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KNIGHTS DOWN SOUTH

On April 29th at 8:00 p.m. at the Burnet Junior High School Auditorium (Caldwell & Morris Ave.) the Union Council Knights of Columbus will present for one performance only, an old fashioned Minstrel Show.

The production is created, staged and directed by Joe Ruddy; assistant to the producer is Joe Willmore, associate producer for the CBS television show "As The World Turns".

Rehearsals are now in their final stages with a cast of fifty putting their best voices and dancing shoes in order for all to enjoy.

The delightful and ever popular soprano, Gilda Mirizio and tenor Robert Drew will blend together singing old time favorites such as the beautiful "Only Make Believe" and many other songs of olden days gone by. Song stylists Ann Pinney and Vilma Kraemer will bring you to your feet applauding

when their voices come forth with old time Cabaret tunes you will all remember.

The Interlocutor for the evening will be under funny man Ken Pinney. He will have you rolling in the aisles as he gets the best of his endmen.

The production is in two acts.

Act I — "Minstrel Daze"

Scene 1 — Salute to the Southern States.

Scene 2 — A Short One Act Comedy farce titled "Here We Are" starring Ann Pinny and Jim Moran, written by Dorothy Parker and produced by Joe Willmore.

Scene 3 — Salute to the Girls

Scene 4 — Salute to Stephen Foster

Scene 5 — Salute to the U.S.A.

Act II — "Show Boat"

Scene 1 — Birth of the Blues

Scene 2 — Basin St. Cabaret

Come one, come all. Bring your fri-

ends, bring your family, bring the kids. Sing along with us, sit back relax and enjoy this night as much as we will enjoy bring it to you.

Just a little hint of some of the old time tunes you will be hearing, "Susie", "Toot Toot, Tootsie Goodbye", "My Little Margie", "Sweet Georgia Brown", "Dinah" and many, many more.

Tickets will be only \$2.00 and will be available at several locations and from several brother knights. Ticket outlets will be at Fountain Realty — Morris Avenue and Phil's Barber Shop — Stuyvesant Avenue at Union Center. Tickets will also be available from Barney Capriglione and Leo Lupia.

The proceeds from this show will go to worthy charities and to be successful will need your whole hearted support. So brother knights lets have a 200% effort to make this evening the greatest success of the year.



Grand Knight Dominick Clementoni of Union Council 4504 presented to brother Joseph Halbing a plaque to commemorate his 60 years

with the Knights of Columbus. Also present at the presentation was Barney Capriglione Deputy Grand Knight.

Scholastic — Need

The Scholarship Committee of Union Council is now accepting applications for the annual scholarships for the 1972-1973 school year. The closing date for the applications will be June 1. Early filing with the committee will be appreciated because certain confidential information must be obtained to aid in a fair determination of the worthy recipients.

The scholarships are available to one boy and one girl each year. To qualify, the applicant must be the child or brother or sister of a member in good standing or a deceased member of this Council. They must pass the Archdiocesan High School entrance examination and be accepted by a Catholic High School. Preference for the scholarships will be decided by the committee on the basis of need as well as scholastic ability.

The recipients of the \$150 scholarships will be awarded a like amount each year upon proof of satisfactory fulfillment of the scholastic requirements of the high school.

Information and applications can be obtained from Henry F. Skarbek P.G.K., 778 Prospect Street, Maplewood, N. J. 07040, Telephone 761-5274.

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GRAND BALL

APRIL 22, 1972

Cocktail Hour — 7:30-8:30 P.M.

Dancing from 9 P.M.

Music by Don Hess and the Executives

Catering by Lo Bionda

Beer — Set-up

Dress — Semi-Formal

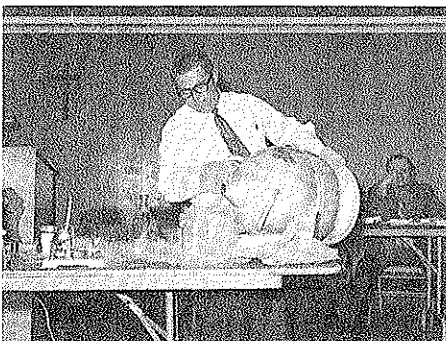
\$12 per person

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CALENDAR

- April 22 Grand Ball
Council Hall
7:30 p.m. Cocktail Hour
9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Music
- April 24 Regular Meeting
8:15 p.m. Council Hall
Speaker — Fr. William Stanton
- April 27 Exemplification of the
Admission and Formation
Degree 8:15 p.m.
- April 29 Minstrel Show
8:00 p.m. Burnett Jr. H.S.
Morris & Caldwell Aves.
\$2 per ticket
- April 30 Wheelchair Brigade
Runnells Hospital
8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- May 8 Regular Meeting
8:15 p.m. Council Hall
- May 12 Nuns & Widows Night
6:30 p.m. to 12 a.m.
- May 22 Regular Meeting
8:15 p.m. Council Hall
Living Rosary



Ray Sullivan put on a fantastic display of the world of ultra-cold for the Council at the March 27 meeting.

"The Drug Scene"

SOLVENTS

Sniffing solvents can kill a youngster. The most common solvents encountered as drugs that are being abused are nail-polish remover, lighter fluids, anesthetics, gasoline and airplane glue. Glue sniffing is considered addictive and is known to cause irreparable damage to the brain, nervous system, bone marrow and other vital organs of the body. It also causes nightmares, skin eruptions, and in many cases has been known to be the cause of death.

Solvents are abused mostly by children ranging from eight to sixteen years of age. Their method of use is quite simple. The user usually inhales a solvent in the most concentrated form as possible. This is done by taking a bag or cloth containing a solvent and holding it over your face. The fumes are then sniffed into the nasal passages, which in turn produces a buzzing sound in the ears. Within a few minutes most sniffers experience a state of confusion, slurred speech, dizziness and a feeling of well-being. Their vision becomes distorted and then they begin to have hallucinations and delusional ideas.

The duration of intoxication depends upon the extent of inhalation and will usually range from five to thirty minutes. However, a person who remains with his supply and continues to sniff from time to time may stay intoxicated for many hours. As the concentration of solvent fumes in his brain increases the user becomes drowsy and finally becomes unconscious. The next step can often be death for the abuser.

Inhaling of solvents is known to induce an aggressive behavior in individuals. They have been known to start fights, start fires, and to perform such dangerous acts as trying to fly from a roof. Explosions causing death have resulted from smoking and inhaling gasoline fumes at the same time. Death has also occurred from suffocation when a user has lost consciousness with his head in a plastic bag or with a mass of hardening cement blocking his air passage.

Children that are known to be solvent sniffers have a tendency to belong to one of the following categories: those who have anti-social personalities, those who are troubled and depressed by circumstances at home or at school, or those who enjoy taking risk because they are bored and adventurous.

Parents of younger children should be aware of this problem that exist with solvents and know what to look for in case their child is experimenting. Excessive nasal secretion, watering eyes, and poor muscular control are some of the symptoms of solvent abuse.

Presently there is no legislation with regard to solvent sniffing but some glue sniffers have been held in courts as juvenile delinquents.

Henry Toby

Knight of the Month April 1972



April is always noted for spring and it's flowers. But we at Union Council have another great for April and that's the name of Roy Trupiano as our Knight of the month.

Roy is always around the Council when you need assistance or a helping hand. He has been very active in his six years as a member and is presently council activities chairman. When not seen at the Council you can find Roy rehearsing for the Union Township Harmonica Band, or helping the youth at St. Michaels C.Y.O. Roy's musically inclined family consists of his charming wife Barbara and their two sons Bob and Jeff.

The Trupiano Family reside at 1509 A. Stuyvesant Avenue and are communicants of St. Michaels Parish.

Roy is employed at A.H. Roemer Book Distributors for the past 16 years and is presently their General Manager.

Many congratulations are to be extended to you Roy for the time and efforts you have given towards Columbianism.

Swim Club News

The directors for the 1972 Swim Club season are as follows:

- President Andy Tobia
- Secretary Frank Dickerson
- Pool Director John Killian
- Pool & Grounds Frank Zusi
- Work Parties & Passes Bill Renner
Joe Partley
- Membership Bill Taylor
Frank Weber
- Treasurer Herby Kay
- Comptroller Don Faughann
- Program Committee Rocco Corbo

Work parties will commence Saturday, April 8th. After April 8th every Wednesday and Saturday until Daylight Savings Time. Then every day until the Pool is ready for opening. We urge all members and non-members to take active part in our Work Parties. Only with your cooperation will the Work Parties be a success.

If we the Directors can be of any assistance to you please do not hesitate to ask or call.

Fraternally yours,
Andy Tobia

Lecturer's Program

The speaker for the Lecturer's Program on April 24 brings a deviation from our year long attempt to present talented members of Union Council. We did not stray far afield, however, since our speaker is greatly talented and is strictly local. Father William Stanton is the pastor of St. Lukes Episcopal Church on Chestnut St., Union and his subject will be the program he instituted locally. The program is appropriately called "We Care" and is a "help line" for people in distress. It is a program designed to assist those in need of someone to talk out their problems and have no one to turn to in their hour of stress or desperation. It is staffed by volunteers who are trained to give this type of assistance. We shall leave the "meat" of the program for "Father Bill", as he is affectionately known, to explain. We can tell you that the towns of Union, Hillside, Kenilworth and the City of Elizabeth are covered by Fr. Stanton's group. The "help line" phone is available from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. everyday. Fr. Stanton has indicated there is always room for volunteers to assist in this worthwhile endeavor. If this type of work appeals to you, do not fail to talk about it to Father Bill after the program.

Father Stanton was born in Philadelphia, Pa. and attended public schools and Temple University. After his graduation he entered the ministry and entered DuBose Seminary in Monteagle, Tenn. In 1941 he was ordained and married to his charming wife Eunice, a native of Huntsville, Alabama. Shortly thereafter it was off to West Nebraska where, due to the shortage of ministers by reason of so many having answered the call to service as chaplains for the Armed Forces of W. W. II, he found himself and six others ministering to the needs of the people in an area of 40,000 square miles. Fr. Stanton had six churches under his care. During this time he worked extensively with Japanese people whom he came to know and love. From Nebraska, the next stop was Kansas, then to Vineland, N. J. where he remained until summoned five years later by the Bishop of Western New York to assist him in his work. From there, Fr. Stanton returned to parish work coming to his present church, St. Lukes, three years ago.

Father's family consists of two sons Robert, a graduate of the Coast Guard Academy and now married, and William Jr., a year out of the Army, where he served in the Pentagon, now living at home and a daughter Mary a student in her junior year at Temple University.

Come on out to hear the personable and affable Fr. Stanton describe the workings of the oldest "help line" in the state. You owe it to yourself and your family to know what is heppening in our Town.

Random Thoughts

Since man is the highest form of life, and as individuals we pass through life only once it seems wise to get along with our fellow human beings as best we can. Therefore I present some remarks on the "Human Condition" that may assist us towards that goal: A man will be happy in about the same degree that he is helpful . . . Every man is a damn fool for at least five minutes each day; wisdom consists of not exceeding the limit . . . Your mental health will be better if you have lots of fun outside of your place of employment (like being active at the council) . . . How much we enjoy what we have is more important then how much we have. Life is full of people who have more then they know what to do with, but are not content. It is the capacity to enjoy life that brings contentment . . . The superior man rises by lifting others . . . If they gave rewards for finding fault some people would get rich quick . . . The highest reward for man's toil is not what he gets for it, but what he "becomes by it" . . . The trouble with some self-made men is that they worship their creator . . . Thank God, every morning when you get up, that you have something to do which must be done, whether you like it or not. Being forced to work, and forced to do your best will breed in you a hundred virtues which the idle never know . . . The bigger a man's head gets the easier it is to fill his shoes . . . The fellow who can't figure out what to do with a Sunday afternoon is often the same one who can't wait fore retirement . . . The definition of a living wage depends on whether you are getting it or giving it . . . The man who can enlist cooperation and respect without having to pull rank, has power of the most positive kind . . . There's no limit to what can be accomplished if it doesn't matter who gets the credit . . . Its a good idea to keep your words soft and sweet to the taste, you may have to eat them . . . The most important single ingredient in the formula of success is knowing how to get along with people . . . It may be true that people make more mistakes then computers, but for a real foul up give us a computer anytime . . . Life is hard to love, though we must love it because we have no other. To fail to love it is to cease to exist . . . A man is not old until regrets take the place of dreams . . . Following the path of least resistance is what makes men and rivers crooked. Men seldom drift to success . . . No horse gets anywhere until he is harnessed. No steam or gas ever drives anything until it is confined. No Niagara is ever turned into light and power until it is tunneled. No life ever grows great until it is focused, dedicated and disciplined.

Grand Knight Dominick Clementoni receiving Certificate of Appreciation from John Zimmerman for outstanding public service in support of the Boys' Club movement.



My-Brother Knights:

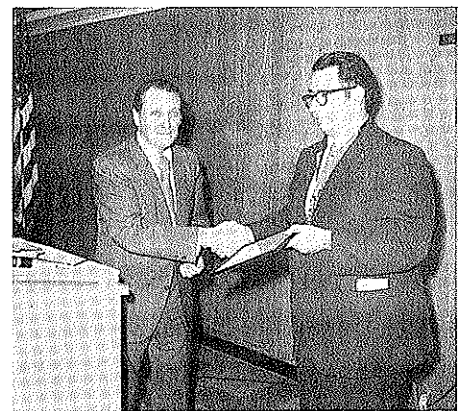
At the regular business meeting of March 13th, the recorder read to those present a letter from Father McKeon to the Grand Knight in which he resigns as the Chaplain of Union Council for personal reasons. Father McKeon has been granted a leave of absence for health reasons by Archbishop Boland. Father McKeon will be missed by all at Union Council. Perhaps the association between the Chaplain and the Grand Knight is just a little closer and he will be especially missed by me. After the Mass celebrated at the Council Home on Feb. 28, Father McKeon expressed to me how happy he was to see so many Brothers attend Mass and receive Communion that evening, and that our concern and efforts for increasing attendance at Catholic activities were beginning to bear fruit. I am sure he would have been pleased at the attendance Sunday afternoon March 5th at the Paschal Meal. Let us all remember him in our prayers, that he may regain his good health quickly.

Sincere Thanks to P.G.K. Bill Taylor, who organized and commentated at the Paschal Meal, also to Jack Bruno and his kitchen crew who gave up their Sunday to prepare the Paschal Meal. I was of spiritual enlightenment to those attending.

During the past few months the Knights of Columbus sponsored "EYES FOR THE NEEDY". Brother Mike La Medica chaired the project for Union Council. Through his efforts over 500 pairs of glasses were collected. Mike not only set up collection points at the Council and in the two Parishes, but also where he is employed. The Council wishes to THANK the employees of Allied Chemical for contributing their old glasses to a very worthwhile cause, and to say to Mike LaMedica "Thank You" for a job well done.

Brothers, just a reminder, April 22nd, 1972, the last social event for this council year, the Grand Ball. Hope to see you all there.

Fraternally yours,
DOM CLEMENTONI



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PRESENTS

A Minstrel Show

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DOWN
SOUTH**

DIRECTED BY JOE RUDDY

APRIL 29

8:00 PM

AT BURNET JUNIOR HIGH
MORRIS & CALDWELL
UNION, NEW JERSEY

TICKETS

\$2.00

