



# Knight Digest



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## The Hobby of Giving

Recently, after observing the exemplification of the First Degree of our order, I began to dwell on its lesson of charity. After some meditation, the idea of giving of one's self came to me. I began to experiment with giving-away and discovered it to be a lot of fun. It never failed to give me a glow of pleasure.

It was then that I came to the important realization that anything that makes one glow with pleasure is beyond money calculation in this world where there is altogether too much grubbing and too little glowing.

Successful giving-away has to be cultivated, just as does successful getting. Opportunities are as fleeting as opportunities for earning quick profits. But you will find that ideas in giving are like some varieties of flowers—the more you pick them the more they bloom. And giving-away makes life so much more exciting that I strongly recommend it as a hobby. You need not worry if you lack money. Of all the things a person may give, money is the least permanent in the pleasure it produces.

People have different things to give. Some have time, energy, ideas, or skill. Others have special talents. But anyone can give away appreciation, interest, and encouragement.

Another discovery I have made is that it is almost impossible to give away anything in this world without getting something back—provided you are not trying to get something. Compensation comes out of the feeling that I am part of the life of my times, doing what I can to make things more exciting and interesting for other people, and that makes life more exciting and interesting for me, and keeps my mind keener.

As if this were not enough, I find that friends multiply and good things come to me from every direction. I've decided the world insists on balancing accounts with givers-away—provided that their hands aren't outstretched for favors.

## NOTICE

All material for publication must be in the hands of Public Relations Chairman Barney Capriglione by the 15th of the previous month, in order to appear in current digest.

## ANOTHER SELL OUT

Once again I want to thank all my Brother Knights who helped to make the Halloween and Sno Ball dances the great successes that they were.

I would also like to thank Herb Kay for a great job he is doing in selling the tickets and arranging the tables at all the dances. This is a thankless job and most of us do not realize the headaches it entails. Thanks again Herb.

The next and last affair of the year will be the New Year's Eve Dance. The tickets will go on sale on November 28, 1966, at Kay's Hardware Store. The sale of tickets will be limited to Brother Knights for the first two weeks, then the remainder of the tickets, if any, will be open for sale to the guests of the knights.

The price has been set at \$20 per couple, which will, of course, include a buffet, two set ups at each table of ten, hats, noisemakers for all and of course dancing until 3 a.m. Plan your New Year's Eve early so that you will not be disappointed.

May I take this opportunity to wish all my Brother Knights and their families a Blessed Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

William M. Zurich,  
Chairman



## Christmas Dinner Meeting

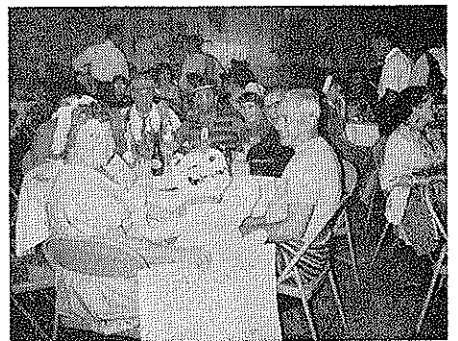
The spirit of Christmas will be abroad on Monday, December 12, when our Council will commemorate the season with it's annual Christmas dinner meeting.

A Christmas dinner will be offered at 6:30 p.m. at the price of \$1.50 per person. We guarantee an evening of pleasure and entertainment in the true spirit of brotherhood.

This year a new policy has been instituted whereby a one dollar donation per man will be requested in lieu of the usual crab bag. The proceeds will be given to a charity selected by the council. Join me, Brother Knights, in celebrating this festive occasion.

Tickets for the dinner meeting may be procured from Fraternal Activities Chairman Andy Tobia.

## ANOTHER GOOD TIME



## Children's Christmas Party

On Sunday, December 18, from 1 to 4 p.m., the Council will hold its annual Children's Christmas Party at the Council Home. This affair is for all children of Brother Knights up to and including 10 years of age.

A gift under \$2.00 for each child should be brought, clearly written with the child's name (this is a must). If you plan to attend the Christmas Party please contact Youth Activities Chairman Joseph McEnroe at MU 6-5346.

## First Degree Ceremony

Nine new candidates received the honors of the First Degree at a ceremony held on Monday, November 14, at the Council Home.

The new members are: Richard F. Dombrosky, Peter G. Hoelderlin, Alfred L' Altirelli, Salvatore Longo, Anthony J. Michalski, Walter J. Reinhard, Henry E. Smith, Nicholas Tavaqlione and Salvatore Tavaglione. The officers and members welcome our new brothers into our Council and wish them success,

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## CALENDAR

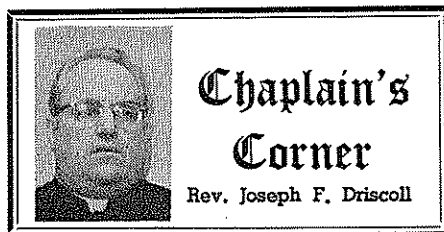
DECEMBER 2 — FRIDAY  
Third Degree  
8:00 p.m. Council Home  
DECEMBER 12 — MONDAY  
Christmas Dinner Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Council Home  
DECEMBER 14 — WEDNESDAY  
Regular Meeting  
Fourth Degree  
DECEMBER 17 — SATURDAY  
Basketball Game  
Seton Hall Gymnasium  
DECEMBER 18 — SUNDAY  
Children's Christmas Party  
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Council Home  
DECEMBER 25 — SUNDAY  
Christmas Day  
Season's Greetings  
DECEMBER 26 — MONDAY  
No Council meeting  
DECEMBER 31 — SATURDAY  
New Year's Eve Party  
Council Home

## Union County Federation

The Union County Federation of Knights of Columbus Councils membership consists of fifteen Union County Councils, comprising 6,423 members.

The purpose of the Federation is to promote unity of action between Councils; to endeavor to promote between member Councils a closer bond of fraternal, social and spiritual action; to consider appropriate matters of general Catholic interest; coordinate charitable activities, to adopt such measures as shall protect and promote these interests, the general welfare of the Councils comprising the Federation, and the well being of their members; and to assist each member Council and the Federation at large to receive their due recognition from the State Council.

The delegates from Union Council are Walter Wasowski and B. Warren Hehl.



## Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

The Conference of American Bishops in their first meeting has given us a change of concept in directing our spiritual lives. They have indicated to us for our guidance that the obligation of abstaining from meat on Friday should no longer be considered as binding under sin excepting the Fridays of Lent. The Bishops immediately remind us that the relaxation of the law is in no way intended as a stimulus to reduce our understanding of the need of self denial and self discipline. We may continue to abstain from eating meat but need not have our conscience as involved regarding sin. The Bishops as well remind us that in our time self denial in the use of alcohol would be a meaningful substitute for some and a splendid example for others. We are reminded also in the seasons of Lent and Advent to take upon ourselves freely the spirit of self denial so that we might mark ourselves as the followers of Him who took upon himself excruciating suffering to atone for sin.

In this month we celebrate the day that is the focal point in history, the birthday of the Savior of the world, the day that has no other meaning than the explanation to man of God's idea of love. His clear revelation of love's meaning to us may be stated in this way: Man offended God, God's reaction to man's offense was the sending of His Son. The Son's work on earth was the salvation of man. As followers of Christ, we should examine ourselves each day on whether or not we have Christ's reaction to offenses made against us.



The Officers,  
Chairmen and  
Digest Staff  
wish to extend to all  
the Brothers and  
their families a  
Holy and Happy  
Holiday!

## DO IT NOW!!

When does the Pool open? A strange question this time of the year? Perhaps, but really it depends which side of the fence you are on. If you are one of the fortunate brothers who already enjoy the fruits of membership in the Swim Club, this may or may not interest you.

We sincerely hope you will read on and reflect deeply on the ensuing message. To answer the first question the pool will open Memorial Day weekend as usual. The answer to the second question is an emphatic "NO". The simple truth is that there are people who should be seriously considering this in the name of Charity. You will recall that Charity is the hallmark of a true Knight. The people we refer to are those who for reasons known to them wish to withdraw from the Swim Club. Aside from any personal interest, there is another reason they should be concerned—their replacements on the Swim Club roster.

Remember, it costs exactly \$315.00 the first year, for a brother to join. To a few of our more affluent members this may be of little consequence, but to most of us this is a large chunk of "hard to come by" cash. Thus, our plea at this time for any Swim Club member who plans to withdraw before the 1967 season, to please inform us in writing as soon as possible. We can not accept a verbal statement on so important a matter.

Please understand that you will be Charitable to your prospective replacement by giving him an opportunity to raise the money, make or cancel arrangements for the coming summer. In the past there have been instances where a brother had to refuse the opportunity to join because one of his brother Knights thoughtlessly neglected to make his intentions known. This also placed the added burden of having his name placed at the bottom of the waiting list, which in all probability would mean a wait of two to three years before the opportunity arose again.

This may seem harsh, but in all honesty we believe you will agree it is the only fair way to operate. Those of you who are planning on withdrawing from the Swim Club can help us to avoid such situations.

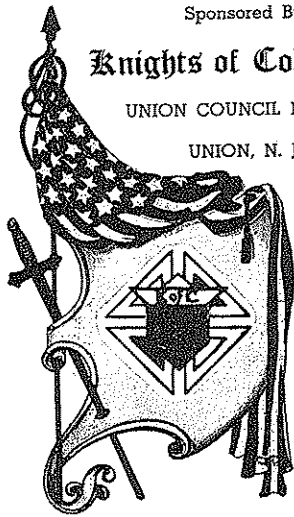
Applicants for the Swim Club must be paid up members in good standing. Should this letter apply to you please send notice of your intentions to Columbian Swim Club, Box 1206, Union, N. J.

Please cooperate, be charitable, be a true Knight—do not wait until next May—ACT NOW!

Our sincere apologies to the family of Patrick Gillen for the omission of his name from our memorial list in November's issue.

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY UNION COUNCIL

## First Inaugural Ball



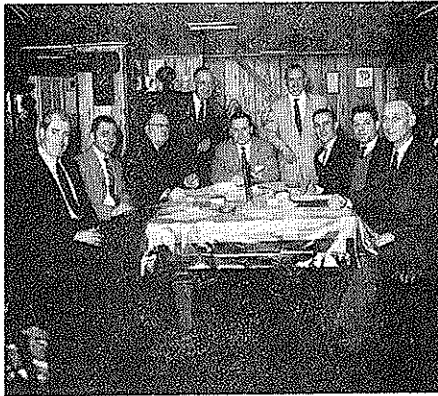
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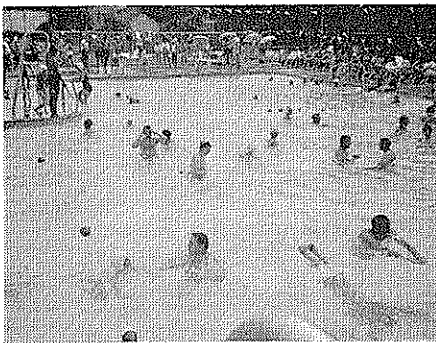
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SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 12, 1958

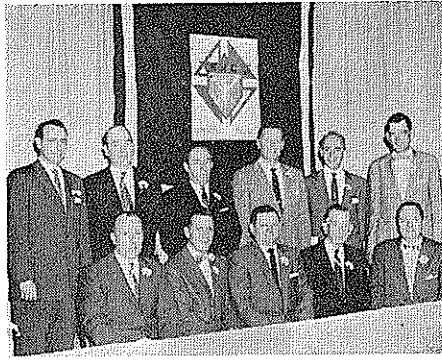
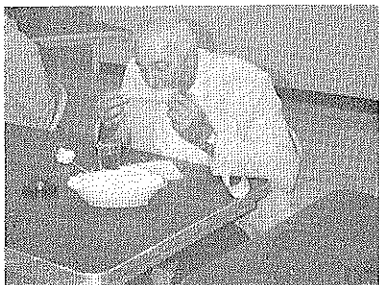
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Organization First Meeting, basement of William Faye—1958: (Left to right) B. Brown, F. Murphy, Bill Faye, J. Connell, B. Warren Hehl, Dr. J. Cappeto, L. Giaccona, T. Arminio and Koloman Kiss.



Opening of Columbian Swim Club—1964



First Officers of Union Council (Dec. 2, 1957-June 30, 1958): Standing, left to right, Charles Lynch and William Darrow, trustees; Advocate Weldon C. Arner; Recorder Thomas M. Crimmons; Trustee Joseph Gaynor, and Financial Secretary James B. Valladares. Seated, left to right: Treasurer James A. Mahon; Chancellor John S. Zimmerman; Grand Knight Howard R. Leary, Deputy Grand Knight James J. Connell, and Warden George Arnold.

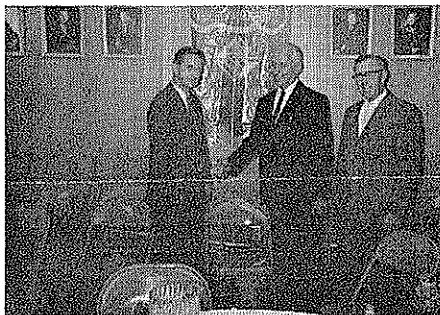


MASS 6:45 A.M. St. Michaels Church, Union, N. J.

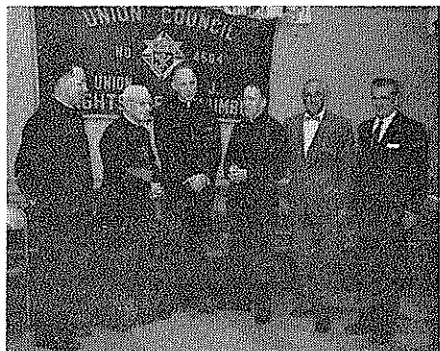
Breakfast 8:30 A.M. Parish Hall



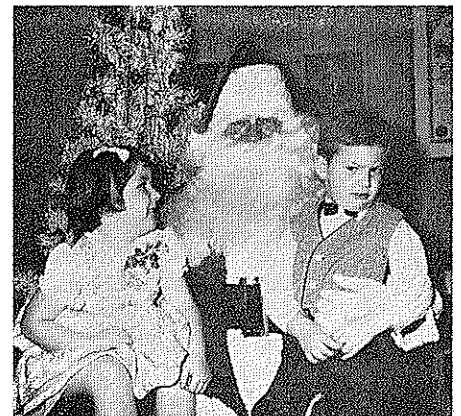
Ground Breaking Ceremony, Council Home—1960: Fr. J. Driscoll, T. Crimmins, B. Warren Hehl.



First Champs of Our Bowling League—1958: E. Burke, J. Gardner, J. Murphy, V. Slavin and Dr. J. Cappeto.



Reception for Father Drexler of Holy Spirit into Union—1964.



A True Santa Claus — Howard Leary

## THE GUIDING LIGHTS BEHIND THE PAST YEARS





The recent reminder by the Public Relations Chairman that the deadline for the December issue of the Knights Digest was rapidly approaching also served as notice that the first half of our Council year was drawing to a close. The work of the Six Point Committee Chairmen under the able leadership of General Program Chairman has certainly been gratifying. The absence of last minute confusion indicates thorough, efficient and advanced planning. Continued support and cooperation by the general membership in the second half of the year will enable Union Council to be singled out as a model for other Councils to emulate.

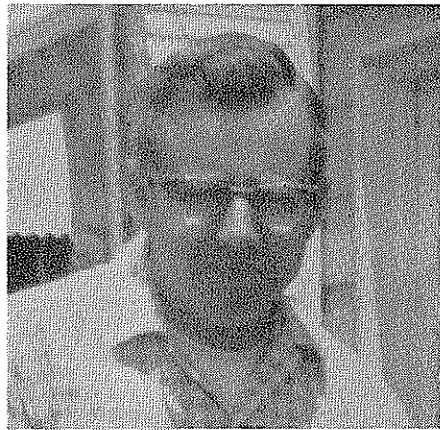
I would be remiss if I did not express my personal thanks for the response to some of the important functions which were held in the past month. The attendance at the annual Blood Bank drive enables the Council to maintain an effective balance in our account with the Eastern Blood Bank. The Commemorative Service for our departed brothers was a source of consolation to the families who joined with us in "remembering" those who have gone from our midst. The capacity gathering to pay tribute to Past Grand Knight Warren Hehl and Past Columbian Club President Bernard Raymond properly honored them for their labors in the past.

Most of us will be busily engaged very shortly in sending Holiday Greetings to our relatives and friends. An examination of some of the cards displayed would cause one to wonder why they are labeled "Christmas Cards". Let us be certain that the cards we send indicate that the Holyday we remember on December 25th is the Birthday of our Savior.

In conclusion, I would like to extend on behalf of the Officers and Committee Chairman the sincerest wish that all the members of the Council and their families enjoy a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Holy New Year. Let us all pray at this time that through the intercession of the "Prince of Peace", the leaders of the nations of the world be given the wisdom necessary to find an effective means to end all strife throughout the world.

## WANTED:

Practical Catholics for membership in the Knights of Columbus.



## Knight of the Month

DECEMBER, 1966

John P. Boyle, Jr.

The joy of Christmas is two-fold for John Boyle, Knight of the Month for December.

Jack, as he is better known, is typical of the many brothers that have dedicated themselves to the success of our Council.

Jack and his wife, Ellen, have been married eight years and reside in Union at 2145 Kay Avenue. The Boyles are parishioners of St. Michaels Parish and the proud parents of three lovely children, Catherine, John III, and Eileen.

May the Christmas tree glowing for the Christ Child shine brightly upon the Boyles and may their holidays be blessed with the true spirit of Christmas.

## Blood Bank

Union Council #4504 held a Blood Donor Day during the afternoon of Sunday, November 13, at the Council Home.

Members and their families donated 79 pints of blood. We would like at this time to extend a personal thanks to all donors for their cooperation in making this Blood Bank a huge success. The program was directed by Fraternal Activities Chairman Andy Tobia and Brother Eugene Ecklund.

Dr. Frederick G. Haid of Union, director of the Eastern Blood Bank, was in charge of the blood donors. Thanks again, Dr. Haid.

The donors were served dinners prepared by our worthy cook, Walter Holderline. Many thanks to you, Walter, and your fine kitchen crew.

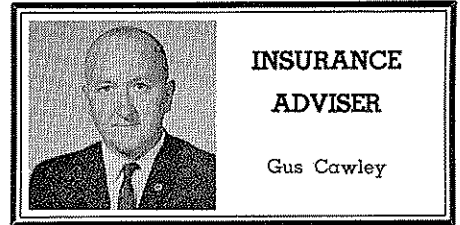
## Prayers Requested

Your prayers are requested for the souls of the following:

MOTHER OF JOHN BALOG  
MOTHER OF JOHN COLONEY  
and a speedy recovery for those who are ill:

EDWARD KLEISSLER  
JIM CONNELL  
EDWARD POWLASKI  
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If you know of the death or illness of a Brother Knight or a member of his family please notify immediately Fraternal Activities Chairman:  
ANDY TOBIA MU 7-9348



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Gus Cawley, our insurance representative, recently moved into Union with his wife, Margaret, and is a member of our Council. As a brother Knight he is steeped in Columbianism and has researched the entire history of our Order. As a representative for the Knights of Columbus, he now ranks among the top 10% in the Nation. Gus will be happy to review your present insurance, and show you the complete Knights of Columbus insurance program. Call him at

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## Let's Be Good Sports About It

Tickets are now available for the Seton Hall vs. Boston College basketball game. This game will be played at the South Orange Gym on Saturday, December 17, 1966. Reserved seats are \$2.50 per person. If any member so desires to attend this basketball game please contact Marty Farrell at FL 1-3118 or see Herby at Kay's Hardware Store. While on the subject of sports may I make a reminder that the Friday Night 8 Ball Tourney has started. All players are obliged to appear at the Club House on Friday nights to insure success of the tourney.

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