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Columbus Week

Each year more interest is being shown by social and civic groups in making the celebration of Columbus Day an outstanding affair. Certainly we Knights of Columbus should honor our patron at this time. Union Council will start off the week of Columbus Day with the 8:30 Sunday Mass at the Holy Spirit Church on October 10th, followed by a continental breakfast back at the Council. In an effort to give Columbus his due honors, we encourage **all** members to participate with the Council officers in the Union Township Columbus Celebration to be held at Columbus Park in back of Kean College (coming from Union Center, turn right at the Town & Campus light). This will also be on Sunday the 10th at 10:30 a.m. This is an important event that shows the town we practice what we preach. Monday the 11th, we'll hold a special Admission Degree in honor of our name bearer, with a Formation Degree on Wednesday the 13th, and Knighthood Degree on Friday the 15th. The Second Degree will be in Garwood and the Third in Elizabeth. This unusual series of degrees is being done at the request of the State and Supreme Councils, and the candidates will be notified of the extra honor to them of coming into our organization as a full member all in the same week. Please do your part at these events by attending. Your attendance at the Degrees, will prove to the new brothers you are glad to have them join us.

4th Degree Installation

The John F. Kennedy General Assembly 4th Degree Knights of Columbus held an installation of officers at Union Council Home 1034 Jeanette Avenue, Union, New Jersey on Wednesday, September 15, 1976.

Msgr. Francis X. Coyle celebrated the Mass.

The officers installed are:

- S.K. Raymond Oakes
Faithful Navigator
- S.K. Philip Sammarco
Faithful Captain
- S.K. Robert Armstrong
Faithful Pilot
- S.K. Martin Reiff PFN
Faithful Admiral
- S.K. J. David Schardien
Faithful Comptroller
- S.K. Charles Kraemer
Faithful Purser
- S.K. Robert Hillock
Faithful Scribe
- S.K. James Doody
Faithful Inside Sentinel
- S.K. Bruce Bentz
Faithful Outside Sentinel
- S.K. Frederick Fuchs PFN
Trustee 3 Years
- S.K. Michael Noce Sr., PFN
Trustee 2 Years
- S.K. Michael Hrifko
Trustee 1 Year

Picnic — Who's Who

September 11 the Council held their annual picnic at the Council home. Approximately 300 members and their families were in attendant. The committee under the guidance of Chairman Tom Hornig did a superb job.



Pictured above from left to right. Jim Johnson — Committeeman, Tom Hornig — Chairman, Mrs. Tom Hornig — Consultant, G.K. Jim Moran — Good Will Ambassador, Roger Schur — Committeeman, Father Ed — Food Sampling Consultant and P.G.K. Andy Popp — Committeeman.

Great Adventure (Bus Trip)

Saturday, October 16th the State K of C is conducting a day at Great Adventure. It is our desire to inspire enough members and their families to participate in this worthwhile venture.

A special reduced price of \$13.00 per person will include the bus trip, safari and entrance to the entertainment and amusement area.

All money must be in advance, in order to secure your attendance. Because of the bus capacity we are limited to attendance. Acceptance will be on the first paid, first served basis. Cut off date is October 4th.

Bus will leave the Council Home at 8:00 a.m. and return at approximately 10:00 p.m.

Steve Patrykowski
Youth Chairman — 687-8083

Children's Halloween Party

Trick or Treat, Witches and Goblins. This will be the expectance surrounding our Council Home on Sunday, October 31st at 5:00 p.m. when the little gremlins, dressed in costume, visit our property. Gremlins between the ages of 9 and under will be allowed to enter our hall.

Judges will be on hand to award prizes for costumes. Also on hand will be refreshments and fun — fun — fun.

Steve Patrykowski
Youth Activities

Blood Bank Day Sunday, October 31, 1976

Our Brother Knights and their families are in need of blood each year. This coming year will be no exception. The Council goal this year is 100 pints plus.

This is a rare opportunity for you to become personally involved, by helping your fellow man. Any member of your family between the ages of eighteen and sixty-five are welcomed to donate.

The Blood Bank will be open from 11:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Remember the blood you give will help someone to live.

See you on October 31st.

Fraternal Chairman
Joe Saenger
Blood Bank Chairman
Mort Picone

Columbian Club of Union — 1976

President Martin Farrell

1st Vice President John Gill

2nd Vice President Rocco Corbo

Treasurer John Bilicska

Rec. Sec'y P.G.K. Tom Crimmins

DIRECTOR FOR 3 YEARS

Director William Vath

Director Alvin Dietlein

Director James Gardner

Director Harold Parrish

DIRECTOR FOR 2 YEARS

Director Robert Yavorski

Director Robert Basmajian

Director Clarence Kuntz

Director Jerome Shaw

DIRECTOR FOR 1 YEAR

Director Joseph Bizzaro

Director Anthony Sabilla

Director Richard Evers

Director Gene Le Compte

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Grand Knight James Moran

Dep. Grand Knight Kenneth Pinney

Chancellor Roy Trupiano

Booking Manager Jack Bruno

Rep. to Swim Club Lelio Linfante

Building Fund

Support your youth and your members, let's buy a bond to insure further improvements to your council.

The Bond Committee welcomes all your financial support to achieve our goal for your benefit.

Edward R. Stonack — Chairman

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Trustee Andy Popp, PGK

Calendar of Events

Oct. 1 First Friday Series
(Chaplain's Night)
Oct. 10 K of C Mass
(8:30 a.m. Holy Spirit)
Oct. 11 1st Degree
Oct. 16 Great Adventure
Oct. 22, 23, 24 Retreat Week-End
Oct. 30 Halloween Dance
Oct. 31 Blood Bank 11-4 p.m.
Oct. 31 Halloween Party
Children — 5 p.m.
Nov. Basketball —
(to be announced) Free Throw
Nov. 5 First Friday Series
(Chaplain's Night)
Nov. 7 N.Y. Jets-Miami Dolphins
Nov. 12 Indoctrination Night
Nov. 19 4th Degree Ball

MONTHLY MEETINGS

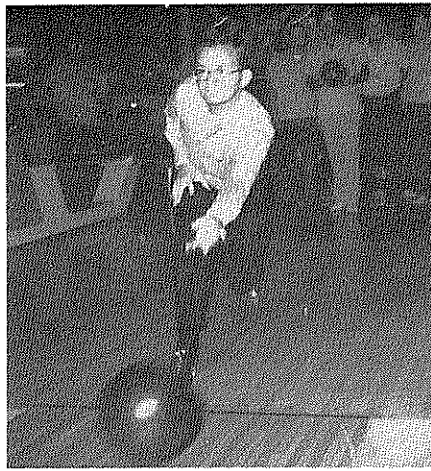
1st Mon. Council Officers
2nd & 4th Mon. Regular Meetings
3rd Mon. Swim Club
1st Tues. FMBA
2nd Tues. Color Guards
3rd Tues. P.B.A.
4th Tues. Girls Club
1st Wed. 4th Degree Officers
2nd Wed. 4th Degree Color Corps
3rd Wed. 4th Degree Regular
4th Wed. Council Committees
1st Thurs. Expansion Committee
3rd Thurs. Cub Scouts
4th Thurs. Columbian Club
1st Fri. Chaplain's Night

4th Degree Ball

John Fitzgerald General Assembly needs your support to make their annual Ball a great success. Join the gang on Friday night, November 19, 1976 at the Chanticleer, in Millburn. \$50.00 per couple. We also need your help to try to bring in ads and boosters for our souvenir journal.

For tickets or information call:
Michael Hrifko — 688-2863

Bowling News



Council 4504 inaugurated their bowling season on September 7 at the Four Seasons Bowling Alleys — Union. Grand Knight Jim Moran opened the season by rolling the first ball. (Strike of course)

Weekly high game of 217 was rolled by Joe Gluck and high series game of 567 was rolled by Tom Kachelreiss.

We are in need of several regular bowlers and some occasional sub bowlers. Interested parties wishing to fulfill these openings should contact any of the following:

Tony Crea, President — 687-3183
P.G.K. Henry Scarbek — 761-5274
Tony Shanz — 688-2982
Joe McEnroe — 464-0141

Junior Bowling



Youth bowling chairman Steve Patrykowski and Grand Knight Jim Moran flank the Junior bowlers of Council 4504.

Season for the junior bowlers began on September 11 at the Four Seasons Bowling Alleys — Union. Seventeen potential bowlers between the ages of 9 to 15 participated. Grand Knight Jim Moran rolled the first ball (another strike) to start the season.

My thanks to those brother knights who were on hand aiding us to get the season underway, my special thanks to Bruce Bentz and new member Don Passero for their able assistance in keeping score.

Steve Patrykowski
Youth Bowling Chairman

Bicentennial Notes

"Love America! But love her wisely. Work hard to cure her faults, the mistakes under which she labors. Work to bring her closer to the ideal that is the real America. Do not leave her to be ruled by a few who make it their business and profit to rule. She is yours."

Anonymous

Grand Knights

Column

Jim Moran



In the up-coming weeks there will be opportunities in our Council for you to have a social good time, perform a fraternal act and obtain some spiritual uplifting. Our Halloween Dance is on October 30th, and we should have our usual fun night at this event. Let your imagination go wild in your choice of costumes. On October 31st, our annual Blood Bank needs your support and blood. Giving blood is a wonderful gesture of fraternity to your brothers and a wise investment for your family. All adult members of your family are encouraged to contribute. At 5:00 p.m. on the 31st, we'll present the children's Halloween Party. Both children and adults enjoy this occasion. Our week-end retreat for members is October 22, 23, 24. More details of these activities are available at meetings and in this publication. Early November (the 5th) brings us the First Friday and another of the series of popular sessions run by our Church Activities Group and our Chaplain, Father Edward Swierzbinski. Going by the titles of the talks, some controversial and fascinating topics will be used. It's been so successful since it was introduced at Union Council last year, that it's been adopted on a state wide level this year. All councils are being encouraged to support the same series. Bring your wives, friends, and adult children to these talks.

One of the basic aspects of our brotherhood is the concern we show for our deceased members. Attending wakes, offering assistance and sympathy to the families of our brothers is an important function. Please respond when called for a wake. Very little time is required of you, yet the act itself provides great meaning and comfort at a time such elements are most valued. These calls may not come at the most convenient times, but the brother that passed away didn't get a choice. "You can't spell brotherhood and not spell others".

John F. Kennedy 4th Degree 24th Annual Charity Dinner and Dance

Given by
OBSERVER STAFF CLUB
at

St. Thomas The Apostle Hall
1410 Church St., Rahway, N. J.

Saturday Evening, October 2, 1976

Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

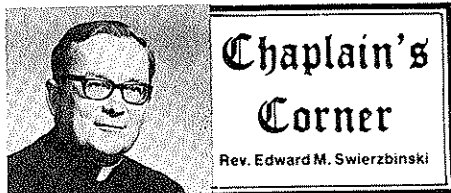
Dancing 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Music by The Sentimentals

PROCEEDS TO CAMP NEJEDO

FOR DIABETIC CHILDREN

Donation \$12.00



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Edward M. Swierzbinski

We are constantly being told abortion is a Catholic issue and that a constitutional amendment is impossible — Both statements are not true but repeated so much that we tend to believe them.

The Star-Ledger for Sunday, Sept. 12 quoted a poll taken of 20,000 American junior and senior high school students **across the nation**. Remember this is a bigger sampling than in most polls. They discovered that 50% favor a constitutional amendment prohibiting abortions, 31% oppose such an amendment and 19% did not make up their minds.

Now remember the paper said, "religious conviction alone **does not, as generally believed**, provide the strongest motivation among the anti-abortion ranks.

47% of those questioned equated abortion with murder. One midwestern girl who does **not** consider herself a religious person said she favored an anti-abortion amendment on a personal basis. She explains: "The fetus is a living thing like a baby." So don't accept the repeated lie — stress abortion is **not** a Catholic issue. E. G. — the Mormon Church head said — "The Mormons are **deadly** opposed to abortion." Thus a constitutional amendment is **not** impossible. If we work hard together it can happen. However what should be our Catholic position — "**respect for life**" — all life — from the unborn to the senior citizen. A respect for life which cries out — that no one should be hungry, alone, unemployed. No one should be denied the opportunity for education, decent job, decent housing.

The sick and the aged should not be charity cases but should receive their just due. We as Catholics should become more and more sensitive to the needs of others.

First Friday praying and sharing can help. Come and bring a friend — what a great chance to touch Jesus and one another!

Bicentennial Notes

FOUR THINGS

Four things in any land must dwell,
If it endures and prospers well;
One is manhood true and good;
One is noble womanhood;
One is child life, clean and bright;
And one an altar kept alight.

Author Unknown

NOTICE

As in the past, we are again reminding all brothers to please notify the mailing chairman of any change of address. Our objective is to keep you up to date on all Council activities. When your Digest is returned to the Council Home because of the wrong address, it costs your Council money and you the pleasure of reading the Digest and Council Activity dates.

Tony Malinkowski
Mailing Chairman

Knight of the Month October 1976



JULIAN PRUSZKOWSKI P.G.K.

Jules . . . Knight of the Month for October. A congenial brother of fine quality a truly Grand Knight and a man of honor.

Jules, besides working his way through the chairs and attaining our highest rank as Grand Knight, has held lesser but still important positions in the Council. He is our present Council Program Director, has served one term as a Lecturer, three years as a Trustee, and six years as a committeeman in our summer programs.

As proof that the K of C serves as the right hand of the Church Jules serves as a Commentator and a Counter for St. Michaels Church.

Jules and his lovely wife Pat are proud parents of three children: Barbara Jean, Donna Ann and Raymond.

Jules is a Purchasing Research Supervisor for the Inmont Corp., New York a company he has been affiliated with for the past 25 years.

A reward long in the making, we welcome you Jules, as Knight of the Month, October 1976 — Union Council 4504.

Retreat — Fiction and Facts

A sizeable number of our members have been on a retreat. Therefore, only general impressions of what it's like are in their minds. We want you to try a retreat because we think you'll find it a wonderful experience. In a quick and easy manner, we'll mention some things you may think are true, but actually are not. **FICTION** — It's a week-end of praying all the time. **FACT** — Some praying, of course, but also interesting discussions on religion, lots of good food, time on your own for private talks with any of several priests, or a walk by the sea. **FICTION** — Only "Saintly" type of men go on a retreat. **FACT** — We never in 16 years of retreats met one. Some men even use a retreat to return to the faith after many years away. **FICTION** — It's a quiet, but dull week-end. **FACT** — Quiet, only if you want it so. There's plenty of time to talk between spiritual events and at mealtime. You can play ball or try out your golf swing. The talks by the priests are never dull. They are excellent speakers with thought-provoking subjects. The choice is yours in taking part as a listener or participant.

Come with us on October 22, 23, 24, to the San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch. It's a place where spiritual batteries are recharged, faith renewed, and hope reborn. This is a soul spa where 6,000 persons come to be refreshed and restored each year.

Contact the Director of Church Activities, Dom Clementoni (688-3618) or Retreat Captain, G.K., Jim Moran (687-0566) for information and/or reservation.

First Friday Series

Our First Friday Series got off to a very good start. It certainly was pleasing to see so many turn out to celebrate Holy Mass and listen to the message of Bishop Domenick Marconi. Continuing this series, we will have with us on November 5, 1976, as guest speaker Rev. Robert Grady, whom so many of you will remember from last year.

Date: NOVEMBER 5, 1976

Time: 8 to 10 p.m.

Place: COUNCIL HOME

D. Clementoni, P.G.K.

**BLOOD BANK DAY
SUNDAY, OCT. 31
11:00 A.M.-4:30 P.M.**



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8:15 p.m. 2nd and 4th Mondays

Union Council 4504 K. of C.

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K. of C. Lounge Hours

Monday through Friday	7:30 p.m. to 12 p.m.
Saturday	2 p.m. to 12 p.m.
Sunday	3 p.m. to 12 p.m.