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CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2 — MONDAY
Officers and 6 Point meeting

NOVEMBER 9 — MONDAY
Regular Council Meeting
Special Memorial Services for
deceased members

NOVEMBER 15 — SUNDAY
Blood Bank Sunday

NOVEMBER 16 — MONDAY
First Degree at the Council
Home

NOVEMBER 23 — MONDAY
Regular Council Meeting

NOVEMBER 28 — SATURDAY
Annual Snowball Dance

NOVEMBER 29 — SUNDAY
Memorial Mass and Corporate
Communion
9:05 Mass, St. Michael's lower
Church

NOVEMBER 30 — MONDAY
Second Degree at the Council
Home

Are You Irritable?

Do you feel tired and run down? Aches and pains from cleaning and hanging storm windows bother you? Is your wife mad because you didn't get the flower beds covered before the frost? Pressures at work and chores at home getting the best of you?

We have the solution to all your irritation — see the last page for 'Our Remedy'.

10 Minutes A Day

We're looking for men who can give 10 minutes a day to say a decade of the Rosary. We presently have 35 members who have joined the Rosary chain, which is only 4% of our total membership. Surely there are many more brothers who can participate in this function. Most of us spend at least 5 to 15 minutes traveling to our place of business each day, and it takes less time than this to say a decade of the Rosary. We are anxious to boost the membership in the Rosary chain to 10% of our membership — we need 50 more men to reach this goal.

Can YOU afford NOT to give 10 minutes a day prayer?? Brother Rudy Steiner will be happy to sign you up before the start of any of our regular Council meetings.

Knight of the Month

Our selection for October's Knight of the Month is Brother Gene Zelazny. Gene has actively participated in Council affairs for some time, and last year served as Fraternal Activities Chairman. Under his direction our 1963 Blood Donor drive was one of the most successful we have had.



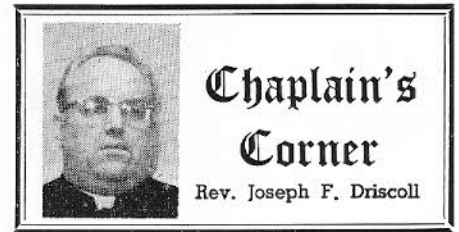
"Gene" Zelazny

Gene's professional abilities were called upon late in 1963, to prepare a study of the insulation and heating needs of the Council prior to paneling the meeting chamber. Again this year, he has been called upon to survey our needs in utilizing the swim club facilities for additional space as meeting and storage rooms during the off-season.

It takes no more than a 'phone call, and Gene is available to assist in any way possible. Congratulations, Gene on being selected Knight of the Month for October.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

September Joe Noel
October Gene Zelazny



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

The spiritual life of the Knight of Columbus must be based on prayer, and adapted to the individual's vocation. It should also be directed toward others, placing strong emphasis on the spirit of charity and the fact that we are our brothers keeper. The Knight as an apostle must acquire greater knowledge of his faith, because many modern Christians remain religiously illiterate, going through life with an inadequate, immature view of their faith and its teachings. If the apostle is to share his faith with others, he must find his strength in the word of God and in the liturgy of the Church.

To understand the modern world and its needs means that the Knight becomes personally concerned with the spiritual and social problems of his time, and sincerely tries to increase his understanding of them, both through formal study and association with other Knights in discussion clubs.

To an extent, the influence that a Knight will have on his environment and on his fellow men will be measured by his competency in his career. Living fully in the world, his task is to cultivate the temporal values inherent in creation and, by effectively promoting the common objectives of all serious men, he will be in a position to apply revealed truth to every aspect of life.

Combined Activities

Sunday, November 29th is the date set for the Memorial Mass for our deceased brothers, combined with the second Family Corporate Communion. All brother Knights and their families are invited to attend this annual Memorial Mass. 'Coffee and' will be served at the Council home following the Mass.

Remember: November 29th; St. Michael's lower Church; 9:05 Mass.

Memorial Services

At our regular Council meeting of November 9th, we will conduct special Memorial Services for our recently departed brothers, Thomas McCann, Martin Murphy, and James Walsh.

We urge all members to attend this beautiful and impressive ceremony to pay our respects to our departed Brothers.

Grand Knight's Message

Frank J. Dickerson



My Brother Knights:

November is designated by the Supreme Council, under the Six Point Program, as Memorial month in our fiscal calendar. Under the direction of Brother Pete Genova the Fraternal Activity group enters into probably its most active month of the council year.

On Monday, November 9th, the Council will conduct a Memorial Service in Remembrance of our deceased brothers, Thomas McCann, Martin Murphy, and James Walsh, prior to the start of the regular business meeting. I hope and trust that each brother will make an effort to attend this Memorial Service and join together in the solemn and beautiful exercise in commemoration of these deceased brothers.

On Sunday, November 15th, the Fraternal Activities group will conduct their annual Blood Donors Day. Let us make a small sacrifice now, so that in time of emergency in our families, we may not have to sacrifice the life or health of a loved one. This will be the only Donor Day held in this fiscal year, so let us make it the best we have had yet.

On Saturday evening, November 28th, a dinner dance will be held in honor of William Taylor, past Grand Knight, and Wilbur Donnelly, past Columbian Club President, at the Council home. This affair should surpass all others so that we may pay proper tribute to two very dedicated Brother Knights.

On Sunday morning, November 29th, the Catholic Activity group will join forces with the Fraternal Activity group and our second Corporate Communion will be held in conjunction with our annual Memorial Mass.

The intention for this Mass will be two-fold. We will remember all the deceased members of our Council, as we do annually, and the second intention is the remembrance of the anniversary of the death of our Brother Knight the late President of our United States, John F. Kennedy.

I trust that we will all make a special effort to afford ourselves of the opportunity to take part, in large numbers, in the activities taking place during this Memorial Month. Our Six Point Program group have given us an opportunity to perform both spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Don't fail them, please join us.

Liturgical Changes Explained

As most of us know, many changes are being made in the liturgy of the Church which are important to all of us as Catholics. In order that all of us be made aware of these changes, we are publishing some of them here for your edification.

AT MASS: Mass will be simpler so you can understand it better, and large parts of it will be in English. You will sing hymns and psalms, and recite a new "prayer of the faithful" after the Gospel. On certain occasions you will receive both bread and wine at Communion.

THE SACRAMENTS: Baptism, marriage and other sacraments will all be in English. Extreme Unction will be for ALL SICK PEOPLE.

THE SACRAMENTALS: Other musical instruments besides the organ will be heard in church. There will be many revisions in the area of Sacramentals.

LITURGICAL YEAR: Easter may be a fixed permanent date. Many Saints days will be omitted. There will be revised rules for fasting and abstinence.

We may ask ourselves why does the present liturgy need to be "restored?"

Because these are modern times, with modern man's own needs. Many customs and procedures which grew with the Church are no longer needed.

When a tree is pruned all unnecessary branches and growths are removed. The result is not only a more beautiful tree but a healthier one.

This is why the Vatican Council's aims are two-fold: to fit the liturgy to the times and to restore its original strength and beauty to modern man.

THE CARDINALS NEST

The Cardinals Nest is a new column that will be featured in the Digest every issue, covering the activities of the Fourth Degree members of our Council. Welcome aboard Cardinals.

On Sunday, November 8, a cocktail party will be held from 3 to 6 P.M. in the Council Home, for all members of the Fourth Degree. We also want to remind all Fourth Degree members of the John Dawson Gilmory Shea General Assembly Communion breakfast to be held on Sunday, November 22. Wives are invited to attend this affair. For details contact Russ Coen, president of The Cardinals, or Charlie Howes.

COUNCIL PERSONALITIES

Mention the name of Vince Squazzo around the Council and faces brighten with a smile, and humor and general good feeling prevail. Known and referred to affectionately as the Worthy Organist, Vince can be found at the piano at the opening and closing of the meetings. In addition to his "official" duties at the meetings, he is frequently prevailed upon for post-meeting entertaining. His sparkling efforts are always well received, and have been for many years.



"Vince" Squazzo

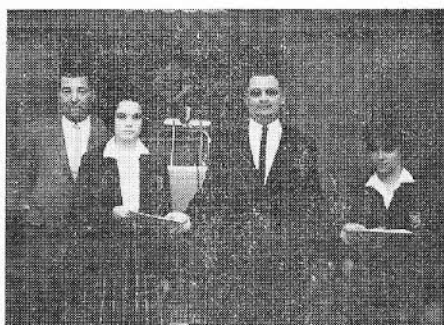
Born and raised in New York City, Vince has been a resident of Union since 1933. According to him there's "no place like Jersey".

Vince and his wife Helen have been married for 42 years, have two sons, Vincent and Charles, and four grandchildren.

Vocationally, Vince is a supervisor with R.C.A. in New York City, and the proud possessor of the Paul Revere Silver Bowl for forty years service. He will have completed 45 years service in March 1965. One of his most memorable experiences is his working with the famous inventor Guglielmo Marconi, early in his career.

Forty-five years a Knight of Columbus, Vince's initial membership was in Bedford Council in Brooklyn, which he joined in 1919. He is a charter member of Union Council, and one of the co-signers of the original note financing the construction of the Council home. Vince is also active in St. Michael's Holy Name Society, and has been an usher there for many years.

It's men like Vince who through their support and energies over the years, make the Knights of Columbus, and especially Union Council what it is today.



Grand Knight Frank Dickerson presents Essay Awards to Janice Gramegna and Nancy Dougherty.

Essay Winners

The winners of this year's Christopher Columbus Essay Contest were Janice Gramegna and Nancy Dougherty, both of whom are eighth grade students at St. Michael's school. An award of a twenty-five dollar savings bond was presented to each of the winners by Grand Knight Frank Dickerson at the regular Council meeting of October 12.

The contest is sponsored each year by the Civic and Cultural Committee of the Council, with the cooperation of the Sisters and teachers of St. Michael's school. The essay this year was to contain 300 to 400 words on the topic, "The Perseverance of Christopher Columbus Should Be An Inspiration To Youth".

Our congratulations to these two youngsters for their fine work.

COLUMBIAN CLUB

Now that the swim club is closed and the picnic and play areas have been secured for the winter months, we turn our attention to the other activities of the Council that are not necessarily relaxing, but nevertheless must be done.

With the many wedding parties and other engagements taking place in the Council hall, your services are needed more than ever to set up the hall for these affairs as well as tending bar and assisting in many other ways.

Like anything else in life, the things that least appeal to us are the ones that need the most work. This is true in the Council also, especially the 'day after the night before', cleaning the hall after the many affairs. This is a big job that gets little help. If enough men pitch in, the time required is little, but when left to only a few it can be a tedious task.

These various affairs are the backbone of the financial status of the Council, and without them we could not maintain our facilities, that we all enjoy at one time or another.

This is your chance to give that little bit extra — see Mike Pacyna or Julius Nick now — they can use your help, — we all can.

ALLEY CHATTER

As we go to press the Tuesday Nite House League shapes up like this for the first five positions:

Team	Wins	Losses
Jets	18	7
Faucets	18	7
Spoilers	16	9
Mixers	15	10
Nite Owls	15	10

High game for the season is a 246 rolled by Charlie Minervino of the Comets. High Individual series is held by Joe De Sordo of the Mixers with a 678. Joe, by the way, is doing good with an average of 183 for the season so far.

The early season aches and pains have disappeared and everyone is settling down to serious bowling. As you can see from the above standings the teams are working well together, and league secretary "Red" McMahon says "it's a good league, a good league." (he frequently repeats himself).

We took notice again of some of the bowlers who seem to stand out in the "form" department — guys like Jack Robbins, who seems to have a "peep-sight" on that root-beer colored ball of his; and Jim Dunne who can't forget his weight lifting days, with his two hand "overhead press".

TRAGEDY'S COINCIDENCES

One year ago this month, our nation was horrified by the untimely death of our President, John F. Kennedy. Recently a compilation of astounding coincidences between two assassinated Presidents of the United States — Abraham Lincoln and John F. Kennedy — has been seen in many places. The source is unknown, but the facts are extraordinary.

Both President Lincoln and President Kennedy were concerned with the issue of Civil Rights.

Lincoln was elected in 1860 and Kennedy in 1960.

Both Presidents were slain on a Friday and in the presence of their wives.

Their successors, both named Johnson, were Southerners, Democrats, and had previously served in the U. S. Senate.

Andrew Johnson was born in 1808 and Lyndon B. Johnson in 1908.

John Wilkes Booth and Lee Harvey Oswald were both murdered before trials could be arranged.

Booth and Oswald were Southerners favoring unpopular ideas.

Both Presidents' wives lost children through death while residing in the White House.

Lincoln's secretary, whose name was Kennedy, advised him not to go to the theater.

President Kennedy's secretary, whose name was Lincoln, advised him not to go to Dallas.

President Kennedy was shot to death in a Lincoln made by the Ford Co.

Lincoln was shot in Ford's theater.

John Wilkes Booth shot Lincoln in a theater box and afterward ran to a warehouse.

Oswald shot Kennedy from a warehouse and ran to a theater.

The names of Lincoln and Kennedy each contain seven letters.

The names of Andrew Johnson and Lyndon Johnson each contain thirteen letters.

The names John Wilkes Booth and Lee Harvey Oswald each contain fifteen letters.

Blood Donors Day

Brothers the time is once again approaching for us to remind you of our great need for BLOOD, — YOUR BLOOD. This is our FINAL APPEAL—BLOOD DONORS DAY is SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15th at the COUNCIL HOME, 12:00 to 6:00 P.M. Dinner will be served to all donors.

For the benefit of some of our newer Brothers, our Blood Bank is for the use of your wife and children as well as yourself, as long as they reside in your household. The blood bank itself is controlled by the Eastern Blood Bank, to whom we must GUARANTEE 30 PINTS of the first 100 PINTS OF BLOOD. The remaining, or anything over 30 pints is credited to UNION COUNCIL.

You can see our need is not just for blood, but for blood in sufficient quantity to enable us to replenish our Council's available supply. This is an annual appeal — let's go over the top this year — support YOUR BLOOD BANK now. Your blood may save a life; that life may be your own.

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BALLANTINE DEMONSTRATION

At a bartenders meeting held on October 8th at the Council, Mr. Joseph Lytle, Service Representative of P. Ballantine & Son Breweries gave a talk and demonstration on the proper techniques of tapping and pouring beer.

In his opening remarks Mr. Lytle emphasized that the key to a good glass of beer is three-fold: clean glassware, proper temperature, and accurate pressure. His demonstration included not only the proper techniques, but also some of the more common mistakes made by the non-professional bartender.

Each man present was afforded the opportunity to 'tap' a keg, (a full one) and learn to 'draw' a good glass of beer. The demonstration was an informative one and most of the members present learned many things before the evening ended.

Arrangements for the demonstration were made by Brother Edward J. Pawlowski, who is a Division Manager with the Brewery.

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OUR REMEDY

The Friday Nite Social of course. Come out and join us with your wife. Forget your troubles, or better yet—tell 'em to the bartender — he's always a good listener. We guarantee a relaxing evening for you and your wife. Its worth a try, and you have nothing to lose. Every Friday nite is Social Nite, from opening 'till closing. See you there.

PUBLIC DECENCY

Four judges of the Essex County (New Jersey) Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court in their annual report deplored the easy availability of obscene publications and what they considered the inadequacy of laws dealing with pornography.

The report said: "Delinquents coming before the court have available to them in the public market a vast array of crime stories, masochistic (mas'och-ism: abnormal sexual passion characterized by pleasure in being abused by one's associate), fetishistic (fe-tish-ism: fixation or erotic interest on a part of the body) and obscene magazines containing borderline or lewd stories. The availability of such publications in our Essex communities defies description."

The judges expressed the view that "the purveyor is becoming more daring, pushing sales by every means, because he has very little to fear from the law." They called upon parents to exercise proper control of their children's reading material and to provide proper sex education.

They cited the report of a New Jersey legislative commission which warned in 1962 that "the sale of pornographic material is a \$10,000,000 to \$14,000,000 business in New Jersey and is a serious threat to the ethical and moral well-being of our youth."

Many groups are aware of this threat to our youth and keep the public informed of the problem. One such interested group, Operation Yorkville—the interfaith group which is fighting pornography, has called attention to the defense that the American Civil Liberties Union gave to a book dealer accused of selling an alleged pornographic book to a minor. A state law forbidding such practices was declared unconstitutional by the New York Court of Appeals and according to OY has "rendered New York State virtually lawless in the field of obscenity."

A resolution adopted at the eighty-second annual meeting of the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus requested that every K. of C. Council establish a committee to seek a commission in each city and town to protect "youth and family life in our communities from the influence of salacious literature." We cannot condone the actions of individuals and groups who in defiance of the common good favor perversion and extreme individualism over the philosophical principles of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution which call for RIGHT to prevail.

SNOWBALL DANCE

On November 28th the Council will hold its annual Snowball Dance, honoring past Grand Knight William Taylor and past Columbian Club president Wilbur Donnelly. Both these men have contributed much in time, thought and energy to advance our Council to its present position, the best there is.

Think back to the start of the Council year, I'm sure you can see the very evident changes that took place to enhance our Council. The increase in membership, attendance at meetings, social and other functions of the Council and Columbian Club, are the direct result of the leadership and guidance of these two men.

We are presently thinking about hiring the Boy's Club next door, so we can provide you with more room, and at the same time handle an additional two hundred or more people. In this way we hope we can eliminate the disappointment some of you have experienced in the past, due to the limited capacity of our own hall. Additional details are being worked out now, and we will keep you posted of our plans.

As in the past, tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis. You have the date — November 28th. Make your plans now—we are.

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Men of Distinction

Men of distinction may drink Calverts, and knowledgeable men may drink Imperial, but men of integrity wear the pin of the Knights of Columbus.

A man who wears the Knights of Columbus insignia is looked up to by his friends and neighbors. They know this is the sign of a man who is trustworthy, one who possesses the highest ethical standards. You are looked upon to lead your brothers in the fight for everything that is right and just.

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is a privilege only a small percentage of Catholic men possess. We must guard this privilege by the careful selection of our members. This does not mean we should be selfish and not admit new members, but rather that we extend an invitation to any good, practical Catholic friend or neighbor. Many of these men are hoping for an invitation to be extended to them — if you know of anyone, why not sponsor them now.

Grand Knight Frank Dickerson has scheduled a First Degree for Nov. 16, a Second Degree, Nov. 30, and a Third Degree for Dec. 5. Sponsor your candidate now — let's pack the house for these degrees.

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