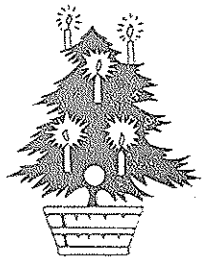


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6-POINT PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT

Your attention is called to the calendar in this issue of the Knight Digest and in every other issue to keep abreast of the activities of the council. The chairmen and their committees are working daily on their projects to provide you with an active, balanced and complete program.

We are always seeking additional brothers to attach themselves to one of the committees' whose particular objectives appeal to them. This action on the part of each of you will better help you to make the Council a better one and yourself a better Knight.

The Order affords us many benefits, both material and spiritual, and they are there for us if we contribute a part of our free time to assisting others who are now giving unselfishly of their time and efforts. Help the others to make their burden that much lighter and help the council to achieve its objectives in becoming one of the foremost councils in New Jersey. We can do it.

Should you desire to join any of the committees, you may contact Weldon C. Arner, general chairman of the Six-Point program committee, MU. 8-7082.

The monthly meeting of the six-point chairmen was held two weeks ago with our Grand Knight and trustees in attendance for discussion of the 1958-59 council budget. An illuminating discussion was held and the trustees have indicated they are now prepared to approve the following budgets: Catholic Activity, \$150; Youth Activity, \$100; Fraternal Activity, \$100; Membership, \$300; Public Relations, \$380, and Council Activities, unlimited advances as needed since such funds will only be required to furnish immediate means to functions since that committee is the only fund raising means utilized.

Since this is the Yule season and the time of the year to be happy, make others happy and thank God for His goodness and charity throughout the year, we should pray in thanksgiving and receive the Blessed Sacrament.

Speaking for myself, and the chairmen of the Six-Point program, may I extend to each of you and your families the best for Christmas time; may the Christ Child pray for all and keep us healthy, happy and bright and grant us world peace for the new year.

--- Weldon C. Arner

COLUMBIAN CLUB IS FORMED; 12 OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

CALENDAR

Tonight-Exemplification of Major Degree at Columbian Club, Elizabeth, 8 p.m.

Mon., Dec. 8-Regular business meeting at VFW, 8:15 p.m.

Dec., 17-Childrens' Christmas Party at VFW, 8 p.m.

Dec. 22-Regular business meeting at VFW, 8:15 p.m.

1st ANNIVERSARY DEGREE TONIGHT

More than 70 members of Union Council are scheduled to receive honors of the Major Degree tonight at 8 p.m. in a special ceremony at the Columbian Club, Elizabeth.

The Major Degree, first to be conducted this year by the Council, is in honor of the Council's first anniversary.

Members are particularly urged to make every attempt to attend the exemplification. The Columbian Club is located at 338 Union Ave., Elizabeth, off Morris Ave., one block north of Westfield Ave.

Candidates for Third Degree honors tonight are principally composed of the more than 60 members who have joined the council since last September.

Those members received honors of the First and Second Degrees at the Veterans Memorial Home between Oct. 13 and last Monday.

DUES, INSURANCE FEES TO BE PAYABLE JAN. 1

Council members are reminded that dues and insurance fees will be due Jan. 1. Financial Secretary Alvin Dietlein again urged members to pay dues, if possible, on an annual basis.

Dues and insurance fees may be paid to Dietlein at any meeting. All checks, if used for payment, should be made out payable to Union Council 4504, Knights of Columbus.

Grand Knight Howard R. Leary will appoint a 12-member nominating committee Monday to select a slate of officers for the recently formed Columbian Club.

The committee will be directed to select 12 officer candidates for the Columbian Club and report back at the Dec. 22 meeting. Election of officers for the club will be held at the first business meeting of 1959, Jan. 12. After that, the Columbian Club president will call the first meeting of that group, at whichtime by-laws will be drafted.

The Columbian Club was formed Nov. 24 when the council unanimously adopted a resolution "to empower the Grand Knight to select and appoint a proper committee to effect the formation of a Columbian Club to carry out its corporate functions pursuant to its charter, namely, the acquisition of property for the future home of Union Council 4504."

The Columbian Club, when officially formed, will act independently of the council. Membership to the club will open to all members in good standing of Union Council.

Columbian Club officers to be elected are a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, controller and a seven-member board of directors.

Formation of the Columbian Club opens the door to the Council for purchase of land for construction of a council clubhouse.

CHARTER NIGHT PLANNED JAN. 19 AT VFW HOME

The charter formally establishing Union Council will be presented to the council membership at a special meeting on Monday, Jan. 19, at the Veterans Memorial Home.

That meeting, to be known as Charter Night, will consist of the formal presentation of the charter and a brief program appropriate to the event.

State and Union County K. of C. officials have been invited to attend the presentation.

Wilbur N. Donnelly, Charter Night committee chairman, said the official presentation will be made by District Deputy Frank Jackiewicz.

The charter officially establishes existence of the council which was formed Dec. 2, 1957.

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FIRST, SECOND DEGREES AWARDED NEW MEMBERS

Exemplification of the Second Degree of the order was held Monday for 64 members at the Veterans Memorial Home. It was the second degree conferred by the council within a 14-day period.

Nineteen new council members were awarded honors of the first degree during ceremonies Nov. 10 at the Veterans Home. Those 19 members, coupled with 49 members who received First Degree honors Oct. 13, are scheduled to receive honors of the Major Degree tonight at the Columbian Club in Elizabeth.

The first degree was conducted by Grand Knight Howard R. Leary. He was assisted by Deputy Knight John Zimmerman, Chancellor Geo. Arnold, Warden Thomas Crimmons and Fin. Secretary Alvin Dietlein.

LAY-AWAY PLAN IS SET FOR WEEKEND RETREAT

Thomas Vigliotta, chairman of the committee for the weekend retreat at San Alphonso, West End, wants to remind all members that his committee has formed a "lay-away" plan for payment of the \$18 cost for the weekend scheduled April 24, 25 & 26.

Vigliotta said members may pay any amount they wish at future council meetings, gradually making up the cost. He said the plan was formed to save members from paying a "lump sum" when the retreat begins.

In either event, Vigliotta has asked all members planning on making the retreat to place their reservation with him so the committee will have an indication of attendance when it makes its reservation.

Rev. James Collins, C.S.S.A., retreat master at San Alphonso, will describe the routine and procedures during the weekend of prayer and meditation at a council meeting in February.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

Mother Church uses Her ritual in this time before the birthday of Christ to stimulate the Virtue of Hope which she knows is in us through the presence of Sanctifying Grace. By reason of the Virtue of Hope we constantly trust that there is an eternal life for us and the means are available for our attaining that end. Through all of Advent the theme of the Mass is "He is coming." The Son of God is to be born into the world.

The Church allows us to experience with the people of the Old Testament the longing for the coming of the Messiah, their confidence that he will bring them into the friendship of God.

We of the new covenant know that this has been accomplished. But too often we become complacent and consider the blessing as something which is our due. The Church reminds us again and again that it is only in God's mercy, through no desert of our, that God sent his Son to redeem us.

In preparation for Christmas, it would be well for us to think of what our world would be like without His coming. His revealed truths are the only force against materialistic communism in our day.

As we long for peace in our time we perhaps could translate our longing for the coming of Christ into a real plea that knowledge of His

coming would be given to all men. More personally we should see the absence of His influence in our own individual lives.

We may throughout Advent apply His presence to every major circumstances of our lives. In our time of prayer and meditation we can beseech Christ that He come into every phase of our lives.

As Knights of Columbus you are engaged in putting Christ into Christmas. If your hearts are filled with a longing for the coming of Christ, your speech will be concerned with the truth, "Christ, our Redeemer, is born. Christ, the longed for of all the nations, is born into the world."

'WALKING BLOOD BANK' IS FORMED BY COUNCIL

A 'Walking Blood Bank' is presently being formed among membership of Union Council by the Fraternal Activities Committee.

Jim Confroy, committee chairman, said the blood bank would consist of a list of council members who could be reached by telephone in the event some council member or members of his immediate family is in need of blood.

Confroy said membership in the blood bank may be had by merely signing up with the committee. All membership requires is the name, telephone number and blood type of prospective donors.

BABY GIRLS BORN TO BACHEFSKIS, CONFROYS

Two baby girls, both baptized with the middle name of Anne, were born to wives of Brothers Jim Confroy and Rich Bachefski early last month.

Patricia Anne Confroy weighed in at eight pounds, one ounce, when she was born Nov. 6. Mrs. Confroy is the former Patricia Sunder. The Confroys have two other children, a 4-year-old boy and a 5-year-old girl.

Mrs. Bachefski, the former Betty Walsh, gave birth to five-pound, four-ounce, Elizabeth Anne Bachefski, Nov. 15. The Bachefskis also have a 14 month old daughter, Maureen.

BIRTHDAYS

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| Dec. | 9 - Warren Hehl |
| | 10 - Frank A. Perina Jr. |
| | 11 - John L. Dukes |
| | 17 - Richard J. Graybush |
| | Peter P. Trincune |
| | 18 - John Dowling |
| | 20 - Walter J. McGinley |
| | Joseph J. Schaeffer |
| | 26 - Stephen A. Raffo |
| | 28 - Richard B. Tavis |
| | 29 - A. Raymond Williams |
| | 30 - Robert K. Browne |
| Jan. | 1 - Francis J. Johnson |
| | John J. Plewa |
| | 5 - Genario M. DePalma |

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

In behalf of all council officers and myself, it is my pleasure to extend to all council members and their families our very best wishes for a most Happy and Holy holiday season.

Christmas time is family time. During the holiday season family ties are bound more closely together. Everyone has that warm feeling of being "home for Christmas." Our loved ones mean even more to us as we gather together and exchange gifts by the Christmas tree.

This wonderful feeling can be even greater if we keep in mind the true spiritual meaning of Christmas — Christ's birthday. It is my fervent wish that the Babe of Bethlehem will shower blessings in abundance upon you and your family.

In the same spirit of giving that exists at Christmas, let us remember the collection of jams and jellies for the N. J. Boystown at Arlington. Last year our donations were very warmly received by Fr. Eagan and his boys. A small donation by us can mean a great deal toward Fr. Eagan's problem of keeping his boys well fed.

"Hats off" to our council members who worked in key positions for the annual show, "Roberta", staged by St. Michael's parish. Our organist Joe Rocky served as journal chairman and, through his efforts, was able to produce the largest journal ever. Brother Robert Drew, Mike Pacyna, Tom Owens, Gus Armstrong and Oscar Ernst gave excellent performances as members of the cast.

Brothers Frank Murphy and Gene Patrizio were the stage managers and should be very proud of the fine

VOTE OF THANKS TO JOE SINK

The council expresses its appreciation to Brother Joe Sink for his cooperation in obtaining the printing of certain matters that have come up from time to time requiring fast action in order to get the information to all the members of the council. Joe has never complained nor finds it to his inconvenience to oblige on one of these last minute requests.

scenery they provided for the show. Assisting them were Brothers Frank Maiellano, Walter Wasowski, Al Ballard. The members of the council were very happy to be able to assist in making the show a success and in giving a helping hand to our Chaplain, Rev. Joseph Driscoll, who was in charge.

The council extends a most cordial welcome to all the Third Degree candidates who will receive honors of the Third Degree tonight. We invite these new members to attend council meetings, to meet and associate with their fellow Knights and to take an active part in the council's affairs and activities.

Again wishing you a very Happy Holiday season, and hoping that Santa will be good to all of you,

Fraternally,
Howard R. Leary
Grand Knight

THE KAMIKAZE DRIVER NO VACCINATIONS FOR

Don't be a Kamikaze driver on the highway. Only a Dunce would drive too fast. It's not smart to speed—ask the Undertaker. You have the right-of-way when the other driver gives it to you. Highways are happy ways when you drive safely. Think twice, you only live once, or will you zip into the valley of the shadow of death this weekend. The funeral of the man who couldn't stand being passed will be attended by those who didn't.

There's nothing to be proud of in driving fast—any fool can do that. It's a form of cowardice to threaten other drivers, not courage. Drive carefully, don't insist on your rites, funeral, that is. It's better to come to a dead stop than come to a stop, dead. If you want to drive, stay alive—there are no cars in heaven.

There's no vaccination against traffic accidents. Be a good sport—obey your traffic laws. Stop on Red—go on Green—don't sneak in Between. The blood bank needs your blood—not the highway.

YING YANGS WIN 3; STRETCH LOOP LEAD

The Ying Yangs continued to set the pace in the Intra-Council Bowling League last week by ending the first round of the season with a two-game victory over the Knight Knicks at the Hy-Way Alleys.

The double victory gave the leader's a 24 and 9 slate and stretched its loop lead to eight full games.

The league was to "bowl-off" for position in action Tuesday but no results were available at press time.

Although the Knight Knicks dropped two games to the loop leaders by margins of six and 13 pins, the one victory it did score placed the team in a tie for second place by virtue of the Vigilantes three game loss to the last place Knight Strikers. The First Knighters copped two games from the Crusaders to deadlock those two teams for the third spot.

The Knight Knicks' Ed Burke put together games of 195, 199 and 179 for a 573 series and set a new league mark in that department. Matt Simon was high man for the Ying Yangs with a nifty 533.

Otto Mendes 501 series led the First Knighters twin victory while Ted Kocal was high Crusader kegler with a 479. Adolph Czajkowski's 521 series paced the Knight Strikers triple victory over the Vigilantes whose high scorer was John Burke with a 510.

The team standings and high individual averages after 33 games:

	W	L	
Ying-Yangs	24	9	.727
Knight Knicks	16	17	.485
Vigilantes	16	17	.485
Crusaders	15	18	.455
First Knighters	15	18	.455
Knight Strikers	13	20	.394
	G		Avg.
T. Kocal	-	33	173.23
J. Burke	-	33	168.15
R. Bachevski	-	33	166.3
M. Simon	-	33	166.1
M. Garruba	-	33	166.1
E. Burke	-	33	162.27

THREE MEMBERS AILING; PRAYERS, CARDS URGED

Three council members were reported to be ill this week by the Fraternal Activities Committee.

They are Guilio Bonanno, confined to his home at 260 New Jersey Ave. after suffering a heart attack last weekend; John Arminio, who is recovering at his home, 150 Sunset Ave., Newark, after having a serious operation this month, and Frank Dickerson, at the New Brunswick Rehabilitation Center, recuperating from polio.

The Fraternal Activities Committee urges all members to remember the three brothers in their prayers and also drop them a line or card.

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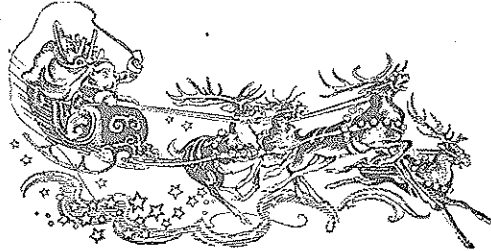
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