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" GRAND BALL — APRIL 24th "

ANNUAL BALL

On April 24th our council will hold its seventh annual Grand Ball at the Council Home, beginning at 9:00 p.m. The theme of the Ball this year is April in Paris, and everything possible is being done to make it THE affair of the year. As in past years, dress for the affair is optional—formal or semi-formal.

As this is the one big Council affair each year, tickets will be restricted to members of UNION COUNCIL ONLY, until April 12th at which time any unsold tickets will be made available to non-members who wish to attend. Tickets will go on sale after the regular council meeting of March 22, at \$15.00 per couple, which includes dinner and drinks.

A capacity crowd is anticipated, so we suggest you purchase your tickets in time to guarantee your own attendance.

MEMBERSHIP AWARD

Union Council was the recipient of the 1964-65 Certificate of Honor in recognition of its outstanding achievement in fulfilling requirements for the membership honor roll.

Membership Chairman Andy Popp presented the certificate to Grand Knight Dickerson at the regular council meeting of February 22nd.

The membership and admissions committee, under the capable direction of Brother Andy Popp have processed 116 applicants this year. They have had 4 first degrees, 3 second degrees, and 3 third degrees since September of last year.

The committee has worked hard throughout the council year, and certainly deserves the thanks of the entire membership for their accomplishments.

SWIM CLUB NEWS

As this issue of the Digest reaches you, in all probability you are giving serious thought to the many chores facing you in the spring of the year. We too, are thinking along these lines, and as you know there is a great deal of "spring cleaning" needed before the pool season opens.

A substantial savings can be realized by the Swim Club, if we can do many of the necessary chores around the pool ourselves, and there are many things to be done.

The Swim Club is a cooperative venture, and each of us has an equal stake in its operation and success. Later this month the pool grounds committee will contact Swim club members to organize work parties, to prepare the pool for opening on Memorial Day. Whatever time and assistance you can give us now will ensure an enjoyable, relaxing summer for you and your family.

By the way, dues for the 1965 season are due by April 1st. Have you paid yet? In the event you have forgotten, the dues this year are \$65.00. The Swim Club Committee advises us that they have made arrangements with a new operating firm, and many activities are planned for the enjoyment of all. Here are a few of the activities included: FREE swimming lessons for adults and children; Jr. and Sr. life saving instruction; water ballet lessons and teams for aquatic events; organized athletics for adults and children, and many others.

An important point that we cannot neglect to mention, is that the hours of operation of the pool have been extended with the approval of the Township of Union, to 8:00 p.m. Monday thru Saturday. This means some extra swimming time for Dad after that hard day at the office.



Membership Chairman Andy Popp presents Membership Honor Roll Certificate to Grand Knight Frank Dickerson

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CALENDAR

APRIL 5 — MONDAY

Officers and Six Point Meeting

APRIL 10 — SATURDAY

3rd Degree at the Council Home

APRIL 12 — MONDAY

Regular Council Meeting —
8:15 P.M.

APRIL 18 — SUNDAY

Easter Sunday

APRIL 23 — FRIDAY

Indoctrination Nite for new
members and their wives

APRIL 24 — SATURDAY

GRAND BALL at the Council
Home

APRIL 26 — MONDAY

Regular Council Meeting
8:15 P.M.

Annual Columbian Club Meet-
ing and election of Columbian
Club officers

APRIL 29 — THURSDAY

Monthly Columbian Club
meeting

PUBLIC DECENCY

For the 700 stores which are co-operating with parish committees throughout our Archdiocese, you can feel safe in the fact that the literature displayed and sold will not corrupt the youth committed to your care. Do the stores that you patronize sell only good literature?

From St. Paul, Minnesota, we hear of the courageous efforts of their mayor to get newsstand operators to remove some of the more smutty offerings from their racks. The American Civil Liberties Union has attacked the mayor's program.

At present, Mayor Vavoulis has asked the public to cooperate in getting rid of smut, obscenity and just plain dirty literature that clutters up store windows and racks of our fair city. He says he intends to continue the drive against the sale of such materials "whether the Minnesota Branch of the American Civil Liberties Union likes it or not."

"I wonder," he commented, "whose liberties they are trying to protect—those of the smut peddlers or of the good citizens of St. Paul."

He suggested that the American Civil Liberties Union and any other organization that expects support should "fight to help protect the sound moral values on which our Country was founded."

Are YOUR city officials enforcing our Moral Laws?

Wheelchair Basketball

The wheelchair basketball game sponsored by the council on Saturday, March 6th, for the benefit of the Theresa Gargalowitz fund was a huge success. The Jersey Wheelers defeated the New England Clippers, 42-32, before a capacity crowd in the Kawameeh Jr. High School gymnasium.

A check in the amount of \$250.00, which represented our share of the proceeds of the game, was presented to the chairman of the Theresa Gargalowitz Fund by Grand Knight Frank Dickerson.

ETHICS AND THE PRACTICAL CATHOLIC

"Ethics in Business" has a broader meaning than business ethics or simple morality. A man's ethics involves more than refraining from cheating or lying. His entire business life, all of his interpersonal relationships on all levels are colored and influenced by his ethics. They are part and parcel of his character, his behavior and his attitude toward all his brothers with whom he is in contact. If your personal values and ethics are weak you will communicate them to others, and cause lack of confidence and distrust among our brothers.

Almost every breach of ethics that can be committed by "doing" or "saying" has its opposite number in a sin of omission.

There is probably no brother who hasn't observed or heard about instances of injustices that were done simply by NOT saying or NOT acting, or failing to give credit where credit was due; failing to come forward and admit a mistake; neglecting responsibility; damning by faint praise; surrendering a position of trust by sheer default.

We must question our personal ethics daily, and we must answer them. Questions of honesty and decency; discipline or compassion; questions that concern our families, friends, and neighbors; questions of loyalty and discretion.

The life of a practical Catholic can be a most difficult road to travel, and to also be a member of the Knights of Columbus can be an additional burden. The accomplishment of these two tasks requires constant hard work, but the rewards are a great feeling of brotherly love and happiness.

The emblem of the Knights of Columbus is an outward sign of our faith and the mark of a man who practices good Catholic ethics twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

WEAR THE EMBLEM OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

ELECTION OF COLUMBIAN CLUB OFFICERS

As required in the By-Laws, OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF UNION COUNCIL 4504, OF THE ANNUAL COLUMBIAN CLUB MEETING AND ELECTION OF COLUMBIAN CLUB OFFICERS for the 1965-66 fiscal year, said ELECTION TO BE HELD as part of the regular council meeting of MONDAY, APRIL 26, 1965.

As part of this annual meeting, the financial report and audit of the Columbian Club will be presented to the membership. ALL members of the council are urged to attend this all important meeting, and participate in the voting for YOUR Columbian Club officers.

Grand Knight's Message

Frank J. Dickerson



GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

My Brother Knights:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I report to you the complete success of our "Benefit Basketball" game which was held on Saturday, March 6th. Our net profit for the game was \$511.50, which was more than double last year's total. The sum of \$255.75 will be donated by resolution to the two worthy causes for which the game was presented. I certainly wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all who contributed to the success of the affair. The family of Theresa Gargolowitz, the New Jersey Wheelers and New England Clippers have also asked that their appreciation be conveyed to the members of Union Council, their families and friends, for the fine support which was given to aid their cause.

In a very short time the most attractive and important function of the council activities committee will be held. Upon the success of our "Anniversary Ball," many of our Council projects are dependent. The most important phase of the work entailed each year in preparation for the ball is the "Souvenir Journal." At the time you receive this issue only a few short weeks will remain before the "journal" will go to press. Help Brother Jerry Shaw and his committee to make this the most successful book we have ever had. If you do not have time to solicit an ad, subscribe as a booster or patron. It is our hope that with a successful journal we may be able to direct a sum of money toward our common goal, the liquidation of the mortgage on our Council Home.

In addition to the "journal," many hours of work remain in preparation for the dance. Please cooperate with Brother Armstrong and his committee by making early reservations, and perhaps by giving a few hours of your free time to help decorate the Council Home. Bob has a few surprises lined up, and with your cooperation the evening of April 24th will be a most memorable one for all who attend.

Fraternally yours,
FRANK DICKERSON

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

How long has it been since you looked at your traveling card? Are you a paid up member? Don't take a chance on being dropped from the membership rolls of the council.

It's hard to believe that with all Union Council has to offer its members, a large percentage of our members are behind in their dues, and can be faced with the possibility of 'ipso facto' forfeiture of membership in the near future.

Time and time again throughout the year the Officers and Six Point Chairmen have asked at the council meetings for your support, not only in attending the functions of the council, but more for your support in helping to arrange for the affairs by assisting on their committees. Seldom if ever, has the Financial Secretary asked for your support in the prompt payment of your dues.

The word SUPPORT as defined in the dictionary, and as it would apply to us as Brother Knights, has 3 main definitions: 1) Physical, 2) Moral, 3) Financial; Physically — to hold up; to keep from sinking or falling; 2) Morally — to uphold by aid or countenance; to uphold or defend as valid, what is right or just; 3) Financially — To pay the costs of or maintain; to furnish with funds or means for maintenance.

We are concerned now with the third definition, financial support, as it applies to each of us. Certainly by the mere fact that we are members of Union Council, we are obligated to support the council financially AT LEAST by paying our dues, if in no other way. We are not asking for a donation, but rather that you meet your MORAL OBLIGATION to the council, to support it financially through the prompt payment of your dues.

Annually, each council must pay to the Supreme Council, a 'per capita' tax based on the total number of members listed on your council rolls. Our tax this year was based on approximately 860 members, 35% of whom are behind in their dues, as of this writing. This tax is included in YOUR dues payable to the council. If you have not paid your dues, the money must still be paid to the Supreme Council and is therefore, of necessity drawn from council funds that have been set aside for other purposes.

Your neglect or oversight in paying your dues can create an additional financial burden on the council, and seriously curtail any future plans. YOUR time for decision and action is NOW Brothers. If you are among those who are behind in their

Knight of the Month

John Fleno has been selected as our Knight of the Month for March, and a good selection it is, for John has been active around the council for some time now, and this year he has really been kept busy.

When not working with the council Activities committee decorating the hall for our affairs and helping with the many other details that go into a successful social undertaking, John can usually be found interviewing new applicants. As a member of the Membership and Insurance Committee, John has contributed greatly to the processing of over 115 candidates so far this year, a job which requires a great deal of time, and frequently on very short notice.

For relaxation John occasionally takes over as mixologist (bartender), and frequently works with the kitchen committee.

He has been a member of Union Council since October 1961, and is a familiar figure at the council meetings and degrees, as well as the affairs of the council. John is also a member of the Columbian Swim Club, and has worked with the various committees of the Club during the summer months.

John and his wife reside with their two children Paula and John Jr. at 1759 Colgate Place in Union. When not too busy around the council, John works with the Post Office Department, in Orange.

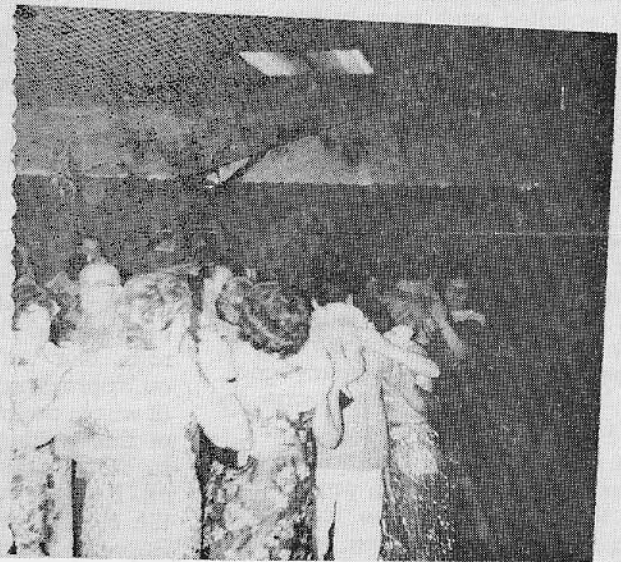
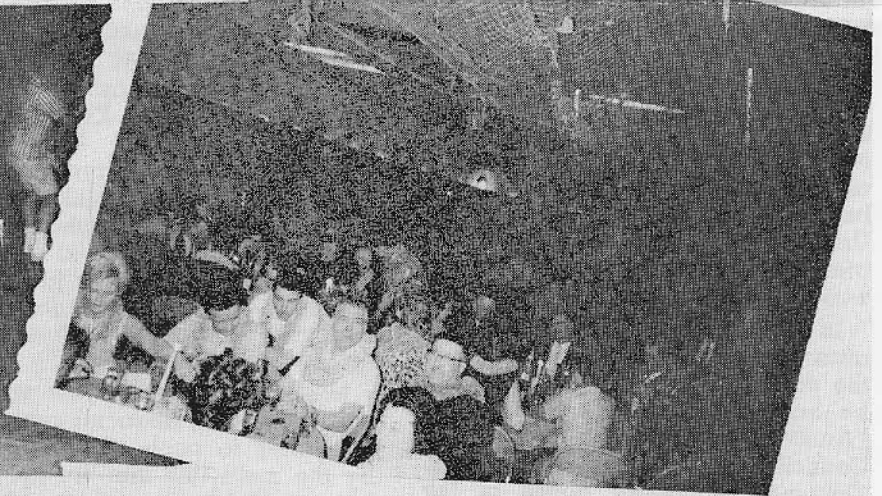
Congratulations John Fleno . . . Knight of the Month for March.

Knights of the Month

Joe Noel	September
Gene Zelazny	October
Matt Rinaldo	November
Pat Gethins	December
Ernie DeLuca	January
Harvey Lewis	February
John Fleno	March

dues, your decision is an easy one and requires only a yes or no answer — do you want to remain a member of the Knights of Columbus? He who hesitates is lost — don't let your decision be made for you — contact the Financial Secretary NOW.

HAWAIIAN NITE - FEB. 27th



HAWAIIAN NITE

On Saturday February 27th, the council activities committee once again outdid themselves, and came up with another highly successful and enjoyable evening. - - - this time Hawaiian style.

The decorations in the council chamber were complete in every detail, palm trees along the outside walls, monkeys and bananas decorating them, while from the entire length of the ceiling a huge fish net was draped filled with various underwater creatures. With the decor

setting the mood of the evening, and the informal grass skirts worn by the ladies, the atmosphere was one of complete relaxation and enjoyment.

Congratulations to Bob Armstrong and the members of his committee who worked so hard to make this night the success that it was.

COUNCIL PERSONALITIES

Our Council Personality this month is a well known figure around the council, usually identified by his jovial smile and hardy laugh. We refer, of course, to Jack Robbins, who with little reservation, can be called "Mr. Personality."



Jack Robbins

If you have attended any of the council affairs, in all probability you have seen Jack performing his unofficial duties of "maitre d'", making certain everyone is enjoying themselves.

Jack became a member of our council in 1960, and immediately began working as a bartender, a job which he still enjoys. Because of his skills behind the bar, and his familiarity with the many facets of this type of operation, he took on the added responsibility of Houseman for 2 years.

He is considered our expert mixologist, and is usually called upon to prepare the "gallons" of mixed drinks needed for the various affairs held in the council home. In 1964 he was appointed a Director of the Columbian Club for a period of 3 years, and is currently an active member of the Public Relations Committee. With the opening of our Swim Club last year he was called upon again for his talents, and is presently activities director of the club.

Jack and his wife—the former Mary Devine of Newark—have been married for some 22 years, and have 5 children. The oldest, Helen, is a sophomore at Rutgers School of Pharmacy; Mary Joan, a senior at Union High School; Virginia, who is attending Archbishop Walsh High School; John C., attending St. Michael's in Union; and Christine, 4 years old, who keeps Mary busy at home.

Jack has been employed by the Westinghouse Corp. for the past 28 years, presently in the Order Service Department. For several years now, he has also worked in some of the

better supper clubs in the area, and is currently at the Westwood in West Orange. His abilities as a mixologist and maitre 'd have not come about by chance, but rather through his association with professionals in these fields over the years.

The Cardinal's Nest

On Sunday February 28th, the First and Third New Jersey Districts held the annual exemplification of the Fourth Degree for 310 candidates at the Robert Treat Hotel in Newark.

Over 1800 people attended the dinner-dance following the exemplification. Among the honored guests and dignitaries attending were the Most Rev. Martin W. Stanton, S.T.D., Ph.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, and the Honorable Richard Hughes Governor of New Jersey. The degree was held in honor of Joseph F. O'Leary former Master of the First New Jersey District.

Union Council was well represented, having 14 candidates participate in the exemplification. In alphabetical order our new Fourth Degree members are Sir Knights, Walter Adamczyk, Salvatore Barone, Roger Boetsch, Joseph Cantalupo, Thomas Crimmins, John Dzuna, James Gardner, Harvey Lewis, John Mageean, Ralph Mercurio, John Mirynowski, James Moran, Andrew Popp, and William Zurich.

YOUTH BOWLING

The Youth Bowling season which began on September 12th concluded its schedule of 26 weeks at the Four Seasons Lanes on Saturday March 20th. Later that afternoon, the top five boys and girls competed in a Junior League Tournament, at the Lanes.

As has been the practice in the past, a bowling banquet has been arranged for the youthful bowlers to be held at the Council home on Sunday, April 25th, at 4:00 P.M. Plans for the banquet are being handled by Youth Bowling Chairman Harold Cortese. The Bowling awards will be presented at this time.

As Youth Activities Chairman I would like to take this opportunity to express my personal thanks to Harold Cortese and his committeemen, Joe Leahy and Don Spriet, for their efforts in making the bowling season the success that it was this past year. The job is one that requires a great deal of time and effort, and must be done each and every week of the season.

My thanks also to the children who participated in this activity, and cooperated with the committee in every way to make this program a success.

KNIGHTLY EVENTS

We have received quite a few favorable comments regarding this column, and the "scuttlebutt" is slowly beginning to get to us. But it may not reach us in time for the current issue, so why not take advantage of the various ways in which to contact us; 1) by leaving a note in the Digest envelope on the bulletin board; 2) write to Dennis Leary, 1263 Coolidge Ave., Union; or call Dennis at MU 6-4141.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

Mr. & Mrs. Ed Majeski, 20th wedding anniversary Feb. 27
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Wasowski,
20th wedding anniversary
March 11

CONGRATULATIONS:

Ed Pawlowski, recently honored by his co-workers at Ballentines for 25 years service.

Bob Holler, recently had occasion to shake hands with President Johnson in Washington.

Howard Leary, recipient of the Citizenship Award of the Council at his recent testimonial dinner.

Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Sikora, on the addition to their family—a boy—Robert John—7 lbs. 10 ozs., born Feb. 21st. Everyone doing fine.

SPRING TRAINING

This month our softball champions plan to begin limbering up (if they can) for the rough season ahead, and rough it may be. Team Captain Jerry Petrucci tells us the league is expanded this year, and some of the competition has been beefed up, to prevent Union Council from taking the league championship three years in a row.

Jerry says there has to be a first time for everything, and when it comes to trophies, Union Council is usually on top.

Consideration will be given anyone interested in playing for the council. We do not have a set team from year to year. All those interested in playing are asked to contact Jerry Petrucci at 352-2409; or Ted Kocal at MU 6-2138. New talent is badly needed; don't let us down in our quest for the championship.

Council Highlights

★ Union Council received membership honor roll certificate at February 22 meeting.

★ Swim Club presented Columbian Club President John Picyk with a check in the amount of \$1,200.00, for rental on the pool for the 1964 season.

★ Election of Columbian Club officers to be held Monday, April 26th.

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