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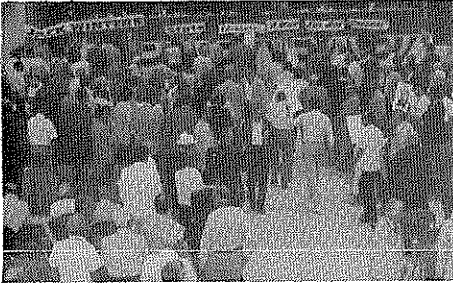
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CONVENTION 85



The 1985 annual New Jersey State Knights of Columbus Convention to say the least was a success from both a recognition and social stand.

The 100 people who journeyed to Wildwood this year were treated to excellent weather, good fellowship and an outstanding hospitality room. DGK Mike Ward is to be commended for organizing this years convention and suffice it to say all had a very good time due to his planning and the help he received from many of those who were in attendance.

Union Council itself enjoyed a very favorable convention. Two resolutions we had proposed were accepted and approved by the delegation for action. One involved the creation of a non-denominational chapel at Newark Airport and the other to have a Knights of Columbus monument placed on Ellis Island. As regarding awards, we received two very prestigious awards. First we received the Supreme Council award for Community Activities; secondly we were honored as having the best First Degree team in the Diocese.

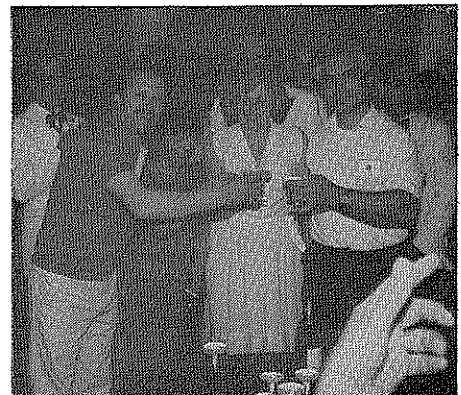
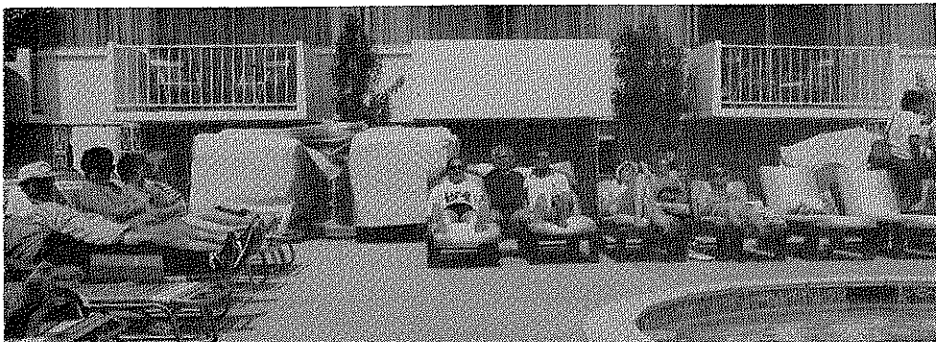
The award from Supreme was due largely because of the Chinese Auction that was held in October and I have to thank PGK Barney Capriglione who chaired the activity as well as the many brothers and their wives who helped make it all possible.

Under the direction of Ceremonial Chairman PGK Tom Hornig the members of the First Degree team are Mike Ward DGK; Tom McGarvey, Chancellor; Paul Sandy, Warden; Jack Kelly, Inside Guard; Frank Dickerson PGK, Financial Secretary; Julius Kiss PGK and myself. I want to commend each of these men for their untiring efforts to make this team the one by which all others were judged. There is little doubt that Union Council will continue to excel in this area.

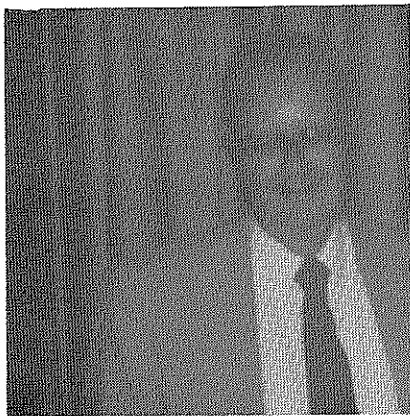
Leonard J. Pannucci
Grand Knight



GK Lon Pannucci along with PGK Tom Hornig receives the prestigious Supreme Community Activities Award from State Deputy James Lowe.



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH JUNE 1985 GENE DOUGHERTY



Union Council 4504 is pleased to announce our Knight of The Month for June, Gene Dougherty.

Gene and his wife Peggy reside in Maplewood and are communicants of Our Lady of Sorrows Church in South Orange. His daughter Eileen is a senior at St. Francis College in Pennsylvania.

Gene is employed as an engineer with the government. He has been a Knight of Columbus for 25 years, 5 years with Union Council.

Gene is presently serving our council as our church activities director being responsible for our two Rose Sundays and our First Friday program.

He loves gardening, taking pictures and like baseball, football and swimming.

Union council 4504 is proud to present Gene Dougherty as our Knight of the Month for June 1985.

BOWLERS NEEDED

Interested in bowling with your Council in September:

Contact:

Mike Ferrise — 964-9225

or

Jim Bayer — 687-7334

NOTICE Knights Jackets

The jackets that were ordered on April 22nd will be in on June 10th. Also at that time anyone wishing to order a jacket may do so.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June

- 2 Township Heritage Day
- 7 First Friday 7 P.M. Covenant House
- 10 Council Meeting
- 14 Flag Day ceremonies at the Elk's Club
- 15 Council Bowling Dinner
- 21 Third Degree
- 24 Awards Dinner Meeting
6:30 P.M.

For summer activities check under the Columbian Club section.



Suddenly it's June. Doing about 90 mph since July between meetings, degrees, meetings, dinners, meetings, bingos, meetings, council activities, meetings, convention and lastly more meetings, everything comes to a conclusion. All the planning for my term started in January of 1984 and in retrospect every bit of that time was necessary. The magnitude of responsibility in being the Grand Knight of this great council is indescribable. In addition to the time I was indeed fortunate to be able to call on people such as PGKs Barney Capriglione, Tom Hornig and Dominic Clementoni to lend their experience to our programs. Chaplain Fr. Kushko, while learning the duties of a Chaplain, was of immeasurable support in helping to keep matters in a proper prospective. Program Director John Salvatore coordinated the various council committees with his usual sense of dedication and timeliness. Membership Chairman Tony Manocchio's efforts resulted in 75 new members.

To all committee chairmen, my beautiful thanks. The growth of the council is based largely upon the programs offered and their success. This year, the council chairmen typically, gave their time and efforts to ensure successful activities.

In the area of charitable donations, this has been a banner year for 4504. Under PGK Barney Capriglione, the Chinese Auction netted \$4500. The efforts of Al Mench, Frank Rubino and Bob McArdle resulted in \$2600 from the

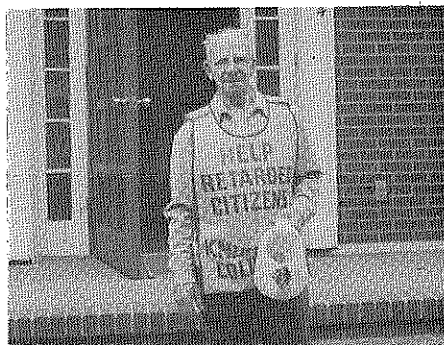
Valentine's Dance. Lastly under Jack Kelly and Mike Gasser, \$6500 was raised during the Retarded Citizens Drive. That's close to \$14000 raised specifically to be donated to the various charities supported by the Council. These men and the many volunteers to supported these activities are to be highly commended.

I cannot say enough about my fellow officers. Each of them accepted the responsibilities of their positions and carried them out diligently and efficiently. Their support for the programs this year was greatly appreciated. DGK Mike Ward was always available to step in when I was not available and is to be particularly commended for coordinating and running a very successful convention.

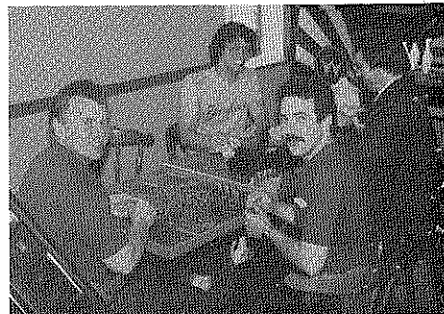
Last and certainly not least, I must publically thank my family for their loyal and unquestionable support, not only this year but in all of my years as a council officer. Besides being mother and father for a large part of the last 5 years, my wife Doris was also secretary and helped me to keep up with schedule demands of the Grand Knight. She perhaps had as challenging a year as I did. I'm sure the wives of the Past Grand Knights will know what I mean. I cannot say enough about the help I received from my sons Jimmy and Stephan. Whether it was helping to run an activity, set up the hall or more importantly, watching their little brother Matthew so Doris and I could attend a council function; there was never a question. They recognized the help they were giving. It will be an honor for me to sponsor their membership when they turn 18.

To you, the members of Union Council, I want to thank you for all help and support you have given me over the years, it has been an honor and pleasure to be your Grand Knight.

Thank you.



Volunteer Rich Metzler leaves the Council on his way to collect for the Retarded Citizens Drive.

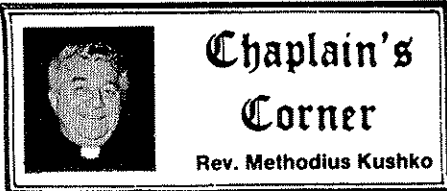


Co-chairmen Jack Kelly and Mike Gasser with the help of Mike Carr and Lou Solinski are totaling some of the money collected during the drive.

"LEST THEY BE FORGOTTEN"

- FRANK DUMAROT
- ANDREW F. MADOS
- JAMES E. BRADY
- LOUIS S. DE PAUL
- WILLIAM R. WOZNAK
- FEDERICK M. VOLLBERLISH
- MERLE L. DUNN
- MICHAEL CRISTADORA
- EDWARD E. KLEISSLER
- JOSEPH P. PALMUCCI
- MICHAEL R. FULTON
- JULIUS M. LIST
- JOHN ZARINKO
- JOSEPH A. BACHSTADT
- ROBERT W. KOLSTER
- JOHN J. GASPER
- JOHN WASILEWSKI
- VINCENT ZAMBOLLA

On a final note this year, let us remember our brother Knights who are no longer with us and will be greatly missed.



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Methodius Kushko

The month of May is dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. The church had her reasons to place a special emphasis on Mary in this beautiful month. When we lack historical knowledge, then we think that "it just happened." Yet, the Christians in the first two centuries venerated her in the month of May. These Christians knew Mary; they knew where she lived; they knew where she died; and where she was buried. And when they arrived at her tomb and found it empty; they believed that she was born without original sin. These beautiful Christians knew this in the spirit of faith — it wasn't common intellectual knowledge. They knew it in faith.

Since Vatican II we have witnessed a waning in favor of devotion towards the Mother of God. A malaise has set in similar to period in which St. Clement Hofbauer lived and worked in Poland and Germany. The theology professors at the universities were liberal and worldly and they taught half-truths. St. John Neumann; the fourth bishop of Philadelphia likewise incurred this kind of spiritual sickness when he was seminary student in Prague in the 1820's like St. Clement Hofbauer. Both of these Redemptorist saints clung to the teachings of their parents and they clung to the faith of the peasants of Bohemia and this living faith put them in good stead. They grew up to become canonized saints. Both of them exercised a strong devotion to Mary, the mother of Jesus. Who remembers the names of these liberal professors? They probably ended up in the garbage can of history having affected many students' lives in a negative and empty way!

The same tragedy is awaiting the liberal Catholic priests and liberal bishops who to-day want to be up-to-date in the spirit of Vatican II? They want to be with it whatever "it" is. It is sad to learn that the Blue Army which is a fervent group which propagates the Fatima message is ignored by the liberal clergy. And this hurts me and I'm sure that this lukewarmness hurt you too. All of this liberality will come to pass, perhaps very soon; because Mary has selected her priests and bishops who belong to her movement. This movement under her direction continues to draw her faithful closer to herself and thereby closer to Jesus! Her work is done in a silent way, yet it doesn't appear to be visible — but she is surely leading us to Calvary, to the Cross — to teach us how to suffer with Jesus.

Please remember that if my description fits you, the reader, then if the hat fits — please wear it. No offense intended. I love Mary!

**REMEMBER
FIRST FRIDAY
JUNE 7 at 7 P.M.**

COLUMBIAN CLUB CORNER

SUMMER ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday, June 22 "DANCING UNDER THE STARS"

You will be entertained by a live DJ who will play the latest hits in addition to the "oldies but goodies". Free admission. A special raffle will be held on the Patio.

Friday, June 28 "FISH FRY"

The traditional fish fry in the Patio (in the Council Hall in case of rain). For \$6 (\$3 for children). In addition we will have a DJ for your dining and dancing pleasure. See Jim Johnson, Jack Robbins or Joe Tortora for tickets. Deadline — June 21.

Saturday, July 6 MIDNIGHT BOWLING FOR COUPLES

We will first meet at the Council at 9:00 for snacks. Then its off to the Garden State Bowl. Total cost is \$10 per person. Call Jim Johnson, Deadline: June 15.

Saturday, July 13 SUMMER SWIM DANCE

At 7:00 P.M.

In addition there will be an open bar all evening and continuous music for your listening and dancing pleasure. Our Council chefs will prepare the meal.

The cost of the entire package is only \$35 a couple. Call Joe Tortora (688-1422) to reserve your table. This affair is usually a sell out.

Friday, July 19 NIGHT AT THE RACES

Try your luck in the Patio (in the Council Hall in case of rain) Free admission. First race is at 7:30.

Saturday, July 27 BINGO

At the Boys Club.

Saturday, August 3 "THE BIG BAND" (rain date August 10)

We will have a 17 piece band playing the big hits from the 20's to the present in our Picnic Area. Free admission. Please bring your own lawn chair. There will be a dancing area.

Saturday, August 10 rain date for the "BIG BAND"

Saturday, August 10 TRIP TO MONMOUTH RACE TRACK

See Jules Pruszkowski for details.

Saturday, August 17 FISH FRY

On the Patio (in the Council Hall in case of rain) we again will have our fish fry. Cost is \$6 per adult. See Jim Johnson, Jack Robbins or Joe Tortora for tickets. Deadline August 3.

Saturday, August 24 ONE DAY BUS TRIP TO THE INTREPID & SOUTH STREET SEAPORT

We will depart on a chartered bus from the Council at 9 A.M. Our first port of call in New York is the decommissioned naval carrier, U.S.S. INTREPID. Then, we travel to the South Street Seaport. Cost for transportation and admission to the Intrepid is \$23. Call Jim Johnson. Deadline for reservations August 5.

Saturday, August 24 PINOCHLE TOURNAMENT ON THE PATIO

Saturday, August 31 COLUMBIAN CLUB DINNER/DANCE

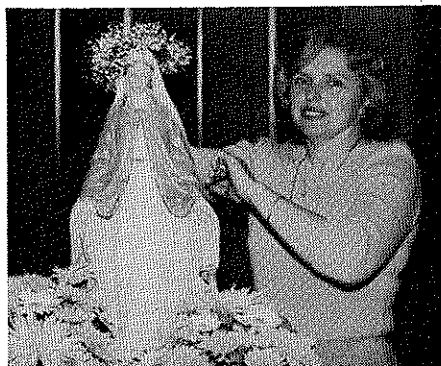
Details to be announced

During the summer there will be specials at the Patio Bar; \$5 dinners, on Friday nights, in the Bar Lounge and additional trips to Atlantic City. Please check the bulletin boards for notices.

TELEPHONE

While saying goodbye and good luck to Captain Jim Adorna, (Team 3), who has moved from this area, we welcome his replacement, Jim O'Connell. Jim is the son-in-law of Captain Stanley Firuta as is another captain, Bob Pfarr. We believe this is the only family with three members on the committee. We are just about keeping our head above water with a full committee, minus one. We just cannot seem to get enough volunteers to give us a full committee and a reserve or two. Please help! Call me anytime or see me at a meeting.

Art Weber
688-7269



Doris Pannucci at the May crowning held during the May First Friday Services.

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