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SWIM POOL OPENING, SATURDAY, MAY 29th POOL-SIDE MASS 1:00 P.M.

Swim Club

The pool will open for week-end use on May 29, 1976 with a pool-side mass at 1:00 p.m. celebrated by our Council Chaplain, Father Ed. It is the wish of Father Ed and Swim Club President, Jack Kilian, that each family be represented at the opening day mass. A papal blessing will be bestowed on all present. Come and pray with us for a healthy, happy, injury-free season.

The work parties began on Saturday, April 3 and will continue each Saturday morning from 8:30 a.m. until noon at which time refreshments will be served for one hour. You are then free to pursue other endeavors. Should you not complete all the tasks appointed by your warden, do not place the blame on the Swim Club. We only ask for your mornings. You charming and patient wives, please take note. When daylight saving time comes into effect, we will hold work parties on Wednesday evenings also starting at 6:00 p.m. until dark. Please support your swim club with some physical effort to help us put the pool and grounds in shape for the summer. This helps to keep dues low and helps you to become acquainted with your brothers. Try it, you'll like it.

Badges for the coming season will be ready for distribution at the Council meetings in May and at the work parties starting May 23. A paid up Council dues card is a necessity for those members who do not belong to Union Council, and it must be shown at the time of pick up. Union Council members must also have their dues paid through June 30 but need not show a dues card since the Financial Secretary provides the Swim Club with a list of delinquent members. Remember, if your dues card is not paid through June 30, 1976, you will not receive your Swim Club badges. There are no exceptions to this rule.

As of April 7, there were 20 new additions and 17 replacements on the Swim Club roster, so there will be many new faces around this summer. Help our new members to conform to the rules and regulations by gently pointing out infractions if necessary. Be kind and courteous to each other. The rules were made to protect our people from injury and to foster good health, cleanliness and to assure one and all a happy, care-free summer.

Any member of the Board of Directors will be happy to assist our members in any way possible, within reason. God bless all.

John Kilian,
President

Memorial Day Observance

Brothers, our Council will again participate in the forthcoming Memorial Day Observance.

The parade will be held on Monday, May 31, 1976, forming in the area of Morrison and Stuyvesant Ave. between the hour of 9 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. with kick off at 10 a.m. We will march to Honor Roll Park, Wewanna Ave. where our Grand Knight Andy Popp and DGK Jim Moran will place a wreath at the memorial.

This is the opportunity for every man in our Council to honor those who gave their lives for our country. Don't miss this chance to show your appreciation. See you on the thirty-first.

Bicentennial Notes

Each day of his eight years of the Presidency, and every day thereafter until his death, President Thomas Jefferson recited this prayer:

"Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage, we humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favor and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners.

Save us from violence, discord and confusion; from pride and arrogance and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitude brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues.

Endow with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth.

In times of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all of which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen."

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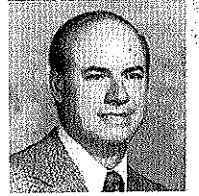
On May 24 at the second regular Council meeting the Columbian Club will hold its annual elections of officers and directors for the 1976-1977 term.

All Brothers are urged to attend this important meeting.

Pete Kozloski
Columbian Club President

Grand Knight's Message

Andrew Popp



Brothers,

May is a beautiful month and after the long winter we now can look around and enjoy the wonders of GOD.

This month of May is dedicated to Mary, Our Blessed Mother. At our council, we will celebrate with the May Crowning. This annual event will be on Sunday, May 2, 1976, at 2:00 p.m.

Our Grand Ball is scheduled for Saturday, May 1st. Cliff Morris promises this to be an evening to remember.

On May 31, Memorial Day, Union Council will participate in the Township Parade. Plan to be there with us.

Union Council has been the recipient of many blessings. One of our greatest, is having a dedicated and concerned Chaplain. Father Ed is an outstanding Priest, a man among men and one who truly exemplifies a Knight of Columbus. He has been an inspiration to the officers and members of Union Council and their families.

This month Father Ed celebrates his Twenty-fifth Anniversary as a Priest. Union Council will have a dance in his honor on Saturday, May 22, 1976. Tickets are now available. I hope all will make a special effort to attend and wish him well. For those who would like to extend their congratulations, cards may be addressed to:

Rev. Edward Swierzbinski
221 W. Market Street
Newark, N. J. 07103

The officers and I wish to express our gratitude to Julius Kiss and his Bowling Tournament Committee for the outstanding job they did for our Council. The brothers and ladies who worked, established a RAPPORT with our guests, that will be long remembered. Once again Union Council demonstrated the hospitality for which we are noted. Thanks for a job well done.

To the brothers and their families who found time on April 9 and 10 to solicit donations for the retarded, I am sure you will be rewarded a hundred-fold. This was truly a fine act of Charity.

See you on the boardwalk in Atlantic City!

Yours in Christ,
Andrew F. Popp
Grand Knight

May

The emblem of the order dates from the second Supreme Council meeting, May 12, 1883, when it was designed by James T. Mullen, who was then Supreme Knight.

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Calendar of Events

May 2 May Crowning
May 7 Chaplain's Night
(Husband, Wife & God)
May 22 Dance
(Fr. Ed's Honor)
May 29 Poolside Mass
June 4 Chaplain's Night
(Resurrection — Fact or Fiction)
June 20 Bicentennial Mass
June 28 Awards Dinner Meeting

MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. Council Officers
2nd & 4th Mon. Regular Council
3rd Mon. Swim Club
1st Wed. 4th Degree Officers
2nd Wed. 4th Degree Color Corps
3rd Wed. 4th Degree Regular
4th Wed. Council Committees
1st Thurs. Expansion Committee
4th Thurs. Columbian Club

Cardinal's Corner

The Annual Communion Breakfast of the J.F.K. General Assembly held on April 4 was very successful. Sister Doris Ann of Union Catholic Girl's High School was a very interesting speaker and our own Chaplain Msgr. Coyle provided many light moments. Toastmaster S.K. Robert Armstrong did an outstanding job as did our chef, S.K. Dominick Zezza. Many thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make this Breakfast a success and especially to all who attended.

There will be a Memorial Mass on Sunday, May 2, 1976 at 5:30 p.m. in St. Henry's Church, Avenue C, Bayonne, N. J.

Plans are being made for a benefit dance for Camp Neveda to be held on October 2 at St. Thomas the Apostle Hall. More details to follow.

Charles Kraemer

N. J. Right to Life Convention

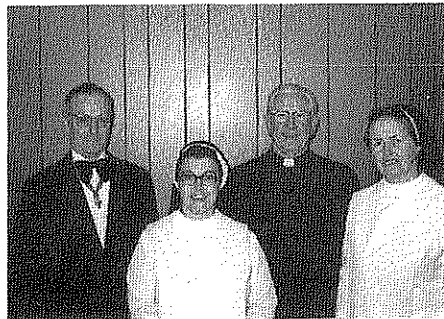
"The news media is missing out on reporting the most dynamic development in this century — perhaps the greatest movement this nation has ever known." So declared Dr. Mildred Jefferson, President of the National R.T.L. Committee in her speech before the N.J.R.T.L. convention.

The Right to Life Revolution of 1976 seeks to have Congress overturn the Supreme Court decision of 1973. That decision declared open season on the unborn — with about three million victims to date. This private license to kill can be extended to a grand Murder, Inc. style. Anybody who becomes a nuisance or a burden can be legally put away. An elderly parent can become a burden. An incurable sick person can become a nuisance etc. Let us become fully aware of the direction that this abominable law is leading us to. Let each and every one of us do everything in his power to remove this infamous law.

Anti-abortionists are flirting in the political arena. "Today we must decide what will be the modern 20th century. Answers to that historical question: Am I my brother's keeper?" So challenged Stephen J. Foley, Democratic pro life candidate for the U. S. Senate from N. J. Every citizen who is concerned with human rights which are being denied by this law must weed out the legislators who would deny us these fundamental rights. Senator Harrison Williams D. N. J. is concerned over butchery of dogs but not human babies. Sen. Clifford P. Case R. N. J. has been "studying" the issue for three years. How can there be such hatred and violence in our great nation that now sanctions the tearing a child from a mother's womb? What has unleashed such a change in our moral code?

As Knights whose religious and moral conduct is an example to be followed by all good people, must crusade to right the wrong that the abortion law has put on our great nation. Our votes on primary and election time can be a big step in the right direction. I strongly feel that we will succeed in our efforts to do away with that regressive law on abortion. Let us not relax.

Sal Massimino
R.T.L. Chairman



Shown at Communion Breakfast from left: S.K. Alfred Morse, Past Master of 1st N.J. District; Sister Jane of Union Catholic, Msgr. Coyle and Sister Doris Ann of Union Catholic, who was the guest speaker.

Memories

At the December 23, 1957 meeting, the Council officers were installed by District Deputy, Frank Jackiewicz, assisted by his son Frank Jackiewicz Jr. of Assumption Council.

The following transfers were read and accepted: Bernard J. Oakley, Donald J. Arner, Gregory R. Arner, Thomas Drogan, Joseph Milo, Stanley Nieber, Martin J. Reddington, James W. Murtha, John S. Latera and Steven J. Prebula.

D. D. Frank Jackiewicz reported that James Nollodares had been approved by the Supreme Council as Financial Secretary.

Second degree in honor of Rev. Father Ed was conferred on 66 members on January 13, 1958. P.G.K. Michael Mc Guire assisted by the officers of Father Conty Council, Hillside was the conferring team.

John Zimmerman reporting for Chairman Bill Darrow, noted the following members were selected for the Council Activities Committee. Tom Water, George Sheridan, Martin Reddington, Pete Rakowski, Bill Donnelly and himself.

Building Committee Chairman, Kolo-man Kiss garnered the services of Warren Hehl, Lou Giacona, John Reynolds and Dom Owens.

Catholic Activities Chairman Weldon Arner topped Brothers Joe Sink, Vince Squazzo, John Reynolds, Steve Raffo, Al Dietlein and Tom Drogan.

Membership Chairman Tom Drogan named T. J. Adaszczik, J. R. Graybush, Mike Tomko, L. J. Zehnboer Jr., Tom Ownes, Walt Kiziukiewicz and A. J. Struening to his committee.

At the second meeting in January, it was announced that St. Catherine's Hall in Hillside had been obtained for the Inaugural Ball to be held on April 12, 1958.

The Catholic Activities Chairman announced the following schedule: February 9, 1958 Spiritual Bouquet for the Bishops with 6:45 p.m. Mass and Communion at St. Michaels. Father and Son Communion breakfast on March 16. Day of Recollection April 20 at St. Michaels Church.

Not a bad record for six point Committees after only two months in existence.

Nominating Committee Appointments

The following Brothers were appointed to the Columbian Club Nominating Committee to select a slate for the 1976-1977 term.

John Winters, Chairman
Anthony Sibilia
Edwin Vogel
Jim Johnson
G.K. Andrew Popp

At the first regular council meeting on May 10 the Columbian Club Nominating Committee will present their selections to the membership.

Another date to remember is May 24 our second regular Council meeting, when the Columbian Club will hold their annual election of officers and directors for the 1976-1977 term.

All Brothers are urged to attend both of these important meetings.

Pete Kozloski
Columbian Club President



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Edward M. Swierzbinski

Father Morley will speak on Family Life and the month of May includes devotion to Mary; Mother's Day; emphasis on First Communion, some Confirmations — All family oriented. Maybe we should re-think our commitments — mine to priesthood — yours to marriage — all of us to family life.

The following appeared in Easter Catholic Life and I think is a good base for meditation and a good guideline for our bringing some loving consideration into your marriage. Its worth trying.

MAKING YOUR MARRIAGE A SUCCESS

Never both be angry at once. Never taunt each other with a past mistake. Never forget the happy hours of early love. Never meet without a loving welcome. Never talk at each other, either alone or in a crowd. Never yell at each other unless the house is on fire. Let each one strive to yield to the wishes of the other. Never make a remark in public at the expense of the other. It may seem very funny sometimes, but it hurts. Never part for the day without loving words to think about during the absence; short words in the morning make a long day. Never forget that marriage is ordained by God and that His blessing alone can make it what it ought to be.

Remember — The last Friday devotion will be in June. I hope its the best attended. Come, pray and share with us.

Father Ed

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Knight of the Month

SALVATORE MASSIMINO

Sal a relatively new Knight of Columbus, having joined Council 4504 approximately three years ago. He is a dedicated and eager worker. Our present Right to Life Chairman. Sal has rendered his services on the Admissions Committee, as a kitchen aide, a bartender and a Captain of the Tuesday night bowling team.

Sal recently retired from the printing business and is now devoting his time between his hobby as a gardner and visiting his two sons. One son operates a printing business in sunny Florida while number two son is an obstetrician M.D. from Toms River. His greatest pleasure is visiting his grandchildren. Sal's near future plans call for visiting relatives in Italy.

Sal is a communicant of St. Michaels Church, resides on Douglas Terrace, Union.

Sal is a very reserve and congenial person. His finesse as Chairman of Right to Life makes him stand tall.

Our pleasure, to add the name of Brother Salvatore Massimino as Knight of the Month for April 1976.



Top row: Left to right: Ray Caswell, Mike Penk, Gary Guthreau, Bob Bizzaro, Capt., Joe Bizzaro, Frank Dickerson, Manager. Bottom row: Art Reinhard, Coach, Frank Ott, Steve Penk, Dennis Reinhard.

Union K of C wins Championship of National Division Volleyball League, Union Recreation Department.

The council entry in the Union Township Volleyball League won 1st place in the National Division.

To continue this team in action during the spring and summer, any group of men in the Council who wish to challenge the above team should contact Bob Bizzaro — 688-4726, Frank Dickerson — 687-4353 or Art Reinhard — 688-6931.

The Columbian Club is most anxious to create a men's volleyball league during the summer season. Any Council member wishing to participate should contact the above named men. Games are held one evening and Sunday afternoons, each week, for approximately one hour per.

Art Reinhard

Advance Notice

BICENTENNIAL MASS

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

SUNDAY, JUNE 20, 1976

5 P.M. MASS

May Crowning

Date: May 2, 1976

Time: 2:00 p.m. Council Home

Bring your wife and family to worship the Blessed Mother and say the rosary. Make sure to bring your children.

Husband, Wife and God

Chaplain's Night will be held on the first Friday of the month — May 7, 1976 starting with celebration of Mass at 8 p.m. Council Home.

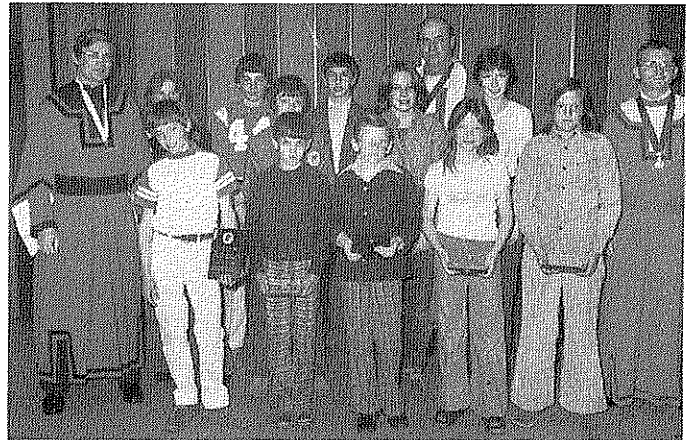
Rev. John M. Morley will be guest speaker. Father Morley is Director of Family Life Apostolate Archdiocese of Newark. His topic will be "Husband, Wife and God."

Brother Knights, make a note on your calendar to bring your wife. Program will conclude at 10 p.m.

Henry Mey
Church Activities

Youth Free-Throw (Council Level Winners)

Brothers on January 22, 1976 our Second Annual Free-Throw Tourney was held, at Battle Hill School. This tourney was the first of two for our winners, we are the Union County Champs. On February 28th at Ramsey, N. J. the regionals were held, none of our shooters won, but we did win a protest on how poorly this was run. We presented the Council level winners awards, on Monday, April 12 and on May 2nd we'll give them the county awards. This summer we'll be looking for candidates for next year's basketball team.



Dan Neroda
Inside Guard
Free-Throw Chairman