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Monsignor Begley, Mayor Biertuempfel, Grand Knight Bill Taylor and Columbian Club President John Picyk, break ground for the swim club.

Be A Cool Knight

Yes sir! Any night is cool at the fully air-conditioned Council lounge where knights, queens and their guests drop-in to say hello and relax for an hour or two and enjoy their favorite beverage.

Friday nights are made especially enjoyable by the music from The Skyliners, a three piece combo, in the ballroom from 9 p.m. A wonderful opportunity to make and renew acquaintances.

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Sunday3 to 12 P.M.

Columbian Club

President John Picyk announced the appointment of Bernard Raymond as bar steward. Michael Pacyna has been appointed to assist building managers Clifford Morris and Julius Nick.

Clifford Morris handles the arrangements for use of the Council hall. President Picyk also stated that more help is needed in setting up the hall for the various affairs and the clean-up that follows. Those interested in pitching in should please contact chairman Anthony Shans MU 8-7982 or Harvey Lewis, MU 6-7062.

Aqua Knight Progress

It is a hard task to write a progress report that is not obsolete because the pool progress keeps a fast pace. In the March issue of the Digest, it was reported that some 210 families had expressed an interest in the pool. By the end of May, 256 members have paid their \$250 membership bond! The swim club plans to accommodate 300 family memberships.

Swim club chairman Bill Stuart said that all the construction contracts for the pool and bath-house have been signed. All work is underway and the pool opening target date still remains July 1st!

Stuart has also announced the appointment of a board of nine governors that will set policy, rules and by-laws and review the pool operations. President Picyk has appointed Brothers Donnelly, Mageean and Raymond to represent the Columbian Club. Grand Knight Taylor has appointed Brothers Coen, PGK Confroy and McCarthy to represent the Council. Three members of the board will be elected by the pool members at the annual swim club meeting to be held in mid-winter of each year. Presently filling these posts are Brothers Guidera, Stuart and Vollherbst.

Fred Vollherbst will serve as pool manager to care for the daily operation of pool details that may arise. Vollherbst will be assisted by Guidera and Stuart.

Other swim club appointments are secretary John Guidera, treasurer Herb Kleniewski and membership committee chairman John Dzuna, MU 6-1005.

Various committees have been formed for the grounds, publicity, social events, etc. Those interested in serving on a committee should please contact secretary John Guidera, MU 7-1124.

The water is fine! Come on in and swim along with Bill! See you at the pool — soon!

Car Wash

The St. Michael's Sea Scouts will hold a car wash at the Larchmont Branch of the Union Center Bank on Morris Avenue on Saturday, June 20.

Appreciation Night

On June 27, 8:30 P.M., the last Saturday of the month, the council invites the officers, six point chairmen and all members of any six point committee who have served in any capacity to attend the 1st Appreciation Night.

The officers of the council feel it fitting and proper that those who sacrificed their time and energy to make this a successful year should be rewarded, and so offer a night of sociability — free eats, drinks and dancing.

Of course, bring your wife or girl friend. Let's ring out the old year and welcome the new regime.

Public Relations

As Public Relations Chairman, I would like to thank you all for the co-operation I have received in putting the Knights Digest together every month. Without your help and the help of the committees, it would have been impossible.

This was a tremendous experience as well as an education for me, and in spite of the frustrations, I enjoyed it very much. However, my biggest thank you must go to my wife, Carol, who did all my typing and much of the other work.

Last but not least, thanks to my Editor, Henry Chemidlin, and all of those who helped this year on public relations in any way.

TOM BUTLER

Fraternal Activities

I want to take this opportunity to thank those members of my committee who made my job this year comparatively easy. My thanks also goes to the many brothers who, though not a part of the committee, still volunteered their time and effort to help out on special occasions. Finally, I wish to extend my appreciation to all the brothers of our council without whose participation the Fraternal Activities projects could not have been successfully carried out.

GENE ZELAZNY

Let us pray for a quick recovery of the following brothers who are ill:

Gus Armstrong
Patrick Chris Igoe
Martin Murphy
Walter Hoelderlin

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CALENDAR

JUNE 1 — MONDAY

First Degree
8:00 P.M. — Council Home

JUNE 8 — MONDAY

Regular Meeting
Elections of Officers
8:15 P.M. — Council Home

JUNE 15 — MONDAY

Second Degree
8:00 P.M. — Council Home

JUNE 22 — MONDAY

Dinner Meeting
Knight of Year,
Knight of Month Awards
6:00 P.M. — Council Home

JUNE 27 — SATURDAY

Appreciation Night
8:30 P.M. — Council Home

Knight of the Year Award

On June 22, 1964, we are holding our final dinner-meeting of the Council year at which we will present awards to the Knight of the Year and to the Knights of the Month. Since this marks the beginning of the summer vacation period, this may be your last opportunity to see many of the brothers until September, therefore, why not try to make an extra effort to attend. Tickets for this dinner will be \$1.50 and are available at the bar or from Gene Zelazny.

A Year on Council Activities

Serving on any committee is quite an education. You realize that things don't happen by themselves, but take thoughtful planning, co-operation and a lot of praying. We have just finished a very successful year, both socially and financially. Twenty-six brothers answered the call for a little of their time and effort, to serve on the council activities committee.

The end of a season is always a good time to reminisce over the past affairs. On our first dance in September we were a jittery group working together for the first event. By the time Halloween rolled around, the tempo picked up considerably. Jim Looby provided us with his masterpiece on the wall. How could anyone forget the trouble Pat Gethins had confirming reservations at the door, when people wouldn't reveal their identity while in costume. The beautiful paneling job done on our chamber walls added dignity to that night in November when we honored PGK Jim Confroy and Past Columbian Club prexy Fred Vollherbst. The New Year was welcome by a fine sociable crowd. In February Warren Hehl proved to be an adept croupier at our "gambling" tables on Monte Carlo night. The Grand Ball was a success from the first cocktail to the last dance of the night.

I can't possibly mention everyone that served on the committee in this column, but rest assured I remember them and thank every single one. Herb Kay did the outstanding single job of the year by handling the ticket money and reservations on every affair.

It's been a wonderful year working with an ambitious group of men. Good Luck to next year's chairman. Help him present another year of successful affairs.

ROBERT T. HOLLER

Catholic Activities

As Catholic Activities Chairman, I am very proud and pleased with the work of the members of my committee this year. These dependable, hard working, active men were: Jack Bendokas, Bruce Bentz, Ernie DeLuca, Ed Flammer, Frank Echere, Bill Stuart and Tony Quatrone. Without their help our affairs would not have been successful. A great deal of admiration goes to these brothers outside my committee who gave their time and talent to Catholic events. This is an example of the highest and most praiseworthy type of Knight. Our Council is indeed fortunate to

Sports

The Bowling Season ended Tuesday, April 28. Here are the final standings and the highlights of the banquet.

TEAM	CAPTAIN
1. Silent Knights	R. Bachefski
2. Some Knights	E. Burke
3. Flushers	J. Kenny
4. Good Knights	M. Garrubbo
5. Knights	R. Graybush
6. Checkers	B. Godesky
7. Crusaders	J. Seibert
8. Cavaliers	F. Kidzus
9. Dominoes	J. Petrucci
10. Mid-Knights	H. Weismantel
11. Brothers - 5	J. Burke
12. Tumblers	O. Bordogna
13. Saints	A. Czajkowski
14. Ringers	C. Minervino

The League Championship was won by the Silent Knights by ten games. At the banquet, these champs took home all the hardware. The Union County A.B.C. Trophy — Hi Average, was won by Richie Bachefski, team captain of the winning team. The A.B.C. belt and buckle for most improved bowler went to Jim Dunne, another member of the winning team. Jim also received the Grand Knight's Trophy for this honor.

The members of the 2nd, 3rd and 4th place teams each received individual trophies.

The award for Hi Game went to Richie Graybush for bowling at 269. The Hi Series Trophy went to Joe DeSordo with a 648. Special awards were given to Jim Lord for low series of the year and to Gene Ecklund for low game of the year. In the average class under 160, Jerry Shaw took the trophy for Hi Series with a 585. For Hi Game in this class Joe Busalacchi rolled a 245 and took the award. K. C. Barbera received the prize for the biggest decline in average.

The banquet was a huge success and a good time was had by all.

The newly elected officers for '64-'65 are President, Matt Simon; Vice President, Don Spriet; Secretary, Jack McMahon; Treasurer, Richie Bachefski.

The Wednesday Night A Squad in the Essex-Union K. of C. League finished in 9th place. The Wednesday Night B Squad at 4 Seasons finished 2nd. Congratulations boys, better luck next year.

Last flash from the Softball Squad — Union Council 4504 has won their first 3 games in defense of their league championship. Jerry Petrucci, team manager, has the squad in tip top shape. Old timers, beware??

have a sizeable group in this category.

JAMES MORAN

Grand Knight's Message



Brothers:

As I marshall my thoughts for this article, one fact keeps running through my mind — that this will be my last time to come into your homes through the Knights Digest as Grand Knight of the finest council in New Jersey. To express in words the great sense of satisfaction attained by sharing in the joys of success, the culmination of dreams and yes, even moments of sorrow, are beyond my capabilities. I trust that you read into this message all of the sincerity that I have attempted to write into it.

This, of course, is a time for thanksgiving. First, I thank God for providing me with the spiritual and physical strength to carry out the duties of this office. His being on our side is evidenced by the highly successful year we have enjoyed spiritually, socially and financially. God has been good to us.

Next, I give thanks to my loving family who so graciously farmed me out for one season to Council 4504. Without their love, understanding and cooperation I would not have had the peace of mind which enabled me to concentrate on the many and varied details necessary to the successful discharge of my duties. God has been good to us.

We are deeply indebted to our worthy chaplain, Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll, whose guidance, counsel and unselfish devotion have provided the spiritual strength so vital to growth and success.

To our faithful officers, whose wholehearted support, unswerving loyalty and devotion to duty have made the past year one to remember always, my sincere and heartfelt thanks.

To the officers and directors of the Columbian Club, we say thank you for a wonderful year of close co-operation and harmony. Next on our list are the six point chairmen. These dedicated men, along with their sub-chairmen and committee members, are the very heart of all activities of Union Council. We can boast that we have an activity to suit nearly everyone. To each of these wonderful people, we say thanks for a job well done. You have presented a Six Point Program of which we are mighty proud.

Finally, to you the members who make all the programs a success or a failure, thanks for your generous support in our many activities. You are the ones we were elected to serve. We have done our utmost to serve you well. You are the jury in whose hands we rest our case.

Indeed, God has been good to us.

Fraternally yours,
WILLIAM E. TAYLOR

Thank You, Brother

The terms of the present officers and chairmen are coming to a close, so Catholic Activities Committee wishes to express its thanks for a successful year to our worthy Chaplain, Father Driscoll, for his valued advice and cooperation. Thanks to Ted Stawski, Six Point Chairman, who solved all our problems with the right answer. Our gratitude to Tom Butler, for spreading news of our events far and wide. Thanks to Gene Zelazny, whose Fraternal Aid was so valuable, particularly his Telephone Committee, directed by Joe Noel. A special acknowledgment to our Grand Knight, Bill Taylor, and his officers for their support and encouragement. To all the brothers of Union Council, our appreciation for your attendance, and participation in Catholic affairs this year.

JIM MORAN

Knight of the Month

September	Larry Pribula
October	Pete Genova
November	Henry Chemidlin
December	Mike Pacyna
January	Bill Stuart
February	Eddie Majeski
March	Jim Looby
April	Jerry Shaw
May	Joe Mulherin

For our May and final Knight of the Month for this year, we have selected Joe Mulherin, handyman for Union Council. Joe can often be seen around the council not only doing carpenter work, but also electrical work and tree-cutting service for our future picnic area.

Joe has also helped out on the Council Activities Committee and aided in making our degree work a success.

We think Joe, who is the quiet and unassuming type, is that kind of brother who makes up the strong backbone of the Knights of Clumbus.

Have a Ballantine on us, Joe!

Safe Driving Corner

John Foley

Where does safe driving begin? With you, the driver. If you honestly believe you are a good driver, then you realize that motoring in a safe and prudent manner is not enough. Today's driver must also drive to make up the shortcomings and carelessness of other drivers.

Too often, people are often lulled into a false sense of security because they have driven hundreds of thousands of miles without an accident. They feel they have proven themselves to be safe drivers. But how about the not so good drivers who unconsciously set up an accident? You must, therefore, become a defensive type of driver who is always on the alert and expects the unexpected.

As this is my last article, I wish every Brother a safe and happy summer of driving.

Retreat Club

In late October, our council will hold a week-end retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House, West End, New Jersey. It is a time to examine your spiritual life, enjoy discussions on religious subjects, relax in the Game Room, swim in the ocean (weather permitting) or a walk on the grounds. You enjoy three delicious meals a day, have no telephone or outside distractions, and have a chance to discuss any problem with an understanding priest. To help save for this week-end, we have an installment plan in which you may pay any amount you wish when you desire. Once you attend a retreat, you'll do it every year. We have the same fellows going from this council since we were organized. New or old member, start saving now and reserve the week-end of October 23, 24, 25. Contact Catholic Activities Chairman, Jim Moran or Retreat Chairman, Tony Quatrone.

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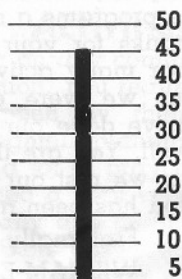
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