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New Club Officers



Bill Donnelly (right) presents gavel to new president of Columbian Club, John Picyk.

The new officers for the 1964-65 term elected at the annual Columbian meeting on April 23rd are:

President	John Picyk
1st Vice Pres.	Bernard Raymond
2nd Vice Pres.	Franklin Zusi
3rd Vice Pres.	Thomas Crimmins
Recording Sec.	Charles Howes
Corresponding Sec.	James Gardner
Treasurer	Dominic Crincoli
Asst. Treasurer	Anthony Shans
Director	Herbert Kleniewski
Director	Harvey Lewis
Director	John Mageean
Director	John Robbins

The newly elected directors are for a three year term. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW OFFICERS!

A revision of the Columbian Club by-laws prepared by Warren Hehl were approved. The monthly meetings will continue to be held on the fourth Thursday of each month. However, the next annual meeting will be held on the second regular Council meeting of April, 1965.

Announcement was made of the ground-breaking ceremony for the Swim Club pool to be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 2nd. ANOTHER FIRST FOR UNION COUNCIL!

TO HONOR MARY

May is the month of mothers. One day is set aside to honor our earthly mother, and the Church has dedicated the entire period to pay tribute to our Blessed Lady. Throughout Christ's life on earth, He always held Mary in a special position of honor. He showed us by example the place a mother has in our lives. Remember, the fourth commandment does not mean just obey your parents, but "honor thy mother and father." Christ performed His first miracle at Cana due to His mother's request, even though His hour had not yet come. There are many examples of God's love for Mary, as shown in the manner He took her to Heaven. Our first president, George Washington, who lived a Christian life, had a picture of Mary in his home. A friend knowing that Washington was a Protestant, asked why he had the picture on the wall. George replied with a question that was evidence of his good sense and at the same time summed up the Catholic attitude towards our Lady. "How," he asked, "can I honor the Son if I honor not the Mother?" Mary's method of honoring her Son and thereby paying tribute to her, is the Rosary. A Living Rosary, consisting of a group of men, each one representing a bead, is a powerful means of prayer. Join with your brothers in this event to be held on Wednesday evening, May 27, at 8:00 P.M. at St. Michael's Church. Pray for the success of our pool and the general health of its members, for a happy vacation for your family in the coming months, and for any private favor you need or want.

Dollar Knight Refresher

CALLING all knights to take their queens out for a special night. On Friday, May 15th, we are going to have LIVE music at the Council Home — a three piece combo that is really terrific! All the beer you need to feel properly refreshed. One dollar per person. ANOTHER FIRST FOR UNION COUNCIL!

Positive Thinking

At a special meeting on Tuesday, April 21, over 130 members of the Aqua Knights swim club unanimously approved to go ahead with construction of the pool this year and, if necessary, to balance any membership shortage by equally sharing the deficit, up to a set maximum per member, payable August 1, 1964. This money will be repaid when funds become available from new members.

Passing of the resolution followed after an extensive discussion by the members and committee in which John Guidera reiterated that the committee's aim is to maintain the cost of membership as originally outlined at a bond of \$250 plus yearly operating cost of \$65. The swim club anticipates sufficient filling of the membership quota in time to eliminate any deficit or reduce it to a small amount.

Our hard-working swim club chairman Bill Stuart who conducted the meeting said that this vote of confidence permits the committee to move ahead without delay toward the pool opening target date of July 1 of this year. Fred Vollherbst and grand-knight Bill Taylor also addressed the meeting.

The first 300 Knights of Columbus from Union and neighboring councils will be charter members of the swim club. Have you considered joining? Herb Kleniewski, Kays Paint and Hardware, 1344 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, N. J., MU. 8-6452, is serving as treasurer. John Dzuna, 772 Layton Drive, Union, N. J., MU. 6-1005, is membership chairman.

Swim Along With Bill!

Need Extra Work

Part time employment wanted by the Waterfront Commission, Port Newark. MA. 4-1818. Must be in good health up to 65 years of age. Clerical and office work.

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CALENDAR

MAY 2 — SATURDAY
Groundbreaking for Pool
3:00 P.M. Council Home

MAY 4 — MONDAY
First Degree
8:00 P.M. — Council Home

MAY 9 — SATURDAY
Bowling Banquet
8:00 P.M. — Council Home

MAY 11 — MONDAY
Regular Council Meeting
8:15 P.M. — Council Home

MAY 13 — WEDNESDAY
Lecture by Father Driscoll
9:00 P.M. — Council Home

MAY 15 — FRIDAY
\$1 Night
9:00 P.M. — Council Home

MAY 18 — MONDAY
Second Degree
8:15 P.M. — Council Home

MAY 22, 23, 24
State Convention
Atlantic City

MAY 25 — MONDAY
Regular Council Meeting
8:15 P.M. — Council Home

MAY 27 — WEDNESDAY
Living Rosary
8:00 P.M. - St. Michael's Church

MAY 29 — FRIDAY
Third Degree
8:00 P.M. at Westfield Council

Did You Know

The June 22 meeting will be a dinner meeting in honor of the knight of the year.
Dues are now due.

Sports

The following are the winners of the Easter Rolloff: Joe Delsorda, Frank Kidzus, Joe Siebert, Charlie Howes, Sal Mauro, Ed Burke and Al DiMartino. Congratulations boys! I hope you enjoyed your ham.

On Tuesday night, April 14, the Silent Knights won 3 games and clinched the league title. They have a 7½ game lead with 6 games yet to be played. The members of the winning team are Richie Bachevski, Dick Fallon, Jerry Chaplinski, Tony Cocuzza and Jim Dunne. Good luck and best wishes to you.

The final league standings and banquet highlights will appear in next month's digest.

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The Union Council's softball team (Champs) has been challenged to a beer game by the old timers of the council. By old we mean all brothers over 40 years of age. All interested in playing for the old folks, contact Brother Vollherbst.

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Brother Jerry Petrucci, president of the Union County Knights of Columbus League announced that the league will start its second season of play on Wednesday, May 13. Union is the defending champs of the league. The season starts on May 14 at Nomahegan against Roselle. Anyone who would like to try out for the team, contact Jerry Petrucci at EL. 2-2409. Brothers who played last year were B. Fenzan, R. Bachevski, R. Buob, B. Neher, T. Laguna, A. Nadzun, Jr., W. Burbella, T. Kocal, M. Simon, D. Spriet, H. Skarbek, J. Petrucci and J. Vergura.

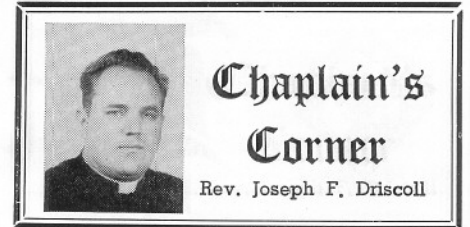
Participating councils in the league are Elizabeth 253, Dean Gessner, Clark, Hillside, Roselle and Union.

May 14	Union vs. Roselle	Nomahegan
May 18	Union vs. Hillside	Nomahegan
May 22	Union vs. Elizabeth 253	Chatfield
May 24	Union vs. Clark	Warinanco No. 5 11:00 A.M.
May 26	Union vs. Dean Gessner	Mattano
June 1	Union vs. Roselle	Nomahegan
June 7	Union vs. Hillside	Chatfield 11:00 A.M.
June 11	Union vs. Elizabeth	Nomahegan
June 22	Union vs. Clark	Nomahegan
June 29	Union vs. Dean Gessner	Pearl Ovel

All weeknight games start at 6:30 P.M.

Ball Game

On Friday, June 12, the Athletic Committee has planned an outing to Yankee Stadium to see the game between the New York Yankees and the Chicago White Sox. Tickets are priced at \$4.50, which includes transportation and refreshments. The bus will leave the Council home at 6:00 P.M. sharp. For more information call Brother Gerry Petrucci at EL. 2-2409.



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

We are privileged as followers of Christ to live with Christ His divine life. We would like you to consider just one participation on your part in that divine life through the careful examination of the knowledge you already have. We seldom face the fact individually, perhaps from a false humility, that to live the divine life means to act Godlike, to perform as God.

Now, what do you know about God. Your earliest recollection and definition of Him has come from His work when you answered the question, "Who is God?". You said He was the Creator of heaven and earth and all things. Basically, then, to you he must be a creator. If then you are to be basically Godlike, you must create.

We suggest our brother knights create first of all within themselves a more definite likeness to Christ. Create in your homes that happiness and peace which is heavenly and Godlike, a creation of order, authority and love. Create through your days work a satisfying accomplishment of what you had intended to accomplish. In your leisure time, create the refinement of your body and spirit that you may continue in good physical and mental health. Create in your community the image of God's integrity, God's purposefulness, God's willingness to sacrifice. Create in your council nothing but a spirit of Columbianism. Establish your Godlike faculties to create knowledge and practice of the faith, confidence in God amongst all the brothers, and with it all, the Godlike charity that only you are designated by God to create.

Annual Ball

Brother Bob Holler would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who supported our Seventh Anniversary Ball. There were three hundred members, wives and friends that attended this affair. Thanks also goes to the Journal Chairman and the committee for their outstanding job on the journal. A big thank you to all.

Grand Knight's Message



Brothers:

On May 2, we will take another giant stride in our quest to make Union Council the outstanding Council in the state. I suspect by the time the digest reaches you we will have the ground breaking ceremonies behind us and the work of building our new swimming pool will be well under way.

We are fully cognizant of the fact that not every brother is in accord with our newest undertaking. We sincerely hope in time to prove to most of the skeptics that this was a wise move and not some hare-brained scheme. To be sure, it was a dream or a vision, but by no stretch of the imagination could it be called a hallucination.

There is no question in the minds of the officers of the Council and Columbian Club as a whole that this will be a great asset, both financially and socially. By the same token, we feel it can be an instrument of great good in a spiritual sense. The very fact that so many Catholic families will congregate practically every day during the season would seem to be a force of great good. It will afford us an opportunity to not only become a close knit family, but also give us a wonderful opportunity to exchange ideas and views, be they political, spiritual or social. It is a known fact that where there is an opportunity for wide spread communication, there is greater understanding among people.

Think also of the wonderful opportunity our children will have to associate with other Catholic children. This most certainly will prove a boom to the youth of our organization. Supervised sports and social activities are a long step forward in our never ending battle to combat juvenile delinquency and the forces of evil that would destroy the minds and bodies of our young people.

We invite any brother knight in good standing to join the Aqua Knights Swim Club and slash away the cares and worries of summer heat. We still have some memberships available.

It is our thought that if we play together, we will pray together and stay together.

Fraternally yours,
WILLIAM E. TAYLOR

Fraternal Activities

We'd like to take this opportunity to remind all brothers that our organization is truly fraternal.

Over the past year we have seen many fraternal acts performed by our Council:

- brothers giving blood
- get well and sympathy cards
- attendance at wakes
- recognition of brothers for noteworthy efforts
- communion breakfasts
- social affairs
- religious affairs
- athletic activities

In order for us to be able to continue many of the above services, we must rely upon you to notify us of any brothers in need.

Pray for the quick recovery of the following brothers:

Richard F. Bross Elmer Loew
Patrick Chris Igoe Gus Armstrong

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

For April's Knight of the Month, we have chosen Jerry Shaw, a truly hard working and dedicated brother knight.

Almost since the Council's inception, Jerry has been an active member of the Council Activities Committee. He has logged many hours behind the bar; besides donating his talents as a sanitary-construction engineer in building the bar. In addition to this, Jerry was responsible for this year's "Journal" used in presenting our Annual Ball.

We know that we can depend upon Jerry to continue to give of his time and energy to Union Council 4504.



Some of our brother knights on German Night. Can you guess who they are?

Safe Driving Corner

John Foley

Driving a car can be a pleasure or a chore. It all depends upon the emotional make-up of the driver.

If he's a calm sort of a person, his coolness will show in the manner he handles the car. On the other hand, if he's keyed-up, his car will start and stop with abruptness and he will not wave thanks to other drivers for any small courtesies extended to him, nor will he show any courtesy to other motorists. Unnecessary chances will be taken and he will arrive at his destination with shattered nerves.

If only the Golden Rule were applied, what a pleasure it would be for everyone.

It's worth repeating the following:

Race your motor in neutral if caught in a traffic jam to avoid overheating the motor.

Have the wheel bearings checked for greasing.

Be on the alert for STOP signs. They are springing up everywhere.

Tribute to Father Driscoll

At this time we'd like to put in the spotlight our Worthy Chaplain, Father Driscoll. Though the color of His attire might indicate otherwise, Father Driscoll is truly the "WHITE TORNADO" of the Council.

No need to say "SMILE, YOU'RE ON CANDID CAMERA" to Father, for as with the well known brew, "YOU GET A SMILE EVERYTIME" from a Chaplain like ours. He is industrious, conscientious, congenial, and loyal in His association with us — He proves time and time again that His is truly THE "CAUSE THAT REFRESHES"!

In fact, however, we might be otherwise insured, we're all 'IN GOOD HANDS' with Father Driscoll. Of that 'YOU CAN BE SURE'!!!

Father accomplishes much behind the scenes unknown to many of the brothers. Those who have approached Him regarding specific problems, have found Him to be 'THE EXTRA STRENGTH PAIN RELIEVER'.

Those of us who have attended the Wednesday lecture series have found Father Driscoll to be our own "RELIGIOUS INFORMATION BUREAU".

I suppose we can paraphrase a well known jingle and say "FATHER DRISCOLL PERFORMS GOOD, LIKE A WORTHY CHAPLAIN SHOULD". "AND US BROTHERS WOULD RATHER FIGHT THAN SWITCH".

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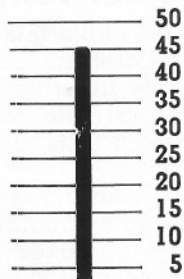
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