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CATHOLIC ACTIVITY COMMITTEE DOES IT AGAIN

Does the headline seem familiar, or possibly even monotonous? Almost monthly it appears in the Digest, and is practically a set stick of type in the print shop. However, what else can be done when we have such an efficient, hard-working group as our Catholic Activity Committee, under the leadership of Brother Art Weber. Each of their programs seems more successful than its predecessor, as evinced by the Father and Son Communion Breakfast, on March 20th.

A very large number of members, their sons, and guests received Holy Com-

munion at the 8:05 A.M. Mass, at St. Michael's Lower Church, followed by breakfast in the Crystal Ballroom of the Elizabeth Carteret Hotel. The principal speaker, the Hon. John J. Rafferty of New Brunswick, N. J. was a tremendous success. His address was so absorbing that it seemed to end all too soon. The members are still discussing his remarks in glowing terms.

All in all, this affair was another tribute to our Catholic Activity Committee, which is to be congratulated for a superb job.

SIX POINT CHAIRMAN REPORT

"You—Your Council, & The Convention"

"The Council, of which you are a Brother, is one of the finest in the State. It receives its distinction from you—because of your constant effort to take part in its activities, and your willingness to assume duties, when requested."

"Your Council took a place in the spotlight, at last year's convention, with its program of activities only because the abilities that you were blessed with were used in the proper manner, and carefully applied by your Chairmen. If you wish to maintain this position, not only at the convention but in your own hometown,

you must continue your fine co-operation, and put forth that little extra effort which each of you possesses. The talents and experience available in your Council are something you should take pride in, and use to develop an interesting and worthwhile program for the organization."

"In the next few months, your Council will be looking for Officers and Committee Chairmen. Therefore, as your General Program Chairman, I hope that, if you have the pleasure of being asked to serve in this capacity, you will do so in your usual willing and capable manner."

Bill Donnelly

Knight of the Month

The selection committee has designated for April honors, Brother William Taylor. Bill is best known as the hard working Chairman who "sparkplugs" our Council Activity Committee. Coincidentally, this affable Brother is being honored during the month in which he, and his committee, are striving to present the crowning achievement of their program—the Third Anniversary Ball, on April 23rd. The gaieties of "Knight's Night" and "Get Acquainted Night" were forerunners of the festivities in store for those who attend the Ball.

Bill has worked, worried, and wrestled all year, with the problems involved in presenting an interesting and entertaining social program, which will wind up with the Annual Family Picnic on June 26th. It is in acknowledgement of the persistent efforts of this quiet, mild mannered Catholic gentleman, and true Knight, that this tribute is bestowed.

KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH

June	—	—	Knight of the year?
May	—	—	
April	—	—	William Taylor
March	—	—	Vincent Squazzo
February	—	—	Hugh O'Neill
January	—	—	Anthony Mack
December	—	—	Arthur Weber
November	—	—	Bernard Godesky
October	—	—	William C. Fay (Deceased)

Decent Literature Campaign

Those brothers, residing in or near Union, who patronize places of business selling newspapers and periodicals, are urged to be on the alert for offensive and indecent books and magazines. Your Catholic Activity Committee, representing the council on St. Michael's permanent Parish Committee in its campaign against indecent literature, is joining in the all-out effort to protect our youth from this sinful and degrading material. This is a tremendous task, as you can well imagine, and the full co-operation of everyone is necessary. It is your duty as a Catholic gentleman, and a Knight of Columbus, to acquaint yourself with the reading matter offered for sale by the store or stores you and your family patronize. If you do not see the Certificate of Co-operation prominently displayed you should politely let the proprietor know that it will probably not be possible for you to continue to give him your business.



In photo above, His Honor, Mayor Biertuempfel, presents Deed to site of our future home, on Jeannette Avenue, to Columbian Club President, Warren Hehl. Pictured l. to r. are Thomas Arminio, John S. Zimmerman, Mayor Biertuempfel, Warren Hehl, and Howard R. Leary, Lecturer.

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Notice to Brothers and Their Families

If you know of the death or illness of a Brother, please notify, immediately, Fraternal Activities Chairman, Bernard Raymond, 2218 Berwyn Street, Union, N. J. MU. 8-4343.

CALENDAR

APR. 11—
Regular Council Meeting, First Degree and "Sacred Shroud."
APR. 14—
Holy Thursday.
APR. 15—
Good Friday.
APR. 17—
Easter Sunday.
APR. 18—
Second Degree.
APR. 23—
Third Anniversary Ball, Elizabeth Armory.
APR. 24—
State Deputy Banquet, Essex House, Newark, N. J.
APR. 25—
Regular Council Meeting, Film on Cystic Fibrosis.
MAY
Tuesdays and Fridays, Rosary. Living Rosary, on date to be announced.
MAY 7—
Bowling Banquet, Winter League.
MAY 9—
Regular Council Meeting.
MAY 14—
Exemplification of Third Degree, Columbian Club, Union Ave., Elizabeth.
JUNE 3-4-5
Retreat. Details to be announced.



Chaplain's Corner

--- Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

Presently, members of the Council are engaged with the Committee of Decent Literature of St. Michael's Church in their efforts to wipe out smut from the news stands of Union. This is an effort in which EVERY KNIGHT should actively participate. In order to be effective, you should know something about the situation.

The increase of the sale of smut, on a national scale, brings returns greater than that of General Motors. These monies are used in all the avenues of crime. The criminal leaders are in active cooperation with the leaders of Communism—one of whose means of overthrowing the United States is through the breakdown of the moral fibre of the people, especially the young.

Our local committee has made its first approach to the dealers in Union, and

we have found only two, of more than thirty merchants, willing to co-operate. Our program is one of advising which publications are objectionable. The members of the committee will check the stands each month. When a stand is found clean, a certificate will be posted at the magazine rack. We need the entire Council to be vocal with their news-dealers, and explain that they will not continue to patronize unless they remove smut from the stands.

For too long a time now, we have not engaged our enemy, under the delusion that nothing could be done. With the testimony of authorities indicating that our juvenile delinquency is on the rise, no one can excuse himself from his best effort to wipe out this Cancer in our moral life.

COUNCIL ACTIVITY COMMITTEE

General Information:

Tickets—\$3.00 per person.

Reservations—for table of ten—tickets to be paid for at the time reservation is made. If you do not have ten people in your party, contact the reservations committee, and they will assist you in making up a table.

Refreshments—will be sold on the premises by the Council, at moderate prices. Please DO NOT bring your own.

Buffet—will be served at the tables by waitresses—one to each three tables.

The Menu—Rolls, bread.

Celery, olives, radishes, pickles.

Roast Beef, Turkey, Imported Ham.

Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Tomatoes.

The Committee urges you to plan to attend the Council's Annual Family Picnic, to be held at Angele's Grove, Union, on June 26th. A very pleasant day is assured.

CONGRATULATIONS

Brothers Warren Hehl and John Heizer on their recent elevation to Fourth Degree Membership in the Order.

Brother and Mrs. Jim Confroy on the birth of a daughter on March 9th.

Brother and Mrs. Frank Zusi on the birth of a son on March 21st.

The committee believes that most of you have done a thorough job in assisting them, and wishes to thank you. However, how about that small group of "last-minute-men"—your help is needed too. Remember, this is your Anniversary Ball—This is your Council, only you can make them both successful.

Grand Knight's Message



Dear Brothers:

Our Council year is rapidly drawing to a close, and but a few major functions intervene before a new staff of officers will be installed.

Prominently listed, in this group of affairs, is our Third Annual Charity Ball, to be held at the Elizabeth Armory on the evening of April 23rd.

Our Council Activity Chairman, Brother Bill Taylor, and his most efficient committee, have been planning and working for several months to insure the social and financial success of this evening. They, of course, can accomplish their goal only with the combined cooperation of our entire membership.

There have been many Council functions, during the current year, and it would be unreasonable to be expected to attend them all. However, I am of the firm opinion that we should obligate ourselves to patronize our Anniversary Ball, as well as all the functions of the Catholic Activity program.

Appropriately, the Knight of the Month Committee has chosen Bill Taylor to be the recipient of their April award. I know that this will please Bill greatly, but we can contribute to make him completely satisfied, by turning out in large numbers on the evening of April 23rd. I do hope to meet you, with your friends and neighbors, at the Armory on that night.

May I also remind you that the First and Second Degrees of the Order will be exemplified, at the Council meeting room, on April 11th, and 18th. Why not make a date to meet with your candidate, and encourage him during these important steps.

Be a true knight—attend the meetings—wear the emblem—patronize the affairs.

Fraternally yours,

John S. Zimmerman

SPORTS NEWS

Slight changes have been made in our Intracouncil Bowling League standings. The Merits are still in first place, closely followed by the Ying Yangs and Rebels, in a tie for second. The Knight Knicks have exchanged their fifth slot with the fourth place Four Jays, followed by the Crusaders. The Sinkers have plummeted to a tie with the cellar-dwelling Knight Owls.

Present Standings:

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| 1. Merits | 5. Four Jays |
| 2. Ying Yangs | 6. Crusaders |
| 3. Rebels | 7. Sinkers |
| 4. Knight Knicks | 8. Knight Owls |
- Tie Tie

Matt Simon established a new high game mark with a 257 effort, barely edging John Burke and Mike Garrubbo who each had a 256. Mike's 256 enabled him to set a new high three game series of 654.

Our second mixed bowling engagement proved to be as successful and enjoyable as our first. Tom Drogan and Mary Fackelman were awarded high series prizes. Other lucky bowlers were Mrs. Godesky, Mrs. Drogan, Mrs. Schmidt, Mrs. Czajkowski, and Mary Hanlon.

OLDEST KNIGHT

In our December issue, we stated that Brothers Vince Squazzo and Daniel O'Sullivan, with forty years of continuous membership in the Order, were co-holders of the title. It is with pride and pleasure that we present the winner and new champion—Brother Joseph A. Halbing.

Brother Halbing, who is seventy years young, joined McGivney Council #59, Danbury, Connecticut, in 1912, thus giving him forty-eight (48) years of service.

Well, let's see you top that!!

WEAR THE EMBLEM

SAFE DRIVING CORNER

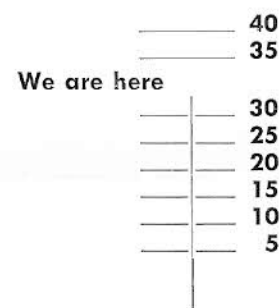
Oscar Ernst

When is a man most dangerous? It is when he is behind the wheel of an automobile. It is the Machine Age, not the Atomic Age, which has given man his most lethal instrument—the automobile. Atomic and hydrogen bombs rain death and destruction when man is provoked to war, the automobile brings pain, destruction and death in the course of ordinary, everyday life.

It is not that the automobile is an infernal machine, quite the contrary, it has been one of our greatest boons. However, it is a machine, and like all devices of human making, the good or evil it can do depends upon the disposition of the person operating it.

In most traffic accidents, the guilty party is man, not machine; mind, and not motor; reflex, and not roadway. It is human error which, each year, kills nearly 40,000 people, and maims hundreds of thousands. Sane, peace-loving, kindly Christians who want to save a few seconds, who get wrapped up in conversation, or who just don't think, turn out to be man-killers in the twinkling of an eye. When the tragedy has happened, they are sorry beyond words. They didn't mean to do it, but they have killed—and sinned against God and their neighbor.

COLUMBIAN CLUB Pledge Goal \$40,000.



Pledges can now be paid at regular Council meetings. A committeeman will be on hand to receive them.

CONVENTION

1960

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Atlantic City

May 6 and 7

BIRTHDAYS

APRIL

16—Francis J. Comiskey, Jr.
17—William M. Connell
Bernard Godesky
18—August D. Walter
20—Peter Matta
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9—Fred F. Caesar
10—Dominic Costello
Michael A. Tomko

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