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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Union Council # 4504 Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization dedicated to the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and and patriotism, and

WHEREAS, our Brother Knight, Barney M. Capriglione, P.G.K., has been selected as the Unico Man of the Year by the Union Chapter of Unico National, in recognition of his charitable and community works, and

WHEREAS, this great honor which has been bestowed upon our Brother Knight for his good works also reflects on him as an exemplary Catholic and the Council in general;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the officers and members of Union Council # 4504 express their congratulations and best wishes to our Brother Knight for being selected Unico Man of the Year, 1987.

Fraternally,

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Thomas J. McGarvey, Grand Knight Union Council # 4504

CONVENTION

There are only ten (10) rooms left for this year's convention in Wildwood, N. J. on May 15, 16 and 17, 1987. Contact Paul Sandy at 688-2453 or at the January 12th Council meeting. Deadline for all room deposits is January 15, 1987.

IS YOUR MAILING LABEL CORRECT?

The Council has changed over to computerized mailing labels. If any of the information on the label affixed to this Digest is incorrect, please notify PGK Frank Dickerson, Financial Secretary, at 687-4353

BUS TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C. MARCH FOR LIFE

Join our Chaplain Rev. Robert Fuhrman and Council members, family and friends as we join together on January 22, 1987 to support the "MARCH FOR LIFE" movement and at the same time protest the abominable Supreme Court Decision on abortion which legalizes this crime against human life. The bus will leave the Council home at 7:00am on January 22, 1987 for Washington, D.C., where we'll join in a rally at the ellipse at noon and march past the Capital offices starting at 1:00pm. To reserve a seat, please call Paul Wisiak at 686-7290.

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

As we close out 1986, I extend my sincere thanks to all my Brother Knights for the hard work and dedication they've given so freely to keep all facets of our council not only functioning but making continual progress as well. I also thank the families and friends who support their efforts and are just as much responsible for any success this council enjoys. I wish you all a very "Healthy and Happy New Year".

There is one person, however, who I would like to single out who deserves to be recognized this month for his dedicated service not only to Union Council 4504 but also to his community.

On January 18, 1986, PGK Barney Capriglione is being honored at our Council Hall as UNICO's "Man Of The Year". This is an honor which is bestowed on only the very special. As my predecessors can attest to, Barney is always available to help out the Grand Knight and Officers in whatever needs to be done.

Over the years he has taken many hours away from his business to perform Knights of Columbus work and asks for nothing in return. Please join me in honoring PGK Barney Capriglione on this proud moment in his life. For reservations call PGK Tom Hornig at 688-5867.

This month is also a most memorable one but for all the wrong reasons. This marks the 14th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision which legalizes abortion on demand. Unfortunately, abortion is treated in the news as nonchalantly as the weather or sports. We, as Knights of Columbus, can join to change that.

The Council is sponsoring a bus trip to Washington D.C. to support the "March For Life" effort. Refreshments will be provided and there is no charge for the trip. Call Paul Wisiak at 686-7290 to reserve a seat.

Your family and your job come first and I realize that for many it is not possible to take this day off. For those who can, I ask that you consider joining us just once. I'm sure you will return on January 22, 1987, with a great sense of pride as a Catholic and a Knight that we have not forgotten those who cannot speak for themselves.

If you cannot attend, please pray on that day that our voices and the silent voices of the unborn be heard by those who have the power to change what should never have been.

Thomas J. Mc Garvey Grand Knight

TAX REFORM ACT DISCUSSION

On January 12, 1987, after the regularly scheduled Council meeting, a talk will be given on the 1986 Tax Reform Acton by the CPA firm of Strauss, D'Angerio and Grainick of Union. Everyone should be interested in the subject matter since it will effect everyone's tax status. The evening was arranged by our Council Insurance representative Harold Maus, F.T.C. Don't miss this informative and knowledgeable talk.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

OUR SELF IMAGE

God's blessings to all at the beginning of 1987! I wish you health, peace, and faith. May this year be another great success for Union Council. Perhaps this is a good time to ask ourselves some personal questions.

To be a disciple of Jesus Christ is not easy. It requires our willingness to live in a particular way, to try to develop certain Christ-like ways of thinking, and to never be satisfied that we have "made it" as followers of the Lord. There should always be a certain desire to improve ourselves before God, since everyone who reviews his or her life sees room for that improvement.

So, what is our self-image? How do we see ourselves? Are we good or bad, saints or sinners? Of course, those are questions which we must all struggle with, but isn't it true that it is easy to get discouraged or depressed in our hectic world? I think there are many influences, some more obvious than others, that tell us we are cheap. Legalized abortion is the most blatant insult to every human. Pornography, poverty, mandatory retirement, and so much more, can contribute to a diminished sense of worth.

However, in God's eyes, we are worth saving. That is what Christmas means. Being human means being precious to God. The great enemies of humanity, sin and death, are destroyed by the child of Bethlehem.

So let's keep the Christmas peace deep in our hearts. Jesus came to us because in God's eyes we are worth it. Now we must stay close to the Lord and be ever grateful.

Rev. Robert J. Fuhrman Chaplain

CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

- 5 Council Officers' meeting.
- 9 First Friday (7:30pm) Guest speaker, Mr. Peter Runfolo from "Make A Wish Foundation".
- 12 Council Meeting (8:00pm) Guest speaker on "Tax Reform Act" (after the meeting).
- 16 Swim Club Annual Meeting (8:00pm).
- 22 Annual trip for "March For Life" to Washington, D.C. (Bus leaves at 7:00am).
- 25 Super Bowl Sunday Big screen TV at Council Hall (see digest article).
- 26 Council Meeting (8:00pm).
- 29 Columbian Club Meeting (8:00pm).

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SPELLING BEE

Union Council's Annual "Spelling Bee" will be held on February 15, 1987 at 1:00pm at the Council hall on Jeanette Ave. The contest is open to all 8th grade students. Our Council winner will compete in the County competition with that winner going on to the state finals.

Please contact Don Pfarr at 851-0018 for more details and to sign up.

COLUMBIAN CLUB NEWS

NOTICE

Please be advised that the Columbian Club of Union Council 4504 is contemplating major expenses to renovate the Council Hall. The plans and associated vote to authorize the expenditure of \$18,000.00 will take place at the regular meeting of January 12, 1987.

Fraternally yours
Joseph Tortora
Columbian Club President

INSURANCE-UPDATE

We received the bad news last week. Our total insurance package for 1986 was \$15,000. For the same coverage in 1987 the premiums are \$29,000! The biggest increase was in the area of liquor liability. What cost \$6000 in 1986 now costs \$18,500!

We are asking our members to help us by writing or phoning our state representatives and ask them to closely review the liquor liability laws in our state and why there is only one carrier writing liquor liability insurance and at such high premiums.

Also, our members could help on a local level by helping to "POLICE" the bar areas and assist our bartenders from potential trouble when they refuse to serve patrons who have had too much.

SUMMER SNACK BAR

Any member or a friend of a member who is interested in putting in a bid for our newly-renovated summer snack bar, please call Tony Maffie at 687-2416.

SHIM CLUB NOTES

The Swim Club Nominating Committee has endorsed the names of Vincent Iannuzzi and Jack Killian for Directors of the Swim Club for a three year term. The election will be held at our Annual Meeting on Friday, January 16, 1987, at 8:00pm. Nominations from the floor will be honored for the position of Directors.

We are pleased to inform the membership that the Annual Dues will remain at \$80.00.

Again, remember the date of the meeting is Friday. January 16, 1987 at 8:00pm at the Council Hall.



SUPER BONL SUNDAY

DATE - January 25, 1987.

TIME - 5pm to game's end.

COST - Tickets are \$10 per person if purchased on or before January 21.

If available, tickets can be purchased after Jan. 21 for \$15.

TICKETS - call Mike Carr (354-3186) or John Peters (964-6869).

Spagetti & meatball dinner before game.

Hot dogs w/trimmings at halftime.

Large 7ft. TV Screen

Beer and soda.

VETERANS COMMITTEE

The Veterans Committee sent Christmas packages to the following Brother Knights, or their sons or daughters, who are presently serving in the Armed Forces of the United States at various domestic and overseas locations:

Lt. Commander Thomas J. Arminio Ensign Jan Bizzaro

CTO 2 Christopher Carr RM 3 Thomas Chafatelli Major Daniel French Captain Thomas Gwiazdowski

Sgt. John Hamilton Jr.
Lt. Robert J. Johnson
Lt. Commander William G. Kolster
Captain Kenneth Konicki

L/CPL Frank Santoro Commander Walter M. Wasowski Mike La Motta

Chairman

BLOOD DRIVE HELD

A special thanks to those who offered to give blood on November 15, 1986. Your gift, will surely bring you God's blessing. The following is a list of 36 donors of which 23 have already given and the remainder had to be postponed to a later date for various physical and medical reasons. If you would like to give at this time you can donate at Union Memorial Hospital on certain days of the week. Call the hospital for the exact date and credit your gift to Union Council account #4635. Thank you all.

John Boyle
Tom Clarke
Charlotte Dzuna
Mike Herrighty
Eileen Krynicki
PGK Henry Mey
Tim O' Shea
Don Pfarr
Henry Salerno

Matt Battiato
John B. Clementoni
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Bob Pfarr
Ed Rocco
Paul Wisiak

Jack Kelly Fraternal Activities Chairman

K OF C JACKETS

Anyone interested in purchasing a Knights of Columbus jacket can be fitted and place their order with Gorga Athletic on January 26, 1986 from 7:15pm to 8:15pm in the Council Home prior to the regularly scheduled Council meeting.

People are dying for your help.

Give blood.

FINAL KNIGHT CLUB DRAWING HINNERS

500 Points

PGK, DD, Jim Johnson

150 Points

Mr. Foster

50 Points

- G. Lanza
- A. Maffe
- S. Scarlotta
- R. Mc George

Club starts January 1, 1987. Check with your Captains.

SICK OR IN DISTRESS

If any Brother knows of a Brother Knight or member of his family who is sick or in distress, please contact me so the proper action can be taken by the council. I can be reached at 925-1539.

Jack Kelly Fraternal Activities Chairman

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

A Council scholarship is available to one student per year. The student must be the child, brother or sister of a member in good standing or a deceased member of Union Council.

The applicant must pass the Arch-diocesan high school entrance exam and be accepted by a Catholic high school.

Preference for the scholarship will be decided by the scholarship committee on the basis of need as well as scholastic ability.

If deemed necessary by the committee, an interview will be scheduled at which time the scholarship applicants must accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Please apply as soon as possible but no later than April 15, 1987. Applications will be made available at the Council Hall. For further information contact PGK Andy Popp, Chairman, at 688-6951.

All applications should be addressed to the Grand Knight and mailed to the Council home. The scholarship winner will be notified no later than June 1987.

ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL SERVICE CENTER

In a show of support for Holy Spirit Church's committment to helping the St. Joseph's soup kitchen in Elizabeth, the council presented a check for \$250 to Rev. William Crumb. This money, along with the food which is collected on a continual basis, will go to good use in feeding those who are not as fortunate as us.

All of the funds were donated at various council and degree meetings held during the month of November. A special thanks to those brother knights who contributed to this worthy cause.

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