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## K of C Summer Events

Every Sunday afternoon at three —  
Kiddie's Movies.

July 1 ..... Dancing — Food

July 8 ..... Patio Party,

Fish & Chips, Dancing

July 15 ..... Pizza Night, Dancing

July 22 ..... Racetrack Day

July 23 ..... Teen Dance

7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

July 29 ..... Splash Party 8:00-9:00

Southern Fried Chicken,

Dancing

Aug. 5 ..... Bus Ride to Jones Beach

Aug. 12 ..... Splash Party 8:00-9:00,

Movie Night, Meat Balls

Aug. 13 ..... Bocci Tournament

Aug. 19 ..... Pinochle Tournament

Aug. 20 ..... Watermelon Day

Aug. 26 ..... Dance-Council Home

Beer-Bufferet

Aug. 27 ..... Corn-on-the-Cob Day

Sept. 2 ..... Splash Party 8:00-9:00,

Volleyball Games,

Dancing, Food

Sept. 9 ..... Council Picnic —

12 to 6 p.m.

Sept. 10 .... Rain Date — 12 to 6 p.m.

## Howard Leary

### Testimonial Dinner Dance

Union Council No. 4504 will sponsor a Testimonial Dinner Dance on Saturday evening, July 15, 1972 to honor our own Howard R. Leary on his retirement as Tax Collector of Union Township and in recognition of his many achievements as Charter Grand Knight of our Council (1957-1959), as well as his many years of devoted service to the welfare of the Township.

The festivities will be held at the Council Hall starting with cocktails and unlimited hors d'oeuvres at 7:30 p.m. and a full course Top Sirloin dinner at 9:00 p.m. An excellent band has been engaged to provide enjoyable music for your dancing pleasure and refreshments will be available throughout the evening until 1:00 a.m. Tickets for this memorable affair will be priced at \$20.00 per couple and reservations can be made for tables of ten by calling any of the committee members listed below:

Herb Kay — 688-6292.

John Foley — 686-6188 (Home), 688-2800 (Office).

Barney Capriglione — Fountain Realty Co. 687-1566.

Brother Council Members are to be reminded that this is strictly a Council function and we urge that a great response for reservations is received to honor a grand person and Brother Knight and wish him good fortune and happiness on his retirement to Florida.



Father Edward Swierzbinski, Union Council's new Chaplain, opened up this year's pool season with a Mass at poolside on May 27th.

## Last Chance

**What?** Awards Dinner Night honoring the workers' and officers' for the past year.

**Where?** Council Home Jeanette Ave.

**When?** June 26, 1972.

**What do you get?** A full course meal, beer and then some.

**Donation?** A mere \$2.00. So come one come all.

**For tickets?** See Joe Bilicska or at the Club Lounge.

Remember this is your Council and your people. Help them to have an enjoyable evening and you'll enjoy yourself.

## After the Play

It was good news that our musical show, "A Knight Down South", was a financial success. Even more important, was the spirit put behind the project shown by the people who accomplished the end results. Our members proved the principles for which the Knights of Columbus stand, can be living workable parts of our organization. We forefilled the first principle of charity, by putting on the show for our charitable fund. Our bond of fraternity caused us to work as brothers to reach our goal. Unity was in full force as Knights, their wives and families, united with time and effort for the show. We had the usual group who sat back and watched, some afraid to join because the project might fail. Yet due to the lack of help from this type of member, it could have failed. Many of those who assisted were the ones who can always be depended upon to help. More should join this element, and enjoy the satisfaction of being a contributing brother. You get so much more back in the feeling of accomplishment than what you give. Success or failure is never as important as trying. Failure to try is worse than failing. Everyone who can possibly do so should lend a hand on our future programs. All our Council endeavors are limited only by the response of men to carry out the needed work. Each individual (that's

## Random Thoughts

Hear about the lad who got 18 runs-batted-in with one hit? He hit the ball through a plate glass window, and 18 boys ran home . . . Advice to home gardeners: plant alphabetically, alyssum in the first row, begonias in the second and so forth. That puts weeds way in the back . . . The American Way: condemning an X-rated movie; attending it to see if its as shocking as advertised; complaining because the most scandalous parts have been cut . . . Sunshine is delicious, rain is refreshing, wind braces up, snow is exhilarating, there is no such thing as bad weather, only different kinds of good weather . . . A gold-digger is a woman who thinks its the little things in life that counts: diamonds and pearls for instance . . . Marriage is like a violin, after the beautiful music is over, the strings are still attached . . . The man who can smile when things go wrong has probably just thought of somebody he can blame it on . . . Remember when the family's meals were carefully thought out instead of thawed out? . . . If you don't think a girl is dynamite, try dropping one . . . I'm looking forward to meeting the new people in the house on the corner. The only furniture they moved in was two sleeping bags and a guitar case . . . Want to save time? Stop wasting it in thinking you could do the other fellows job better than he can. Use it to do your own job better . . . When we are young we try to hide our poverty. When we grow older we brag about it . . . When a child pays attention to his parents, they're probably whispering . . . Patience is something you admire in the driver behind you but not in the one ahead . . . A four year old heard his baby brother begin to cry. He ran to the crib put the pacifier in the baby's mouth, then told his mother "He's all right now, mom. I've got him plugged in" . . . People who are compulsively on time seem to marry people who are chronically late. Its hard to figure out how they ever arrived at the altar together . . . Its fortunate that we have freedom of speech, but its unfortunate that the supply usually exceeds the demand . . . A congressman says that the new under 21 voters make campaigning a scary experience "The frightening thing is that they actually listen to you" . . . The middle ager go to waist, so watch your girth-control . . . If you are to understand others, and have them understand you, know the big words, but use the small ones . . . To err is human. To blame it on the other guy is even more human.

Jim Moran

you) makes the group work load lighter. Try it, you'll like it.

I would like to thank all Brother Knights who helped with the operation of the Columbian Club this past year.

Your assistance was greatly appreciated. Without this assistance our club could not continue to function.

Eugene LeCompte  
President of Columbian Club

## What's A Flag?

What's the love of country for which it stands? It begins with love of the land itself. It is the fog rolling in with the tide at Eastport. It is the sun coming up behind the White Mountains. The Mississippi rolling swift and muddy past St. Louis. It is lazy moontide in the pines of Carolina, the sea of wheat in Western Kansas, and the San Francisco peaks far north across the nakedness of Arizona.

It is men at work. The farmer riding his great machine in the dust of harvest, the linemen mending the broken wire, the servants of fire in Pittsburgh, trucks rumbling through the night, the pilot in the clouds, the riveter running along the beam a hundred feet in the air. It is the clerk in the office, the housewife doing the dishes and sending the children off to school. It is the teacher, doctor and religious tending and helping, body and soul, for small reward.

It is small things remembered, the little corners of the land, the houses, the people that each one loves. It is voices that are remembered only, no longer heard. It is parents, friends, the lazy chat of street, store and office, and the ease of mind that makes life tranquil.

It is stories told. It is the Pilgrims dying in their first dreadful winter. It is Minutemen standing their ground at Concord Bridge, and dying there. It is the wagons and the men on foot going westward. Its Lee riding home from Appomattox. It is corruption and disgrace, answered always by men who would not let the flag lie in the dust, who have stood up in every generation to fight for the old ideals and the old nights, at risk of ruin or of life itself.

It is a great multitude of people on pilgrimage, common people, charged with the usual human failings, yet filled with such a hope as never caught the imaginations and the hearts of any nation on earth before. The hope of liberty. The hope of justice. The land, the people and the flag — the land a continent, the people of every race, the flag a symbol of what humanity may aspire to when the wars are over and the barriers are down. To these each generation must be dedicated and consecrated anew, to defend with life itself, if need be, but, above all, in friendliness, in hope and courage.

This is the meaning of the flag today. But it is a measure of the bitter divisions of the era in which we live that the symbolism of that flag should have become distorted and degraded by the partisan extremists of both New Left and Old Right. The flag must not be captured by either side. The flag is a symbol of the unity of America. We must not allow it to be perverted by the forces of disunity, that are abroad in this land today.

Except for the last paragraph of this article, the words you have just read, were taken from the New York Times from an editorial written on Flag Day 1940!!

Jim Moran

## "The Last Look"

A few more days and Council #4504, Union Knights of Columbus, will bid adeau to another prosperous year both financially and membership wise. Profits of friendships and experiences that may last a lifetime and never be duplicated can be counted in this past year.

At this time I would like to grasp this space and thank all who have helped me. Without them, this would have been a letter of woes. In the past I tried to thank them at the time. If by chance I forgot anyone please forgive and let me know. I can also err and I never claimed to be perfect.

The latest affair we had was Nuns and Widows night, which was May 12 on a Friday night. They were treated to a full course meal with refreshments and transported to Millburn Playhouse to see "Fiddler on the Roof". A great night was had by the nuns, widows, priest and accompanying officers.

The ones responsible for this complete night were **very** few in number. Jack Bruno did the cooking, Tim Hayden prepared the vegetables and fruit salad. Jim Ford and Tim Hayden set up the hall. Bob Koslowski and Artie Reimer served the tables. Jack Bruno, Rocco Corbo, Lenny Maglino and Jim Ford assisting. Tim Hayden made mixed drinks soft and hard. **Special** thanks go to our two (2) pearl divers that cleaned the kitchen. They were Roy Trupiano and Henry Toby.

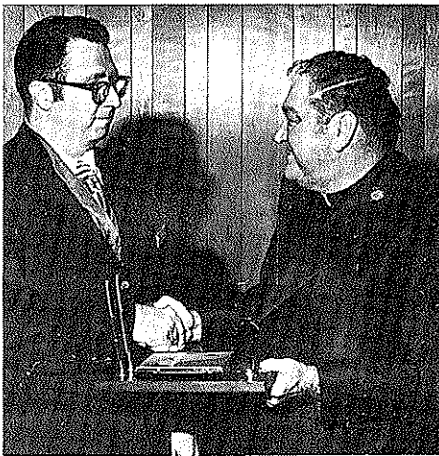
All the above are familiar names. No new ones, no old ones. Just the ones that are always there.

For those who may have missed this **no ticket** work party they may help out in our next and final affair. Awards Night Dinner, Monday, June 26. A meal with the trimmings. beer plus something else for a small donation of \$2.00. Tickets are available from Joseph Bilicska or at the Club Lounge.

Hope to see all of you there. Come one, come all. This is your time to ring out the old and welcome the new.

Yours in Christ  
Fraternal Chairman  
Joseph Bilicska

## Mariners Award



Grand Knight Dominick Clementoni presented to the Rev. William Staton pastor of St. Lukes Episcopal Church our Annual Mariners Award for his devotion and dedication in the "We Care" program in Union.



My Brother Knights:

This message is perhaps the most difficult one to write. It is hard to express in words my feelings and the deep gratitude to all who have made this a memorable year for Union Council 4504. The honor of being able to serve as Grand Knight is one that I shall always remember.

My thanks to D.D. Ed Schueler for his assistance and cooperation throughout the Council year.

To the P.G.K.s of Union Council who are always there when called upon for advice and assistance — Thank You.

To the Council Officers, the Council Directors, Chairmen and their Committees, to the Columbian Club Officers, and Directors and the Swim Club Officers and Directors, a heartfelt Thank You, for a job well done. But most of all a Thank You to the general membership for your cooperation, support and confidence.

Soon we begin a new Council year and I would ask for your continued support to the new incoming officers. Attend the Council meetings, support our many activities. Help keep Union Council 4504, second to none.

I would like to close this article by thanking three persons who are most dear to me, my wife Lorraine, son John Brian and daughter Mary Margaret, for without their love, cooperation and understanding I would not have been able to carry out the duties of Grand Knight to the best of my ability.

Fraternally yours,  
DOM CLEMENTONI

## Atlantic City Convention

Union Council was once again well represented at the 76th Knights of Columbus Convention in Atlantic City.

A delegation of 60 strong set out under sunny skies May 25th week-end.

Headquarters for Union Council was once again the Four Seasons Motel. With the fine facilities of the motel coupled with banner weather it appeared that all who attended enjoyed themselves.

The committee wishes to thank all who attended and rollicked in the festivities and all who so willingly gave their help and assistance in both transporting the condiments and offered their help in the Hospitality Room.

A special Thank You to my Co-Chairman Barney Capriglione and his charming wife Myrtle.

**HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL IN ATTENDANCE NEXT YEAR FOR ANOTHER FINE CONVENTION.**

Convention chairman  
John Winters