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WE DO IT AGAIN!

COUNCIL WINS 1st PLACE TROPHY
FOR BEST DEGREE WORK IN STATE -
3rd YEAR IN A ROW



STATE AWARDS

At the annual State Convention held at Atlantic City on May 14, 15, and 16 Union Council was presented the top three State Awards shown above. On the left in the picture, is the State Deputy Award for the Best Council Bulletin in the State — the Knight Digest; center, is the Ceremonial Trophy, for the Best Degree work by Council Officers in the State; and on the right, the Century Club Award, for a net gain in membership of 114 members. The Digest was also selected as the Best Council Bulletin in the Archdiocese of Newark.

In addition to the awards presented to Union Council, our District Deputy Dennis J. Burke, Jr., PGK, was honored as District Deputy of the Year.

We can be proud, not only of the awards received at the convention, but of all the achievements of our Council in the past year, which are indicative of the enthusiasm and unity of purpose and action, which has made Union Council what it is today.

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CALENDAR

JUNE 11 — FRIDAY
Indoctrination Night — \$ night dance

JUNE 12 — SATURDAY
Union County K. of C. dance at the Council home

JUNE 14 — MONDAY
Regular Council meeting
Election of Council officers

JUNE 16 — WEDNESDAY
Regular meeting of the 4th Degree Assembly at the Council home

JUNE 24 — THURSDAY
Columbian Club meeting

JUNE 28 — MONDAY
Regular Council meeting
Awards Dinner meeting beginning at 6:30 P.M.

JULY 10 — SATURDAY
Annual Golf Tournament
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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Shortly the Council fiscal year will draw to a close, and with the exception of the Swim Club, most of the activities of the council will become dormant during the summer months.

Although there are no affairs scheduled, planning and preparation for the year ahead must be done at this time by the officers of the council and the committee chairmen, in order to have things 'rolling' by September.

There is much to be done by each committee chairman during this 2 month period, and without your assistance they cannot make adequate plans to ensure success of the projected ventures.

The Six Point Program of Union Council offers an opportunity for each of us to contribute in some small way to the moral, physical, and social well-being of our brothers and their families.

Whether you are a new member of Union Council or a charter member, ask yourself this question: 'What have I done to help my brothers build a bigger and better council?' Your support and attendance at the council functions is needed — and certainly appreciated — but more than this, your support is needed as active members of one of our many committees.

It is difficult to plan activities for a council as large as ours, and even more difficult to make these plans a reality. It cannot be done by a handful of men, as is frequently the case.

Your ideas and suggestions cannot help us if you keep them to yourself, nor can they become a reality if we lack the initiative and manpower to put them into use. In the very near future your officers and committee chairmen will be looking to you for assistance in many capacities for the 1965-66 fiscal year. It is not too early to give serious thought to helping your council. There are innumerable ways in which you can — too many to mention here. If you want to work, but feel you have no particular talent that will be of value, you are no different from anyone else who has taken an active interest in the affairs of the council. Talk to any of the Six Point Chairmen concerning the workings of their individual committees, and after mulling it over in your mind, I'm sure you'll agree that there is 'something you can do'. No one person is an expert or a specialist, but through unity of thought and action, ideas do become reality, and it is through this unity of action that our council has remained second to none.

NEW COLUMBIAN CLUB OFFICERS



Bernard C. Raymond
Columbian Club President

At the regular council meeting of April 26th, the annual Columbian Club elections were held.

Bernard Raymond was elected Club President. Bernie has held various elective and appointed positions in the Columbian Club, and is a charter member of Union Council. He is a familiar figure around the council, well known to all of us.

Other Club officers elected were: Cliff Morris, 1st vice-president; Charles Howes, 2nd vice-president; Howard Leary, 3rd vice-president; Harvey Lewis, recording secretary; Jim Moran, corresponding secretary; Dominic Crincoli, treasurer; Albert Petracca, assistant treasurer.

Mark Hayes, William Stuart, Anthony Shans and Joseph Bizzaro were elected to the Board of Directors for a three year term, and Henry Chemidlin, for a term of 2 years.

Congratulations Brothers, and best wishes for a successful term of office.

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Friday Night Socials

Once again our Columbian Club has come up with another gimmick for our Friday Night socials, this time for those persons who are in attendance when the jackpot is less than \$50.00.

As an additional encouragement to those of you who may hesitate to come out when the jackpot is less than \$50.00, we will have a drawing for those persons in attendance ONLY, for a dinner at either the Kingston or Tretola's Restaurants. However there must be at least 30 persons in attendance in order for the drawing to be held. This is a fine opportunity for you and your family to have a night on the town, why not give it a try. See you at the club next Friday.

Grand Knight's Message

Frank J. Dickerson



My Brother Knights:

In this my last message to you as Grand Knight, I would like to express my deep gratitude to all who have contributed to the programs of this Council year of 1964-65. I feel that you have bestowed upon me a great and singular honor to serve Union Council as its Grand Knight. However, no one individual has ever been responsible for the excellent reputation that we in Union Council have earned. It takes diligent effort and sacrifice of many hands united together to achieve the favorable results we have known in the past.

To our worthy Chaplain Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll for his sound advice in the formative days of this council year, and for his continued efforts throughout the year in light of his heavy schedule at St. Michael's Church, I shall ever be grateful.

My thanks too, to District Deputy Dennis Burke for his cooperation and assistance throughout the council year.

To my fellow officers who so willingly and diligently worked together to help Union Council remain one of the finest in our Order goes my heartfelt appreciation. In Atlantic City at our Annual State Convention, it was quite an honor for me to receive the ceremonial award for our council for the third consecutive year. To accomplish this, these men put in long hours of study and practice and are deserving of much credit for bringing this honor to Union Council again.

To Jim Gardner our Six Point Chairman, to each chairman of the various six point activities, (especially our award winners, Roger Boetsch and Andy Popp, for giving us the finest publication in the State and a Century Club Award and Membership Honor Roll) must go the congratulations of the entire membership for the excellent program we were able to participate in during the current year.

To our Columbian Club officers and directors, to the Swim Club and to all who in any way contributed, may I extend my sincerest thanks.

In summation I would ask each member to rejoin and regroup in support of the new officers of your council and Columbian Club to the best of your ability. When questions and problems arise, bring them to the attention of your officers at the

council meetings, officer or Columbian Club meetings. Discussion in a proper atmosphere is healthy, and can only lead to a better Council.

United in this manner, Union Council cannot help but remain strong and healthy, and be better able to display the principles of Columbianism which are so important to each of us as Brother Knights.

Again I thank you all for this most happy year in my life.

Paternally yours,

FRANK J. DICKERSON
Grand Knight

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Knight of the Month

How would you like to supervise the activities of over 100 youngsters every Saturday morning for 28 weeks? No, — well Brother Harold Cortese did just that as Youth Bowling Chairman this year.

Working with youth in sports is not new to Harold, and he derives a great deal of enjoyment and satisfaction from it. He has worked for the past 2 years on our youth bowling committee, and is also a Trustee of the Babe Ruth League in Union.

An avid sports fan himself, Harold feels there is nothing more wholesome or beneficial to our youth than participation in athletic activities.

A member of the Knights of Columbus since 1947, Harold first joined South Orange Council #1831 and in 1962 transferred to Union Council. He has served on the council activities committee both in the South Orange Council, and our own, in addition to his youth activities work.

Harold is a communicant of Holy Spirit Parish, and resides with his wife Terry at 661 Fairfield Way. They are the parents of two fine boys, Harold, Jr., a sophomore at St. Benedict's Prep in Newark and Thomas 11, who attends St. Michael's in Union.

For the past 20 years Harold has been employed with E.G.L. Company of Newark as Production Manager and Purchasing Agent.

We are all indebted to Harold for the fine job he has done working with our youngsters. Congratulations Harold, on being selected our Knight of the Month for May.

Knights of the Month

September	Joe Noel
October	Gene Zelazny
November	Matt Rinaldo
December	Pat Gethins
January	Ernie DeLuca
February	Harvey Lewis
March	John Fleno
April	Frank Gillick
May	Harold Cortese

ELECTION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS

The annual ELECTION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS will be held the first meeting night in June, MONDAY, JUNE 14th, immediately following the regular council meeting. ALL members are requested to attend this all important meeting, and participate in selecting the men you want to represent you in the coming year. The nominating committee has proposed the following slate:

For Grand Knight, B. Warren Hehl; Deputy Grand Knight, Walter Wasowski; Chancellor, J. Russel Coen; Warden, Henry Skarbek; Advocate, James Conlon; Recorder, Robert Holler; Treasurer, John McCarthy; Inside Guard, James Moran; Outside Guard, Roger Boetsch; for Trustee positions, James Confroy, PGK, William Taylor, PGK, and Frank Dickerson, PGK.

The office of Financial Secretary is an appointive one, through the Supreme Office in New Haven and not an elective one.

Nominations may be made from the floor for any of the offices indicated above, and are open up to and including the night of election. We strongly urge each of you to attend this meeting, and support the nominee of your choice.

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COUNCIL PURCHASES MORE LAND

At the Union Township meeting of April 27th, our council acquired additional land immediately behind and adjacent to our present property. The purchase included the land used last year as the picnic grove as well as the property adjacent to it, extending as far as the rear of the property line of the homes facing Morris Ave. The entire amount of land purchased is larger than the total property previously owned by the Council, including the area of the swim club.

It is planned to expand the picnic grove, and develop the area for the pleasure of the entire membership. Exact plans will be discussed at future Columbian Club meetings which should be of interest to everyone. Clearing the area, even the present area used for the picnic grove was begun on Sunday, May 2nd, but a great deal of work remains to be done.

Many hands make light work, and the Columbian Club has asked that anyone who can spare a few hours a week to help clearing the ground for a better recreational area, contact Bill Donnelly or Jack Mageen, or better yet bring your rakes and shovels to the club any Saturday or Sunday.



Jim Gardner
General Chairman



Jules Pruszkowski
Catholic Activities

This being the final issue of the Knight Digest for the 1964-65 fiscal year, we would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to the members of our committees, without whose untiring efforts and assistance we could not have carried out the aims of the Six Point Program.



Bob Armstrong
Council Activities

Our thanks too, to the officers of the Council and the Columbian Club for their cooperation and assistance in all of our endeavors.



Pete Genova
Fraternal Activities

Lastly, a special thanks to the membership of Union Council, their families and friends, for the fine support given us throughout the year at our many functions. Your enthusiastic response is the true measure of the success of our program.



Andy Popp
Membership & Insurance

It is our sincere hope that the enthusiasm and support accorded us, will be extended to your new chairmen in the coming year.



Ed McCormick
Youth Activities

Fraternally yours,
Your Six Point Committee Chairmen



Roger Boetsch
Public Relations

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PUBLIC DECENCY

An all day State-wide Public Decency Seminar was held on May 1 at the College of Saint Elizabeth, Convent Station, N. J. The seminar was presented by the Knights of Columbus State Committee for Public Decency under the direction of Chairman George E. Emery. Cooperating organizations were the Holy Name Society, National Council of Catholic Men, Citizens for Decent Literature and Operation Yorkville.

The primary objectives of the Knights of Columbus were outlined by Chairman Emery as follows:

1. To further strengthen the organization of the Knights of Columbus in New Jersey for increased participation and effectiveness in the fight against Extreme Individualism and its "kissin' cousins" atheism and communism.

2. To promote interfaith cooperation, unification, and coordination of the efforts of all forces in New Jersey dedicated to promoting Public Decency.

Emery in his talk pointed out that the philosophy of Extreme Individualism is that of "anything goes" and the hypocritical cries of "censorship", and "You can't legislate morality", by these promoters of illegal human behavior have already been refuted by a member of the United States Supreme Court. Chief Justice Arthur J. Goldberg has said of this, "If you adopt this thesis, which I think is a very unfortunate thesis, then why adopt any law? The idea that you cannot legislate morality—civilized behavior—is a foolish, non-sensical idea."

State Deputy Stewart A. Schoder, Jr. said that he wanted a Public Decency organization that would be second to none. After each of the 157 K. of C. Councils in New Jersey have established committees for Public Decency, regional seminars will be held for purposes of uniform orientation on statewide objectives. These will be held in the regions of Trenton, Paterson, Newark and Camden. Schoder said that no one has the right to destroy the innocence of children. He gave the example of Nazi Germany, where Hitler in 1931 supplanted decent literature with trash and sank them to the lowest depths that a country could go.

Raymond D. O'Brien, State Advocate K. of C., presented a resolution asking that a bill be introduced in New Jersey similar to one recently introduced in the New York legislature specifically defining the proscribed pornography.

Assemblywoman Mrs. Mildred Barry Hughes, already sponsor of two anti-smut bills, later in the day

announced she would have the legislation drafted and introduced as soon as possible.

Twenty-one speakers addressed the group during the six hour session, appealing for a unified effort and outlining specific areas in which state and local committees can work. Highlights of these talks will be presented at future council meetings.

Union Council will need a large committee to properly put in force the objectives that have been outlined above. We need your active help.

Indoctrination Night

On Friday, June 11, we will hold our final Indoctrination Night at the council home, beginning at 7:30 P.M. for all new 3rd degree members and their wives. We urge all new members who have not attended the Indoctrination meetings this year to do so now.

(NOTE: Our apologies to those of you who were misled by our previous articles pertaining to the Indoctrination night. Due to the necessity of holding additional Major Degrees, unannounced changes were made in our schedule at the last minute. But this time its for real.)

The Indoctrination meeting will be followed by a \$1.00 Night Dance, which is open to all members and their wives.

Awards Dinner Meeting

On Monday, June 28th, we will hold our annual Awards Dinner Meeting beginning at 6:30 P.M. Tickets are available at the Council home or from any member of the Fraternal Activities committee. We ask that you purchase your tickets in advance, so we can have some idea of the number of persons to prepare for.

Following the dinner, at 8:15 P.M. the regular council meeting will be held, at which time the Knight of the Month awards will be presented, as well as others, to those Brothers who performed outstanding services for the good of the Order. At this time also the Knight of the Year award will be presented.

We urge the entire membership to be present at this meeting, to show your appreciation to those Brothers who are so deserving. This will also be the final meeting under the leadership of Grand Knight Frank Dickerson, and our final opportunity to show our appreciation for all he has done in the past year.

If you are unable to attend the dinner early in the evening, please make every effort to attend the meeting scheduled for 8:15 P.M.

SWIM CLUB STAFF

With the opening of the Swim Club we felt it would be a good idea if we took this opportunity to introduce you to your new pool manager and his staff.

Our pool manager is Joseph A. Spiotta, a graduate of Seton Hall University, presently teaching physical education at Upper School in Englewood Cliffs. Joe is also the chief supervisor of all recreational activities in the community. He is also the assistant to the executive director of the National Council on Physical Fitness.

Our head life guard and assistant manager is Jerome C. Sorensen. A graduate of East Stroudsburg State, Jerry also holds an M.A. Degree from Columbia University. He is presently a guidance counselor at Butler High School.

The two male life guards, (girls) are John Semple and Harry Snyder. Both are students at Seton Hall University majoring in Physical Education. Both John and Harry hold the Red Cross Senior Life Saving certificate, and both are First Aid instructors at the University.

Not wanting to slight some of our male "swimmers", in the event they need some assistance, we have Carolyn Lawton, a sophomore at Albion College, Michigan, where she is majoring in English. Carolyn also holds the senior Life Saving Certificate.

Mona DiFilippo, a graduate of the University of Michigan will be our swimming instructor. Mona is a Physical Education teacher at Abraham Lincoln High School in West Orange, and is the consultant on swimming to the National Council on Physical Fitness. She is a National AAU swimming champion, and the winner of every junior and senior swimming championship in New Jersey. She is also the winner of more than 100 championships in over 12 years of swimming competition. She was voted the outstanding swimmer of the year in 1957, and is nationally prominent as one of the highest point scorers in AAU competition for the past 10 years.

In speaking with Mr. Spiotta he indicated that he plans to have organized activities throughout the year for the adults as well as for the children, both swimming and athletic activities. His program is well planned, and as you can see from the qualifications of his staff, he certainly has a good start.

IN MEMORIAM

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