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The largest single Fraternal project ever undertaken by Union Council is about to begin.

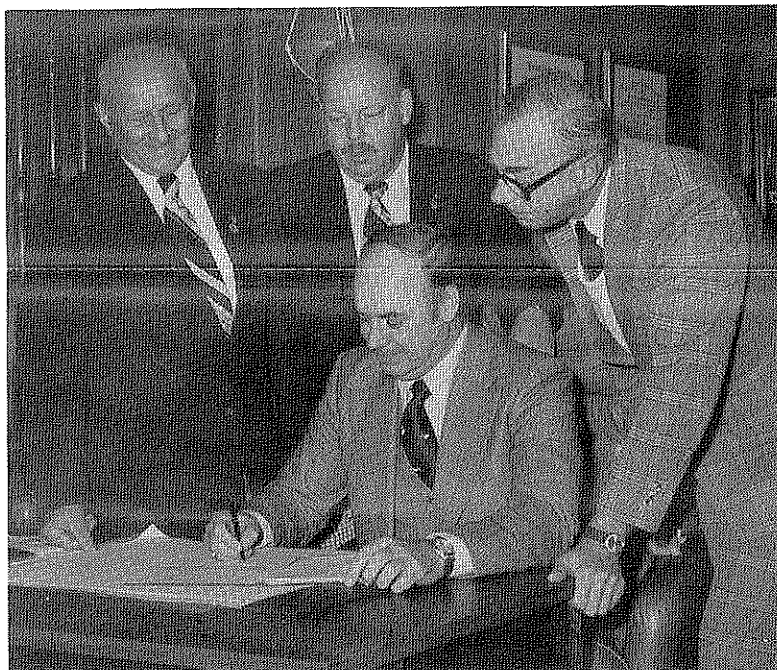
All the preliminary preparations are complete for the 55th National, Knights of Columbus, Bowling Tournament. We **Need Our Workers**, to bring this event to a successful conclusion.

This project is important to Union Council because, it will enhance the brotherhood between our fellow Knights, as experienced in the State Bowling Tournament hosted by us in 1976. This time we will be extending our hospitality beyond the state of New Jersey. NOW is the time to put our best foot forward and extend our warmest welcome to our guests.

As stated in the January Digest, many position have to be filled. There is place for everyone to use their individual talents. If you can keep score, sell chances, welcome our visitors, help prepare or serve food, or any other helpful aspect please contact one of our chairmen, Andy Popp, P.G.K. or Grand Knight, Julius Kiss. It is easy to become a member of **NOW**.

The official opening of this Bowling Tournament will be on Saturday, March 15, 1980 at Hy-Way Bowl, Route 22, Union, New Jersey. The program for the day is scheduled as follows:

- 12:30 P.M. Opening Ceremonies
- 1:00 P.M. Tournament Competition
- 5:30 P.M. Mass (St. Michael's Church)
- 6:30 P.M. Cocktails (Union Council)
- 7:30 P.M. Dinner Banquet
- 9:00 P.M. Dancing until 1:00 A.M.



Signing Final Bowling Contracts

Standing left-right Milford Trojan, National Secretary; Julius Kiss, Grand Knight; Jim Schaffer, Chamber of Commerce and Andrew Popp, P.G.K. Tournament Director.

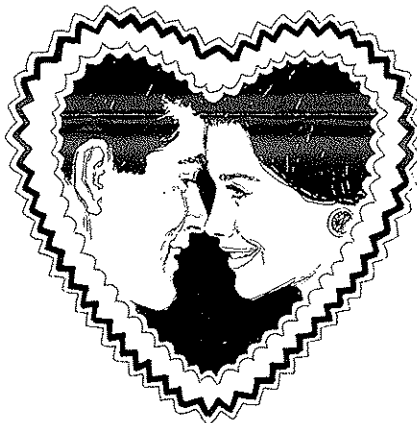
All Brother Knights and their guests are invited to attend the opening ceremonies and banquet. The cost of the banquet will be \$17.50 per person. Your attendance at the Mann and banquet can be the beginning of your support. This Tournament, in addition to creating goodwill and advancement of Columbianism, can provide a considerable monetary gain for the support of future projects.

The work of your committee over the last three years for this event can only show positive results through the support of each member taking part in this project. We **Need Our Workers** "NOW".

Bowlers Wanted

If you are a bowler and would like to bowl in the National Tournament, **Now is the time!** This is a 100% handicap tournament and any Knight can enter. We are presently making up teams. For information call:

Henry Mey — 687-1249



Valentine Day Dance February 16, 1980

Proceeds to Sr. Ann Dominic
for

Camp Fatima

Refreshments

Dancing

Beer & Soda

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Call

Mr. Capp — 964-3143

Reservations

OPEN YOUR HEARTS

In Memoriam

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OF THE SOUL OF OUR
BROTHER

ANDREW J. KNOX

JAN. 2, 1980

ROBERT J. SIEBEN

JAN. 3, 1980

Knights Bingo

Saturday, Feb. 23, 1980

Boys and Girls Club of Union

Come out for a night of fun and help support your Council. Ladies needed to help in Kitchen. Please contact Ken Pinney — 686-5650.

Volley Ball League Men and Women

An Organizational Meeting for the C.S.C. Volley Ball League was held on January 30, 1980. Applications by qualified teams are still being accepted. To participate a group must enter as a **TEAM**. To be a Captain of a Men's team you must be a Member of Knights of Columbus, Union Council 4504. To be a Captain of a Women's Team you must be a **CLOSE RELATIVE** of a Member of Union Council 4504, and at least 18 years of age. Players on both men and women's teams must be 16 years of age by June 1, 1980. A **CLOSE RELATIVE** is defined as a **FATHER, HUSBAND OR BROTHER**. Any questions may be directed to Art Reinhard at 688-6931. (Note: All Team members must be either Members of Union Council 4504 or **CLOSE RELATIVES**)

Art Reinhard

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. Council Officers
 2nd & 4th Mon. Regular Meetings
 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

Annual Spelling Bee

On Sunday, February 24th the Knights will hold its annual Spelling Bee.

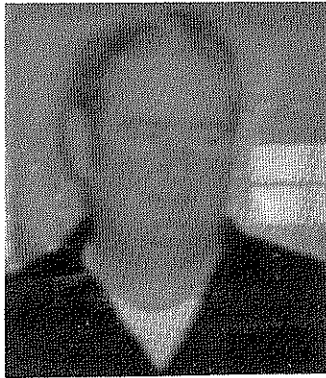
All qualified eighth grade students are eligible to participate.

The contest will be held in our Council Hall at 2:30 p.m.

Winners will then proceed to the county spell-off in March and winners of the county Spelling Bee will go to the state championship Spelling Bee held in April.

Mike Ward
 Youth Activities Dir.

Knight of the Month December 1979



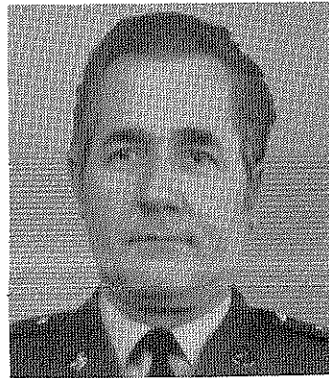
REGIS J. CONNORS

The selection of Regis as Knight of the Month is not only well deserved but long overdue. A third Degree member since June, 1955, Regis has donated blood to the Council Blood Bank every year since its inception. The greatest gift is love and no finer expression of love can be shown than to give one's precious blood to a person in need.

Regis and his wife Marion are residents of Union and are the proud parents of eight children ranging in ages from 7 to 25. They are communicants of Holy Spirit Church. Regis has been employed by the J & J Distributing Company, Millburn for 14 years. He is also a member of the Hibernian Club of Elizabeth.

Our Council is proud to present the honor of Knight of the Month to brother Regis J. Connors.

Knight of the Month January 1980



EDWARD M. ROCCO

The designation of Knight of the Month for January is awarded to Ed Rocco. A brother of our Council for six years, he has become a quiet contributor to our Council affairs by giving of his time and talents behind the kitchen door. Ed has helped prepare and serve the food we enjoyed at our Communion breakfast and on many other occasions.

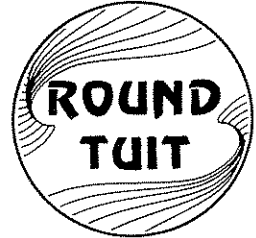
Ed is employed as a carpenter for the past twelve years with the Stevens Contracting Company, Newark and has retired from the New Jersey National Guard with the rank of Sergeant Major after thirty years of service.

Ed and his wife Marcy reside in Union with their son, Dean and are members of St. Joseph's Parish, Maplewood.

We are pleased to have brother Ed Rocco added to the distinguished group of members previously honored as Knight of the Month.

Grand Knights Column

Julius Kiss



Above, I have supplied you with your own personal "ROUND TUIT." Cut it out and keep it. Guard it with your life. Never lose it. And make certain you don't let anyone take it away from you. The "TUIT" is quite unique and difficult to procure, especially round ones. But now, through this special printing, you can have your very own "ROUND TUIT." Through receipt of this issue of the Knights Digest, over 1300 council members are the owners of the "ROUND TUIT." Many council problems should be solved and the outlook for the future should be most prosperous.

For you see, many members have said, "I would like to attend a council meeting but I just can't seem to get a "ROUND TUIT." (Pronounced: around to it.) Others have said, "I know I should try to help and I will as soon as I can get a "ROUND TUIT." Still others have said, "I know I should be more involved in council activities and functions but I never seem to get a "ROUND TUIT." Some have even said, "I've been wanting to support my council by proposing a new member, but I've been so busy that I haven't gotten a "ROUND TUIT."

However, all that is now in the past. You have no more excuses. In the coming months, the chairmen are once again providing you with a variety of events from which to select. To mention just a few: The Valentine's Dance for the benefit of the Camp Fatima children; the Knights of Columbus Bingo, held at the Boys and Girls Club for the purpose of funding our charitable works; our continuing Sacred Heart devotions on each First Friday of the month; the various youth, church and council activities; and the biggest event of this year for which we will require cooperation and assistance from everyone — Our hosting of the Knights of Columbus National Bowling Association Tournament which opens March 15, 1980.

So, keep your digest calendar handy and there'll be noting "TUIT" but to "DUIT."

"Where good friends meet"

NICKAL'S VOUS II LOUNGE

1175 MAGIE AVENUE
 UNION, N. J. 07083

Nick Forte

Al Wollenton

"All One Family" Part I

1. The Dictionary of Sociology defines prejudice as "an attitude, usually emotional, acquired in advance of adequate evidence and experience." It represents a pre-conceived judgment towards persons, beliefs or objects, thinking ill of others without sufficient warrant — something like rash judgment. The individual is not born with prejudices any more than he is born with a knowledge of mathematics or biology. The way a person thinks about others or other groups is at bottom the result of social indoctrination. These indoctrinations take a firm hold on an individual and sometimes remain with him throughout life.

2. During the early years, the child begins his life without prejudice and during the period before school seems almost incapable of displaying antipathies upon any particular group. The seeds of prejudice are nurtured in our homes, in our neighborhood and in our business, by our parents, by our friends and by our associates. In our formative years, many ideas are built up around us, especially our attitudes towards persons and certain groups of people. The child then learns, for example, that he belongs to a certain national group, that he is a member of a particular race, that he is a Protestant, a Catholic, a Jew. Attitudes are then acquired and formed.

3. Racism is the dividing of human beings into groups and then effecting discrimination against some of them. *Racial prejudice* usually deals with a particular individual, while racial discrimination tends to be directed at an entire race. In either of these categories of prejudices, race prejudice or racism, the position of the Catholic Church is clear — the practices are condemned.

According to Catholic teaching, man was created by Almighty God to His own image and likeness. The likeness of God is found in every man of whatever race or color or national origin he may be. All are one in their common origins. We are all children of the one Heavenly Father, as all are the children of our common first parents. All men have been created by the same God and Father and, therefore, all enjoy the same fundamental human dignity and rights. God makes no distinction because of race or national origin when He determines the eternal reward of a person and for that reason we are in no position to determine a person's dignity by his race or nationality.

4. Add to this reason, also, the fact that Christ died for all men, and that He has made Himself the Brother as well as the Savior of all men. We are, therefore, brothers also in Christ, and hence should treat each other as brothers.

Pope Pius XII summed this up as follows: "Widespread today is the forgetfulness of that law of human solidarity and charity which is dedicated and imposed by our common origin and by the equality of rational nature in all men, to whatever people they belong, and by the redeeming Sacrifice offered by Jesus Christ on the altar of the Cross to His Heavenly Father on behalf of sinful mankind."

Random Thoughts

We are all in favor of progress providing we can have it without change . . . If your outgo is greater than your income, then your upkeep will be your downfall . . . Love is blind — marriage is the eye opener . . . Our money has really lost its value in Europe. Yesterday a tourist three three coins in that famous fountain in Rome and got a ticket for littering . . . Behind every man is a woman trying to get his job . . . In the Bible Class for young children the pastor asked, "Now what do we mean by sins of omission?" Little Mary shot up her hand and answered "Those are the sins we should have committed but didn't" . . . In a bingo room — Doors open 7 p.m. Eyes down at 8 p.m. . . . Every man needs a wife, because sooner or later something goes wrong that you just can't blame on the government . . . When the Chinese do not have a word in their own language to describe something purely occidental, they adapt similar phonetic sounds. The word for martini, for example, is pronounced ma-ti ni, but it gains significance in Chinese. Ma-ti ni can be translated as "a horse kicked you" . . . They say guitar players always attract girls, but the truth is that banjo players always get their pick . . . Overheard on campus "I'll never depend on my parents again. I asked them to send me \$600 for an encyclopedia and they sent me the encyclopedia" . . . Nobody knows the age of the human race, but all agree that it is old enough to know better . . . The cemetery just raised the price of its burial plots and blamed it on the cost of living . . . A cruise does nothing for some people except to change the rings under their eyes from black to tan . . . A woman can remember a compliment a man paid her long after she has forgotten his name . . . Some people treat life like a slot machine trying to put in as little as possible and hoping to hit a jackpot. Wiser people think of life as a solid investment from which they receive in terms of what they put in . . . Woman to husband in football stadium "What gets me is, after fighting traffic for 20 miles, we cheer some guy for gaining 15 yards" . . . Take care of your pennies and the high cost of living will take care of your dollars.

Jim Moran P.G.K.

**WHEN YOU HEAR
GOD'S VOICE TODAY,
HARDEN NOT YOUR HEART!**
Vocations Are Everybody's Business.

5. We also quote from II Vatican Council (The Church in the Modern World): "True, all men are not alike from the point of view of varying physical powers and the diversity of intellectual and moral resources. Nevertheless, with respect to the fundamental rights of the person, every type of discrimination, whether social or cultural, whether based on sex, race, color, social condition, language or religion, is to be overcome and eradicated as contrary to God's intent."

(To Be Continued Next Month)

The Vision of Father McGivney

Many of our members do not know how our order was founded and the reasons behind its development. Some brothers know a few of the facts, but it can be to the benefit of all of us that we recall the original goals that started our fraternity. Pride in our order should result from recalling its history. This pride can serve as encouragement to work for future growth.

March 29, 1882 was a significant date in the annals of North American fraternal societies. It was the day on which the General Assembly of the state of Connecticut granted the charter of the Knights of Columbus "for the purpose of rendering mutual aid and assistance to its members and their families". It was also a glorious day in the life of a young Catholic priest, the Reverend Michael J. McGivney, curate of St. Mary's Parish in New Haven, Conn., for it marked the fulfillment of his dream to unite Catholic men in a society through which they might advance the ideals of their faith. Father McGivney called together in the parish rectory a small group of young men in whom he had confidence. He described the need for Catholic men to organize, and the many possibilities such organization offered. They all agreed with him that the time had come to launch a fraternal society founded upon the ideals and having the objectives suggested by the young priest. In general, the objectives were to provide a system of fraternal insurance to care for the widows and orphans of members, to provide fellowship among the members to aid the cause of religion, and to perform charitable, educational and patriotic works for the benefit of their fellow men and their nation. It was on February 6, 1882, the name Knights of Columbus was chosen and the decision made to apply to the state for a charter. The early officers and founders of the order felt in the preliminary meetings that the name should relate to the Catholic Discovered of America, to emphasize the fact that Catholics discovered, explored and colonized the North American continent. They agreed it should embody knightly ideals of service to church, country and fellowman. The purposes as written in the original charter were (A) to render financial aid to its members and beneficiaries of members. (B) to render mutual aid and assistance to its sick and disabled members. (C) promote such social and cultural intercourse among its members as shall be desirable and proper (D) promoting and conducting educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief work.

**KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTIANS:
WORK AND PRAY!**
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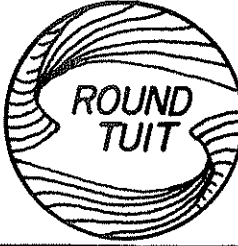

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IS FOR GROWN-UPS
LIKE YOU!**
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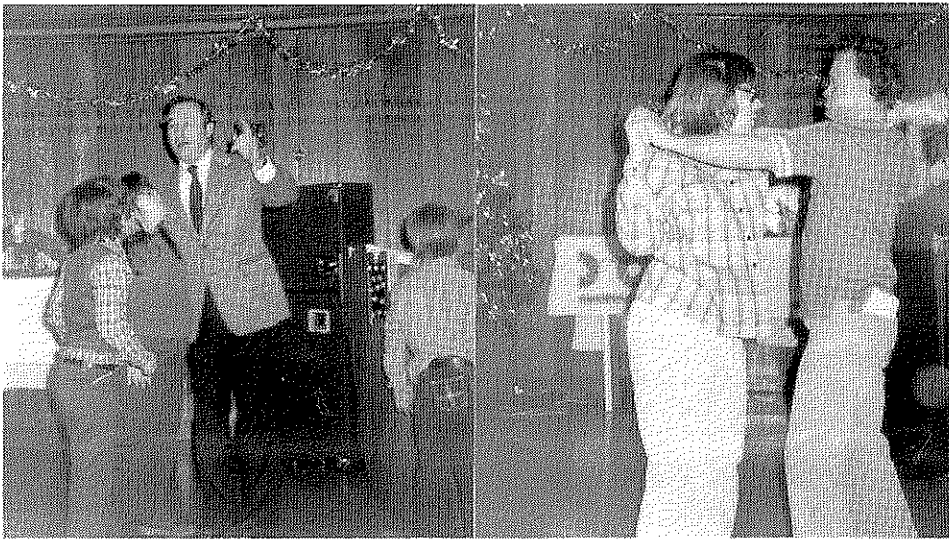
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Planning Calendar

Tel. 686-4504

SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	SAT.	
<p>PRAY FOR VOCATIONS</p> <p>SPONSOR A NEW MEMBER</p> <p>PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS</p>							
				<p>GET A</p> 			
					<p>1</p> <p>1st Friday C.D.A. & K of C Communion Supper Mass 7:30</p>	<p>2</p>	
<p>3</p> <p>St. Michael's Mass 12 Noon Our Lady of Guadalupe Devotions</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Officers Mtg 8:00</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	
<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Council Mtg 8:15</p>	<p>12</p> <p>LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>  <p>VALENTINE'S DAY</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Valentine's Dance Benefit of Camp Fatima</p>	
<p>17</p> <p>Cheerleader Contest Lincroft, N.J.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Federation Mtg 7:30 (ROSELLE PARK)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>K of C BINGO at Boys Club</p>	
<p>24</p> <p>8th Grade Spelling Bee 2 P.M. at Council</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Council Mtg 8:15 Program Dir. Mtg 7:00</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Col Club Mtg 8:00</p>	<p>29</p>		



During the Christmas Party for the handicapped children, sponsored by Camp Fatima, and held at our Council, Deputy Grand Knight Jim Johnson leads some of the children in the singing of Christmas Carols. "Disco Bill Patina" provided music which was enjoyed by the children.

Columbian Swim Club News

1. The Annual Columbian Swim Club Meeting for 1980 was held on January 18, 1980. This meeting will be reported on in the February 1980 Knights Digest.

2. Any Columbian Swim Club member who did not have an opportunity to attend the Annual Meeting may submit written criticisms, suggestions, or compliments to:

Columbian Swim Club
P. O. Box 1206
Union, N. J. 07083

3. The Annual Membership Fee of \$80.00 is due April 1, 1980. Failure to pay on time will result in a penalty.

4. A Member who wishes to "DROP OUT" of the Swim Club should notify membership chairman, Bill Taylor — 686-4504 of his intention as soon as possible. (Idea is to give prospective members earliest possible notification.)

5. The Pool Management Contract for the 1980 Columbian Swim Club Season has been awarded to Dennis Reinhard. Qualified applicants for Life Guard positions can contact Reinhard by calling 272-7429.

President Jack Kilian wishes to extend his personal thanks, and the Board of Governors thanks, to all who assisted him and the Board during the 1979 Columbian Swim Club Season.

Art Reinhard

Official

WASHINGTON — The following actions were taken at the quarterly meeting of the board of directors held here October 5-8, 1979:

Voted that a per capita tax of 50¢ be levied on the membership of the order in the United States as of January 1, 1980, to establish the Luke E. Hart Memorial Fund in accordance with the action of the Supreme Convention in August 1979.

Voted that the regular per capita tax of \$1.25 be levied on the members of the order as of January 1, 1980.

Richard B. Scheiber
Supreme Secretary

For everyone's information, the above mentioned 50 cents per capita tax represents an additional one time charge to our council of approximately \$665.00, which brings the total half-year charge for Supreme Per Capita Tax to approximately \$2,2350.00.

Julius J. Kiss
Grand Knight

The Pope Talks to Knights

During the visit of Pope John Paul II to the United States a few months ago, he had a private audience at the Apostolic Delegation in Washington, D.C., for the Supreme Knight, his officers and directors. The Holy Father joked about the size of our organization. He took note of the order's membership of 1.3 million, and a total of some 5 million if wives and children are included. The Pope remarked that the Knights of Columbus indeed form a "nation" and should be entitled to their own representation at the United Nations. During the audience the supreme knight reaffirmed the order's loyalty to the Holy See and to the body of bishops and priests united with the pontiff. Pope John Paul replied, "It gives me great pleasure to be with you on the occasion of my pastoral visit to the United States. I thank you most sincerely for the respect and love which you have manifested towards me as successor of Peter, Bishop of Rome and pastor of the universal church." In praising the apostolic work carried on by the knights, he urged them to develop a deep spirituality "without which no one can truly evangelize", to trust in the power of life, a deep concern for truth and an ever increasing love for all God's children. Pope John Paul concluded his remarks to the knights with these words, "I am aware of the many efforts you make to promote the use of mass media for the spreading of the Gospel and for the wider diffusion of my own messages. May the Lord reward you, and through your efforts bring forth abundant fruits of evangelization in the church. May your dedicated activity in turn help you to realize in yourselves those interior attitudes without which no one can truly evangelize. May the Lord's blessing be upon you, your families and upon all the Knights of Columbus."

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**PRIESTS, BROTHERS, NUNS.
THEY NEED US.
WE NEED THEM.**

Vocations Are Everybody's Business.

Telephone

We mourn the passing of our Team Captain Bob Sieben who went to his eternal reward on January 3, 1980. May his soul and the souls of all our deceased brothers rest in peace.

Sub-captain Bill Heady will continue to handle Team #43 until we can assign a permanent captain. Please help us out, brothers. We are desperately in need of captains. The only work involved is about 10 telephone calls when a brother passes away. Won't you come to our aid? The least we can do for a departed brother is to have a representative showing at his wake but to do this we need your help. If you can bring yourself to do this work of mercy please call me at 688-7269 anytime.

Art Weber

Attention

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**Details to be posted
on the Council Bulletin Board**

**Call Lonny Pannucci — 763-0613
For information**

Family of the Month

Congratulations are extended to the families of Brother George Clark and Dominick Clementoni, P.G.K., for being selected Family of the Month for November and December, respectively.

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Wanted

The Columbian Swim Club is seeking "BID's" from qualified applicants for the position of GATE ATTENDANT for the 1980 Swim Club Season. Any responsible person 18 years of age or older may apply. Questions relevant to job content and manner of submitting a BID may be directed to Columbian Swim Club President Jack Kilian or Vince Iannuzzi by calling 686-4074.

Art Reinhard
688-6931