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THE ANNUAL RETARDED CITIZENS DRIVE APRIL 25th, 26th, 27th

my brothers and families

I don't think I have to tell you how important the retarded citizens drive is. It is our council's way of helping those who are not as fortunate as we are. All the money collected will be donated specifically to the retarded citizen, young and old alike.

I am asking all the members of our council to make a special effort to come out and spend an hour or more collecting money for this most worth while cause.

In the past our council has been greatly improving with the amount of money collected at our drives, but we are still far below what our council is capable of achieving.

There are many small councils which collect far greater amounts. This year, let us show the other councils that Union Council is not only the largest council in the state, but a council which practices what it preaches. I know I can depend on our council to come through this year and show the less fortunate that we really do care and want to help. Let us make this years drive the most successful ever, not for ourselves but for others.

For every person who goes out to collect, hot dogs and refreshments will be served. To show in a small way our appreciation.

Michael.J. Ward
Grand Knight

Camp Fatima Valentine Dance & Dinner

On Saturday, February 15th, the annual Valentine Dance and Dinner was held at our council hall.

The Valentine's Day setting was especially appropriate for the occasion which was held to benefit the charitable and loving deeds done by Camp Fatima for the physically and mentally handicapped of our state. Because of the efforts of our brother knights, this event realized a profit of \$3,200 which will be used by Sister Ann Domenic for the non-profit weekend program.

A succulent roast beef dinner was prepared and sewed by our renowned kitchen crew. In addition to this culinary delight, all 275 in attendance were treated to the big band music of the 21 piece Reeds, Rhythm and all That Brass orchestra.

Many thanks to Bob McArdle and all our brother knights who made this event both enjoyable and successful.



Pictured at the Camp Fatima Valentine Dance & Dinner are from l. to r. Tom McGarvey, Bob McArdle, Sr. Ann Domenic, Al Mench, Mike Ward, and Bob Hillock.

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NOTICE

If you know of any Brother Knight who does not receive the Bulletin please have him call:

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DIRECTORS' POSITION AVAILABLE

There is an opening on the Board of Directors of the Columbian Club. If you are interested in filling this unexpired vacancy please contact Joe Tortora by April 11.

TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY

On Sunday, April 27 at 9 a.m. we will go on a deluxe chartered bus to the newest casino in Atlantic City — TRUMPS CASTLE. You will receive a \$20 package that consists of \$12 in coins; \$3 for a food coupon and a \$5 deferred coupon. Your cost is \$17. Money must be turned in with reservations. Contact Joe Tortora 688-1422.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

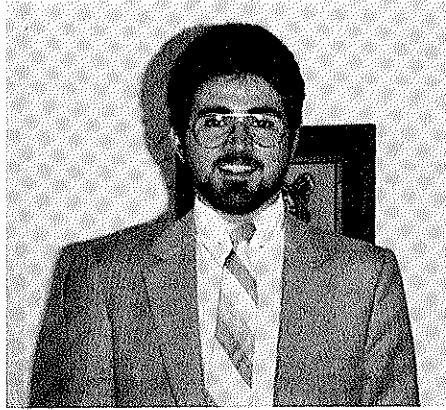
April

4 1st Friday 7:30 p.m.
14 K of C Jackets measured
7:30 p.m.
19 NIGHT AT RACES 7:30
26 Golf Outing
27 Atlantic City

May

2 1st Friday 7:30 p.m.
Catholic Daughters Dinner
4 May Crowning
16 Youth Awards Dinner

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH APRIL 1986 TIMOTHY T. O'SHEA



Tim and his wife, Denise have resided in Union for the past five years and are communicants of Saint Michael's Church. They have a twenty-two month old son named Timothy Thomas II.

Tim O'Shea has been employed by Bell Labs for the last six years as a computer system analyst. He graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science from Saint Peters College in Jersey City and later completed studies for a Masters in Business Administration from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

Tim enjoys coin collecting, video taping, sports and his garden which happens to be one of the finest in Union.

On the Council level, Tim has participated in work parties, Rose Sunday sales, and he volunteered the entire weekend for the Mentally Retarded Drive last May.

Tim is responsible for putting together the Knight Digest each month and his dedication to this work has helped make the Digest its professional best this year.

Union Council is fortunate to have this dedicated and talented Brother Knight, and is, therefore, proud to honor him as Knight of the Month for April, 1986.

NIGHT AT THE RACES ... AGAIN?

Due to the overwhelming request of our members we are going to bring the horses back to Union. They will be here on Saturday, April 19 at 7:30. If you have never attended this event this is your chance to see 10 exciting, colorful races on our Giant screen. For your \$2 admission ticket you will receive a mouth-watering Hero on a fresh-baked Italian roll. All night long you can have beer and soda; in addition coffee and dessert and snacks/surprises?

The last time we 'ran' the races the event was sold out. So, please get your tickets early, do not get shut out! All proceeds will go to the renovation of YOUR council home. See Joe Tortora for tickets.

ATTENTION

Anyone interested in submitting a bid for the Summer Snack Bar please contact Mike Herrighty at 686-0121.

WHAT IS THE FOURTH DEGREE?

1. It is the highest degree of our Order.
2. Our principle is Patriotism, Love of our Flag, our Country, our National Anthem, our Constitution and Bill of Rights. The greatest of these is Freedom.

3. The Fourth Degree Color Corps is composed of a group of volunteer men who give their time and themselves to show others that the Knights of Columbus, Catholic Men, are doing their part for Holy Mother Church, our Country and our fellow man.

4. Our involvement in the Special Olympics consists of time spent with those less fortunate than us to help make their day and life a little brighter, a little happier and the self-satisfaction of seeing the smile on their faces that you help to bring about.

5. The Ceremonial, where you learn the importance of religion as regards our government, how Catholics began working with the first settlers, have shown their courage and leadership, and about our holy Priests who gave their love and life to bring the word of God to the natives.

To be eligible for membership in the Fourth Degree, the applicant must be: Over eighteen years of age, a citizen of the country in which he resides, a Third Degree member in good standing in his Council, and initiated in the First Degree at least twelve months prior to his initiation in the Fourth Degree.

The next Exemplification of the Fourth Degree will be held on Sunday, May 4th at the Trinity Council in Hackensack, to be followed immediately with a reception at the Imperial Manor in Paramus. For additional information or applications, please call Wesley Czap at 964-0429.

A NOTE OF THANKS

On behalf of the officers of the council and the Columbian Club, we would like to extend our thanks to all who attended the Irish night. It was a tremendous success due to the hard work of everyone on the committee. I want to express my appreciation to Mike Herrighty who was the chairman for that evening. I sincerely thank everyone who helped, and freely gave of their time to make that night totally enjoyable for everyone.

Attendance at all the affairs has been unbelievable. I want to take this opportunity to also commend everyone who attends our affairs. Without your support the progress we are making with the modernizing of our kitchen and future plans for our hall would not be possible.

Michael J. Ward
Grand Knight

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**Chaplain's
Corner**
Rev. Methodius Kushko

Perhaps there is no Sunday in the year when the priest is so apt to miss the mark (I was going to say "lay an egg" but I was afraid that some might think it was being sacriligious), as on Easter Sunday. Likewise, writing a column for the Easter minded can be trying because of the varied needs of our readers. It is not the matter as what-do-you say. I know what to say — but how?

To do justice to the mystery of Easter joy with the stale words of human speech is rather difficult. This is so not only because every mystery of the Gospel penetrates only with difficulty into the narrow confines of human life — thereby making it even harder for our words to grasp and contain and express these mysteries — but because the Easter message is the most human tidings of Christianity. That is why we find it the most difficult message to understand. For what is most true, most obvious, and most easy, is the most difficult to be, to do, and to believe. That is to say, modern man bases his life on the unexpressed, and therefore all the more self-evident, and therefore all the more self-evident, prejudice that anything "religious" is merely an affair of the most interior heart and of the loftiest spirit — something that we must bring about by ourselves, something that involves the difficulties and unreality of the heart's thoughts and moods.

But Easter tells us that God has done something. God himself has done something. And his action has not merely and gently touched the heart of a man here and there so that he trembles slightly from an ineffable and nameless someone. God has raised his Son from the dead. Yes, His Son, Jesus, willingly accepted to die on the Cross, for the sins of mankind. He literally emptied himself per our sake, for us. He taught all humanity how to forgive one's enemies; He taught us how to forgive-and thereby He won the Gentile world to Christinaity. Yes, God has quickened the flesh. God has conquered death. Jesus has conquered death and He did this on the home ground, home town of Satan. Yes, he defeated the devil on his home territory. How? Upon his resurrection he ascended into Hades and Satan did not know who the resurrected Jesus was because he has knowledge, but not all the knowledge. Only God possesses all the knowledge. So when Jesus appeared his power and glory broke the bondage of sin that existed between him and humanity. This is what we mean — that Jesus conquered death. Now we are free!

I wish my Brother Knights the peace and joy that only Jesus can give you in abundance. ;Christ is rise Christos Voskres!

At the First Friday, April 4, 1986, the guest speaker will be the Honorable Matthew J. Rinaldo. Mass will be at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

K of C INSURANCE

Manufacturers Hanover Trust announced recently that all Finance One Master Card holders are eligible for a group term life insurance plan, underwritten by National Benefit Life Insurance Company. They state that it is group protection with low rates, made possible by combining the buying power of Finance One Master Card cardholders.

Also last month American Express offered a wonderful deal, term insurance from Fireman's Fund, to holders of the American Express Card. They went on to say that "Fireman's Fund saves money by processing many applications at the same time. this cuts the amount you need to pay for the insurance. This is term insurance. It's the lowest cost life insurance. pure insurance. No frills. It gives you the most insurance for your dollar. You buy this insurance entirely through the mail."

The aforementioned data is absolutely incorrect, as proved in the following comparison. This is traditional baloney, coming from two of the largest financial institutions in the world.

An analysis shows that over a period of time, American Express Credit Card holders and Finance One Master Card buyers pay in excess of 40% more than those who bothered to shop with a Knights of Columbus Agent.

COMPARISON:

AGE: 45-70	
FACE AMOUNT: \$100,000	
COST:	
AMEX FIREMAN'S FUND	\$47,519
MANU. HANOVER TRUST	\$44,778
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	\$32,088

INSURANCE UPDATE

Insurance costs have skyrocketed in New Jersey and Union Council has been hit hard. Total insurance coverage for fire, general liability, liquor law liability, etc. for the Council facilities cost \$2,538 in 1984 and will cost \$15,000 in 1986. That's a 600% increase and it appears that these type of increases may continue.

Operating income to fund these high costs is simply not available. In order to pay the bill for 1986, the Council, Columbian Club and Swim Club withdrew \$5000 each from their respective savings accounts.

The three clubs have joined forces to address this problem for 1987. A committee was formed to investigate methods to reduce costs if possible and evaluate the feasibility of running (a) fundraiser(s) to cover or at least offset insurance costs.

More information will be forthcoming in a future Digest issue.

Tom McGarvey DGK

Dinner Rescheduled

The First Friday Dinner which was to be held in February in conjunction with the Catholic Daughters of Union has been rescheduled for May 2, 1986. All tickets will be honored. Anyone holding tickets who cannot participate see Don Muller or Barney Capriglione.

TELEPHONE

We have a new captain — brother Bob Taylor of Jacoby Street, Maplewood. He has been assigned to Team #23. Thank you Bob for your willingness to serve on this committee. We seem to be holding our own insofar as coverage of brothers residing in Union are concerned. However, it would be nice to have 1 or 2 extra names in reserve, just in case we have an unexpected opening. Then, too, there are quite a few new members being added to the roster. Think about that and then call and tell me you want to be a part of this great committee.

Art Weber
688-7269

K of C JACKETS

Gorga Athletics will be at our Council hall on Monday, April 14th between 7:30 and 8:15 p.m. to take measurements for jackets. spring jackets are priced at \$27 each and winter jackets are \$33 each. Jackets will be ready within 6-7 weeks.

GOLF ANYONE?

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MARCH 1986

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- H. St. Laurent

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| G. Arnold | Fraser |
| Fr. Kushko | R. Schur |
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