moment

can solve many tense situations. Being considerate, courteous and cooperative will enhance any person's stature.

The Art of the Full Life — Only one who knows the art of the full life can feel at every age, the beauty and dignity, the great value of life. Youth's springtime may pass, but the summer, the autumn, and even the winter of human existence, offer their own high challenges, their own special joys. One who sees immortality in all things who ever strives toward the ideal, who lives with gratitude, enthusiasm and courage; finds life's deepest satisfaction and knows the art of the full life.

The humorous man, recognizes that absolute purity, absolute justice, absolute logic and perfection are beyond human achievement, and that men have been able to live happily for thousands of years in a state of genial frailty.

Jim Moran

An Open Letter To Members of Council 4504

Brothers:

Recently the Council sponsored a show, titled "A Knight On Broadway". It was an artistic and a financial success, and received great praise from those who were able to obtain tickets and attend one of its two performances at the Burnet Junior High School. Surplus proceeds for this major Council effort of the year will go to the relief of a worthy charity.

Early in its planning stages this show, or rather the proponents of this show, received criticism and negative reaction on the Council floor and at that informal sound-off spot "The Bar". To each other, a keystone of our order's objective, was strongly lacking on some of these occasions — but we do live in a free democratic society, and enjoy the privilege of sounding off about all things, rightly or wrongly.

I was privileged to be a member of the cast. My role was a minor one in the idiom of the opera world, I "carried a spear." So I had lots of time to observe, night after night of rehearsal time, including Sundays. I observed with interest, and gradually my admiration of many of my brother Knights grew. I watched men like Joe Ruddy, Rick Farro, Ray Sullivan, Sam Bruzzi, Peter Deo, Barney Capriglione, Bill Giordano, Vince Iannuzzi, Joe Mulhern, Joe Willmore, just to delve again into the idiom, "work their butts off" to produce entertainment for 1800 people, and in so doing perform a good work in the name of Council 4504.

Other Brothers, their wives, children, members of their families worked hard and long to perfect routines, project their talent, gave of themselves unsparingly during many long and tiresome hours (7 p.m. to way past midnight was the common thing, 3 and 4 nights a week for the last 3 weeks of the rehearsal period). We got tired — darned tired — but the show went on and went on well, which was our desired reward.

The purpose of this communication is to express one man's thanks, to those dedicated people mentioned and un-

mentioned who worked so hard, and so long, truly in the name of Charity and to the credit of Council 4504. Some needy people will be helped in a material way, the Council has been helped in the fulfillment of its Charity obligations, the cast has been helped in a spiritual way, and by forging a bond of fellowship and accomplishment, to borrow a phrase from U.S. Naval tradition in extending highest praise for good work I say simply to Joe Ruddy, Rick Farro, Ray Sullivan, Grand Knight Barney Capriglione, Deputy Grand Knight Mike Tomko and my fellow cast member Brothers, your wives and families: "Well Done!"

Fraternally,
Bill Renner

Swim Club Opens May 26th

The Columbian Swim Club is rapidly completing the necessary pre-season planning and work to make the pool and all facilities ready for opening day on May 26, 1973.

The pool manager for the 1973 Swim Club Season is Mr. Frank Gagliano, and in charge of the gate, Wally Moeltner.

The volunteer work parties are completing the necessary maintenance to get the pool ready for opening. The work parties convene at 9 a.m. on Saturdays and 6 p.m. on Wednesdays. These work parties will continue until opening day. After the pool opens, work parties will be announced and posted on the bulletin board. All work party passes will be valid for the next season.

The pool will open on May 26th, 27th and 28th, and it will also be opened the weekend of June 2nd and 9th. The pool will be opened continuously, from June 16th through September 3rd, 1973.

A paid-up Knights of Columbus traveling card must be presented in order to pick up your membership badges. All Swim Club members are requested to review the rules and regulations governing the membership in the Columbian Swim Club. All rules within the pool area will be **strictly enforced**.

There will be Mass held at 11 a.m. on May 26th, 1973, by Father Ed, at the poolside. Activities for the 1973 season will be posted as soon as possible.

A Note of Thanks

All of us will miss a man who has devoted 10 years of time, work, and a lot of planning, to make this Swim Club what it is today. The Board of Governors has, with deep regret accepted the resignation of Frank Zusi. A big THANK YOU to Frank. The Board of Governors of the Columbian Swim Club, voted unanimously for Frank Cosenza to replace Frank Zusi for the remainder of the year as director in charge of pool and grounds.

Fraternally yours,
Andy Tobia