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## FR. PALISITS NEW CHAPLAIN



Fr. John Palisits

Father John F. Palisits has been appointed Chaplain of Union Council No. 4504 to succeed Fr. Driscoll who was transferred to Westwood New Jersey.

In an acceptance speech to the Council Fr. Palisits stated that; "the spirituality of Union Council will be my prime objective."

Father John A. Palisits our new chaplain is no stranger to Union Council 4504. Since his ordination in 1958 he has been a curate at St. Michael's Church and joined the council that same year.

Father was born and raised in Jersey City. He is the 3rd of 4 sons of Ernest and Margaret Palisits. He attended public grammar and high schools in Jersey City. As a senior at Snyder High, he decided to become a priest and transferred to Seton Hall Prep where he graduated in 1950. After his college years at Seton Hall University and seminary training at Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington, he was ordained by Bishop Martin Stanton at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newark on May 31, 1958. He offered his 1st Solemn Mass the following day at Our Lady of Victories Church, Jersey City. Shortly after his ordination he was assigned to St. Michael's. Father's younger brother, Bob, lives in Holy Spirit Parish and is a member of the Council. On his off day, Father Palisits can be found in Lavallette visiting his widowed mother who lives there year round. Besides his priestly work, Father considers it his greatest joy to be with his mother, his brothers and their families.

### ANNUAL BALL

#### SLATED FOR APRIL 12

Union Council's social highlight of the year is planned for Saturday April 12th at the Council with what is promised as the gayest most festive Gala Ball yet.

This SRO affair is a must on the calendar. Tickets are priced at \$20.00 per couple and a better bargain would be hard to find. The decorating committee is in full swing to dress the council for this years festivities. Dress is optional.

We recommend early purchase of tickets so that you will not be disappointed at the last minute. Mark your calendar now for April 12th. You'll be glad you did.

**HAVE YOU SPONSORED  
A NEW MEMBER ?**

### SWIM CLUB

#### FUN AND FROLIC



Fun, frolic, games, and costumes were the order of the day at the Swim Club Dance held at the Council Chamber. A sell-out crowd thoroughly enjoyed the festivities and the picking of best costumes. Shown above are four of the winners: Pete Deo, Mrs. Zuzi, Tony Sibilia and Mrs. Pruszkowski. Ed Stonack had a superb costume but had donned it prior to the picture taking.

### EDITORIAL

One day recently while walking through O'hare International Airport in Chicago, on my way to Omaha, I was thoroughly depressed with the sight of the mangy-bearded dirty-looking young people who seemed to be constantly passing by. This depression followed me onto the Boeing 727 as we roared down the runway on our way to Omaha.

As chance would have it, a young sailor occupied the seat next to me and, being an old navy-hand, I struck-up a conversation, which turned out to be all one-sided. This young sailor, enthralled to be getting home for a fifteen day leave, poured out his heart. He talked about his love and respect for his father - his love of the land - his eight brothers and sisters - his feeling that he was fighting for freedom - his love of God - the need for justice for all men. And I listened-and listened-and slowly, but inexorably, the depression that had followed me six miles into the sky lifted, and a contentment set-in. For once again I realized that this boy really represented America and its ideals. He and millions more like him, whether it be in 4H clubs, Vietnam or the college campuses. We just haven't heard enough about them. It once again showed the folly of condemning a whole group for the antics of a few. It's a lesson that we must learn repeatedly.

### New Degrees to be Held on March 29th

On March 29th both a first and second degree under the new format will be held in honor of Archbishop Boland. These will be the Admission and Formation Degrees.

This in no small way indicates the Knights of Columbus support of Archbishop Boland in his controversy with a group of dissident priests, who, in a most uncharitable way, dogmatically asserted that the Archbishop was dogmatic.

Each Council in the state is asked to participate in these degrees and all members are urged to sign-up that cousin, uncle, brother or friend who you know would make a good Knight of Columbus member.

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## CALENDAR

March 10  
 Regular meeting - "Irish Night"  
 8:15 p.m.

March 16  
 Youth Bowling Banquet - 2:00 p.m.

March 17  
 St. Patrick's Day

March 19  
 J.F.K. 4th Degree Regular meeting  
 8:15 p.m.

March 24  
 Regular meeting - "N.Y. Giants  
 Highlights" 8:15 p.m.

March 27  
 Columbian Club Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

March 29  
 Easter Egg Hunt - 2:00 p.m.

April 4  
 Good Friday

April 6  
 Easter Sunday

April 12  
 Annual Grand Ball - \$20.00/couple

May 16-18  
 State Convention - Atlantic City

May 28  
 Puerto Rico Holiday -  
 \$235.00/person

## Safety Tip

Improve your Vision

Brush Snow from ALL Windows

## Random Thoughts

by

Jim Moran

Some thoughts to ponder on life, your life: In this world each man is given a task, one all his own, an individual role he is assigned to play in mankind's general task of creating goodness. No one else can perform this particular role he is given. In this way some measure of justice is introduced into the world. For feelings of injustice come only when we measure our lot against the lot of others. What you do and what happens to you, is yours alone. Your life doesn't have to be thought of as "more than" or "less than" anything else.

Our lives are an assignment, and we cannot be sorry for ourselves if we don't perform the assignment well. Each person's obligation is to live as best he can, under the special circumstances he has been placed in, knowing his task is equal in importance to any other. At times this is difficult. Surely, God must judge you on how you have fulfilled your assignment, not on what the assignment happens to be. One may not like the world around him, but what he does about that world, determines whether it will get him down. You won't be able to fix the world yourself, but your effort, together with the efforts of all your fellow men, will help. Over the centuries man has progressed. He will continue to progress further in the boundless time ahead. The future depends on it. While being worried about the world, worry more importantly how we live our lives in it. . . .

. . . A few lines to help you smile:

Now there's a Beatnik Who's Who, it's the Kook Book! . . . The electronic computer saves man a lot of guesswork, but so does a bikini. . . Show me a strong canary cranking a music box, and I'll show you a strudy-birdy with a herdy-gurdy. (blame Ed Olas for that one). . . Fined \$215.00 for operating slot machines, a Los Angeles woman, still protesting her innocence - paid-off with 860 quarters! . . . I'm constantly amazed at those young things with their hairdo's and skin-tight pants. And the girls are even worse. . . Of course Americans trust in God. You can tell by the way they drive. . . Money doesn't talk anymore, it just goes without saying.

## HURRY BACK

To Eugene O'Connell of 1265 Glenn Avenue who is recuperating at home after a heart attack and to Ed Brennan who is ill in the hospital. . . And it was good to see George Arnold P.G.K. back at the Council after his tragic accident. George may have some physical damage but his mental outlook is brighter than ever. Nice to see you again George.

## Knight of the Month

FEBRUARY



Mr. Rocco J. Corbo

Our genial Knight of the month for February is the tireless Rocco Corbo, who over the years has shown his willingness to work beyond the call of duty, whether it be in the kitchen or in the back or on Council Activities.

Rocco, who lives at 891 Randolph Place, is a parishioner of Holy Spirit. He is employed for the last 30 years by Worthington Pump in Harrison in Engineering Services. Born in Newark, Rocco attended the Newark College of Engineering. Married to the former Philomena Belfiore, he moved to Union 11 years ago. He has three children: Anne Corbo, Doris Hudak, and Robert Corbo who is 18.

For over 20 years Rocco has been associated with the Irvington Vocational School System where he presently teaches machine shop practice at night.

Our best wishes go to Rocco J. Corbo, our Knight of the Month for February.

## EASTER EGG HUNT

The Family Activities Committee announces that on March 29th the Annual Children's Easter Egg Hunt will be held in the picnic grove at the Council. The Egg Hunt is open to all children of Brother Knights up to and including 7 years of age. The time is set at 2:00 p.m. sharp.

## Lecturer Plans

### Irish Night

After a very successful "Italian Night" highlighted by an Italian decor to the Council Hall and a most interesting film on Italy, topped off with the most magnificent of Italian food, Lecturer Bill Renner has planned an "Irish Night" for the March 10th meeting. If this program is as good as the last, we suggest that if you don't mark off this date to attend the regular meeting, you'll be missing out on an evening of fine food and entertainment.

At the March 24th meeting highlights of the N.Y. Giants 1968 season will be shown after the regular meeting.



## E Scriptis Equitis Magni

During the month of February we saw three important dates: There's Lincoln's Birthday on February 12th, the great day for all lovers, Valentine's Day, February 14th, and the birthday of the Father of our Country, George Washington on February 22nd.

Yes, three important dates to remember, but there's a fourth date to keep in mind. That is Wednesday February 19th, Ash Wednesday. This date marked the beginning of Lent for us, the beginning of the penitential season in preparation for Christ's death on the cross and His glorious Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

The lenten season means different things to different people. Some try to lose that extra weight we gained during the cold winter months. Others try to give-up smoking. Many partake of the extra religious services that are offered to us. What ever we do, let us all remember that we should always act for the honor and glory of God and the salvation of our immortal soul.

The next bit of news I have for you is the changes in our degrees. The directive has come down from the Supreme Headquarters in New Haven that as of March 29th, 1969 all the degrees will follow the new format. The changes are many and varied. To many of us, what we knew as the three degrees we took are all gone by-the-boards. They are all new, all different and with many surprises. If I may, I would advise you to see any degree staged between now and March 29th.

For further reference, keep in mind two dates: Saturday April 12th, our Annual Grand Ball, and the weekend of May 16th, 17th and 18th, the Annual State Convention.

## CONDOLENCES

To the family of Frank Fackelman, Brother Knight of Union Council who passed away recently. Also to Ed Stonack on the recent loss of his mother.

## Old Digests Wanted

Anyone having copies of the following old Knight Digest's please contact the Editor. Copies will be returned after duplication:

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1959 - January, March, October

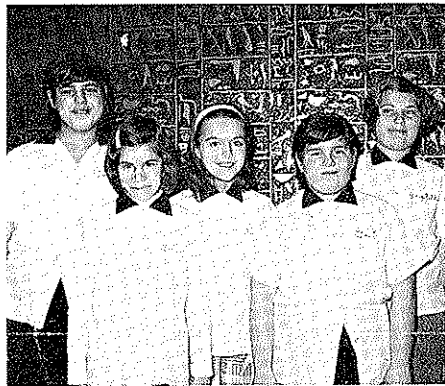
1961 - Jan., Feb., March, April, May, June

## Tiny Tots Take Titles



Shown above with broad smiles, and why not, are Toni Ianni and Karen Wayne after copping the Girls Doubles Bantam Championship title. Toni, who lives at 570 Malcolm Road in Union, is one of the favorites each Saturday morning at the Youth Bowling League with her infectious laughter and winning-ways. Karen lives at 2099 High Street and, as can be seen, is proud as a peacock. Quiet and pleasant, Karen is also a favorite around the 4 seasons.

Not satisfied though with winning the doubles, Toni and Karen teamed up with three other players and went on to win the Girls Team Bantam Title for Union County. This winning combination, shown below, includes Doreen Venezia, Debbie Schaeffer, Karen Wayne, Toni Ianni and Mary Beth Dzuna.



Third place in the Union County Bantam Championships went to five more girls of the Knights Youth Bowling League. They are shown below from l. to r. : Barbara Weizel, Susan Whirty, Liza Fazzari, Joanne Cantalupo and Kathy Rugg.



## CONGRATULATIONS

Recognizing leadership ability, Berkely Savings and Loan has promoted our own Grand Knight Henry F. J. Skarbek to Manager of its Chancellor Avenue Office. Best Wishes Henry.

## COPS COUNSEL COUNCIL

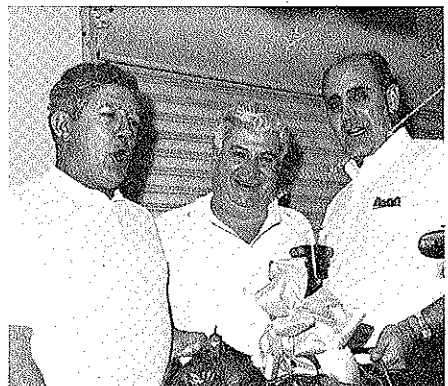


In an informative and interesting program Union Township Detective Walter Leamy and Captain Donald Ebert, shown above flanking Lecturer William Renner, presented a talk and film on how to burglarproof your home. In addition, they displayed a well done documentary on the function of the police in the community.

Pointing out that most people do not have the fondest conception as how to protect their homes Capt. Ebert said: "Although statistics prove that practically all burglaries are perpetrated by entry through the rear door or the cellar, people will invariably concentrate on double and triple locks for the front door. When they do lock the back door properly they usually locate the lock just below a pane of glass that makes it a simple matter for the burglar to break through and open the latch."

The film pointed out various ways to properly bolt doors to reduce the possibility of entry.

## Pig Roast Gourmet's Delight



The pig-roast frivolities are epitomized above as three participants, John Fleno, Sal Tavaglione and Andy Tobia let out with a song as they admire their handiwork on the platter. A superb meal, a culinary delight was served to some thirty participants.