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Wanted - Practical Catholics

All men who are practical Catholics are wanted to attend Father Driscoll's series of discussions on religion. The source of our strength as members of the true church is knowledge. Our purpose on this earth is to know God, love Him, serve Him. The first requirement is to know Him. You are not a good Catholic when you fail to take advantage of knowledge about God and His Church when it is offered. If the company you worked for discovered you had no interest in the product they were selling, you certainly could not be a good employee. High minded words are useless if not followed by deeds. At an era of the country's history when the Government has moved religion into the background of public life, we can't afford to be lukewarm members of the Mystical Body. Most of the brothers are absent from these meetings because they take the attitude, sorry, I'm too busy. But if you wanted something, you wouldn't be too busy to petition God for it. Inactivity in Catholic affairs proves you don't practice what you preach. If you don't feel you should attend this series, then the ideals of our order are just words and your membership an empty gesture. This series is open to the public. Bring your wife, a friend, future candidate or anyone else. It's held every second and fourth Wednesday, 9 to 10 P.M. in the council's small meeting room.

Grand Ball 1964

On Saturday evening, April 11, 1964, Union Council will hold its annual "Ball" at the Concl Home. A cocktail hour has been planned, followed by a dinner.

Music will be provided for dancing by Buddy Dee and his orchestra. Those in attendance at our anniversary dance in September will remember the fine music they provided that night.

The dance will be held in honor of Sir Knight Luke E. Hart, K.C.C. S.G. Supreme Knight, who recently passed away.

Columbian Club

The Nominating Committee has met and unanimously nominated the following: President, John Picyk, 1st Vice President, Bernard Raymond, 2nd Vice President, Franklin Zusi, 3rd Vice President, Henry Chemidlin, Recording Secretary, Charles Howes, Corresponding Secretary, James Gardner, Treasurer, Dominic Crincoli, Asst. Treasurer, Anthony Shans. Members of the Board of Directors for three years each, Herbert Kleniewski, John Robbins, Harvey Lewis, John Mageean. Nominations will be opened at the regular Annual Meeting of the Columbian Club on April 23. Members will then be able to nominate anyone of their choosing. Also at this meeting amendment of the by-laws of the Columbian Club will be voted on.

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

As each month goes by we try to select as Knight of the Month not only someone who has done something outstanding for that month, but someone who consistently gives of his time and efforts in various activities. Such a knight is our nominee for this month, Jim Looby.

Jim can usually be seen participating in the Catholic Activity functions. You will also remember seeing him in the role of the croupier at Monte Carlo night, or "drumming" up enthusiasm at the Lounge on Friday nights. He also serves faithfully as a captain of the telephone committee. As further proof of his varied talents, one can attest to his artistic ability by simply recalling the eerie scenes that decorated the walls of the Columbian Club for the Halloween dance.

Need we go on? Surely you'll agree with this month's choice of a conscientious and dependable Knight — Jim Looby.

Fourth Degree To 18 Union Members

Eighteen members of the Union Council inducted into the Fourth Degree recently. They were Robert E. Armstrong, William Bauer Jr., Henry E. Chemidlin, James R. Conroy, James J. Connell, John A. Fay, Joseph F. Haggerty Jr., Charles H. Howes, Francis Jurusik, Anthony B. Shans, Thaddeus F. Kocal, John F. McCarthy, Clifford H. Morris, Edward J. Pawlowski, Albert P. Petracca, John J. Picyk, Frank M. Pitt and Michael J. Reilly. The exemplification was held at the Robert Treat Hotel, Newark, on February 23. This was the largest group of candidates attending the banquet following the degree.

Tercentenary

The New Jersey Tercentenary Committee of Union will hold a Tercentenary Exhibit at Burnet Junior High School, April 20 through April 24, 1964, from 7 to 9 P.M. Union Council 4504 will be a participant in this exhibit. We urge all brothers to visit the exhibit.

Aqua Knights Swim Club

Two major decisions on the swim club were made at the regular council meeting of March 9th. A resolution to build the pool was passed and approval was given to open the swim club to members of neighboring councils.

Swim club registrants who have not paid their \$250 membership bond should make their checks payable to the "Aqua Knights Swim Club" and mail to Herbert Kleniewski, c/o Kay's Paint and Hardware, 1344 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, N. J.

An active priority list of registrants is being maintained.

Remit with \$2 payable to: Columbian Club
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CALENDAR

APRIL 6 — MONDAY

Second Degree

7:00 P.M. — Council Home

APRIL 8 — WEDNESDAY

Lectures by Father Driscoll

9:00 P.M. — Council Home

APRIL 11 — SATURDAY

Grand Ball

7:00 P.M. — Council Home

APRIL 13 — MONDAY

Regular Council Meeting

Chaplain's Night

8:15 P.M. — Council Home

APRIL 19 — SUNDAY

Holy Spirit Communion

Breakfast

9:00 A.M. Mass

Breakfast at Council Home

APRIL 22 — WEDNESDAY

Lectures by Father Driscoll

9:00 P.C. — Council Home

APRIL 23 — THURSDAY

Columbian Club Elections

8:30 P.M. — Council Home

APRIL 24 — FRIDAY

Third Degree

7:00 P.M. — Council Home

APRIL 26 — SUNDAY

Family Corporate

Communion

8:05 Mass —

St. Michael's Church

Family Life Conference

2:00 P.M. — Council Home

APRIL 27 — MONDAY

Regular Council Meeting

8:15 P.M. — Council Home

Attention Fathers

Along with the rewarding experience of bringing up a family and seeing the children become worthwhile citizens of their community there are many responsibilities. Most parents realize this to be true. Paramount on the list of duties is to guard the spiritual life of your youngster. Time and effort by teachers and parents are spent on religious education to fulfill this task. Yet there is one gesture you can perform that will lead your children into the category of strong Catholic men and women. That is by having the entire family receive Holy Communion together. With a little planning on your part, this family effort of togetherness under God can have wonderful results. Due to the busy, fast lives we lead at work, school and other activities, setting aside an hour or so for a Corporate Communion is the only time some families are united in one project. The influence this type of reception of the Eucharist has on your youngsters is very deep. They may not comment on it, because it's one of those things a child feels, but can't express in words. The habit of frequent receiving, developed during their formative years, will stay with them as they become adults. There is no job so simple in its execution and more powerful in its impact than YOUR family having Christ within them often. Let God be the backbone of your life as a group, so when the children leave home and create their own families, they'll spread our faith and the fine example you have shown. Begin their habit on April 26 by attending the council's Family Corporate Communion at the 8:05 Mass, St. Michael's Church. Rolls, buns and coffee will be served at the council after Mass.

Family Life Conference

On Sunday, April 26, at 2 P.M. we will have a Family Life Meeting for all married couples. Whether you have ever attended one or more of this type of gathering, or none at all, you are welcome. It is open to all interested couples. The subject will be "Vocations, Sex and Status in Life". This is a new topic never covered in Union Council before. It is VERY IMPORTANT to call one of these brothers if you plan to attend, Jack Bendokas, MU 6-6064, or Bill Suckow, MU 8-2111. Refreshments will be served.



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

We have been asked by Pope Paul (the sixth) VI to "honor the vocation of a mature laity."

"Together with the clergy," Pope Paul says, "They (the laity) are to bear the cross of Christ in the midst of society" — "Laymen, come to the aid of the work of the Church. Come with your knowledge of the social needs that surround us and with the ability to discover new ways of spreading the message of Christ. We must work today, today because this is the law of the conscience of the Christian."

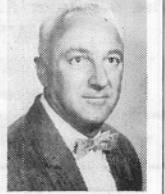
The drama of conflict between Catholic social principles and the prevailing social practices has been largely ignored except where the problems have directly and immediately affected the persons involved, or where deliberate, persevering guidance has been given by priests and other leaders. It is as though the majority of Catholics have chosen to achieve their salvation by surviving the world's temptations rather than by cooperating in making the world Christian for Christ and through His Grace. The wonder of the numbers at Mass and Communion ends at the altar rail or in the souls of individuals; it is not translated into the spiritual strength required to Christianize the world and its social institutions.

Pius XII once said "Everything by the Laity; Nothing without the Priest." Then he continues. "Today more than ever laymen must cooperate in all forms of the apostolate, especially by making the Christian spirit penetrate all family, social, economic and political life."

Brother Knights who have had the benefit of formal study of the Church's social principles should take active leadership in the committees of the council so that the officers would have their assistance in the development of a broad program of enlightenment for all the members.

You are singularly blessed in your council with personnel equal to a courageous program. In your meditating on the work of the risen Christ at this time, be convinced of the victory of Christ over death and evil. Take the challenge to have his principles direct your lives.

Grand Knight's Message



In the March issue of our Knight's Digest, we discussed at some length the large number of delinquent members brought to our attention by our quarterly audit. We also stressed at that time the fact that our conservation committee under the supervision of Ed Stonack had made repeated efforts to persuade our delinquent brothers to pay their dues. During the past month there has been no noticeable reduction in the list indicating a general apathy on the part of these brothers.

The thought occurs to us that perhaps despite the wide spread activity of Union council, which offers a highly diversified program, a program second to none in the state, we have not been able to generate a spark of interest in a certain portion of our membership. This leads us to one of two conclusions. Either our program is not as varied as it should be, or the brothers in question for reasons of their own cannot or will not, regardless of the incentive offered, participate in the affairs of our council. In the case of the former, it would seem advisable for the brother to attend our meetings, become an active participant on the committee of his choice and work to bring his ideas and pet projects into being. The many opportunities open to a Knight of Columbus present a formidable challenge. Even if it is impossible to act upon an idea, talking about it might create an interest in someone who can act. Thus for this alternative there is a solution. As for the apathy of the brother towards the Knights of Columbus there seems no clear or positive answer, although given an opportunity we will try. It thus becomes incumbent upon those of us who are aware of a delinquent brother to make a last ditch effort to save a brother from expulsion.

In any case, it would seem the better course of action for a disinterested brother to pay his dues and obtain an honorary withdrawal card rather than suffer the infamy of expulsion. This is a stigma we have hesitated to place on anyone, but we can no longer endure the luxury of paying per capita tax on nonpaying brothers out of the dues of those in good standing, unless he is ill or in distress. This may be construed as a final notice to those long standing delinquents.

Bowling News

The top three bowlers in the Tuesday night House League are Rich Bachevski, 182; Matt Simon, 18; and Rich Graybush, 178. Richie Graybush made the big push when he rolled a 269 game and a 647 series on February 25. This is a new high game for the year and ties Richie with Matt Simon for high game.

There are seven more weeks to go. The season ends on April 28 and the banquet is to be held on Saturday night, May 9, at the Council Home.

The Wednesday night "A" Squad is tied for 7th place with seven weeks to go. The Wednesday night "B" Squad at Four Seasons is in 2nd place.

Next month we'll give you the winners of the Easter Roll off.

Membership

Union Council inducted 23 new members at a First Degree held last month. They were Martin P. Sulovski, Wilbur J. Moyer, Harold B. Karlson, Albert Salk, James M. Caulfield, Carl L. Stampfl, Anthony J. Zara, Joseph J. Matyas, Joseph P. Deo, Frank Ferro, R. Kortenhouse, also Joseph P. Corallo, William J. Chesley, Leonard Lorio, Donald R. Cron, John Vella, Leo A. Heffers, William B. Vesey, Vincent E. Iannuzzi, Weazle Maurer, Joseph M. Schretter, Dr. R. O. Wadle, and John W. Stonack.

By-Laws

At our April 13 meeting, we will have the first reading of some amendments to our by-laws. The vote will be taken at our April 27 meeting.

Safe Driving Corner

John Foley

"Road service in itself is indispensable to everyone, but the average driver is not fully conscious of its value. This is not really a fault, but something quite natural." The above statement was made by the chief of a medical psychological laboratory.

Whatever we do, work or play, we strive for safety, but the full use of those safe guards are not brought into play until danger threatens us. When driving, would it not be better to take nothing for granted and be always alert for the unexpected? A seemingly deserted street with a few parked cars is no guarantee that there are no children playing behind those cars. A driver who is a tense bundle of nerves is no pleasure to his passengers. Give me a driver who is alert, keeps his attention and eyes to the road and obeys the traffic rules.

Did You Know

April 13 is German night?

Ask Yourself

What kind of a K of C would this be if all members were like me?

Chaplain's Night

We have selected April 13, 1964, as the night to honor our spiritual leader, our Worth Chaplain Father Joseph Driscoll. We would like to take this opportunity to invite all the brothers to join us at this meeting to honor this fine and devoted priest, Father Driscoll. Reserve the date NOW.



Communion Breakfast Chairman, Ernest DeLuca is flanked by Bill Taylor, G.K., John Zimmerman, toastmaster, Father Driscoll, Chaplain, and guest speaker, Rev. Owen Garrigan.

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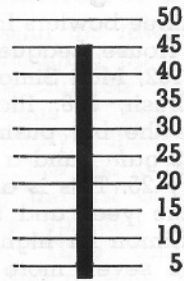
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