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Columbus Activities

As our social event for Columbus Week there will be a recorded dance on Friday Nite, October 14th, from 8:30 to 12:30. The cost is \$6.00 per couple to include beer, cheese and crackers and dancing. The bar will be open from 9:00 to midnight. For reservations contact William Patania.

On Columbus Day, October 9th, there will be a ceremony at 4 p.m. at Columbus Park, Green Lane. Congressman Matthew Rinaldo will be the speaker. A dinner-dance will follow at the Elks Club starting at 7 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Nino Rossano. Tickets are available thru Barney Capriglione at \$12.50 per person. Call 964-3143.

Halloween Dance

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29th

9 o'clock

\$12.00 per couple

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687-9381

Bingo

Dear Brother Knights,

I would like to take this means of communication to thank all of you who planned, worked and supported this bingo.

As you know by now this was a very rewarding effort in many ways.

I would like to thank the officers of the council who gave permission to run the bingo. In addition to our expenses, we had to borrow \$750.00 to open the doors for this affair. A thank you is in order for twenty-two men who gave their time and efforts to make this a smooth and orderly bingo. This was for almost all of the men their first bingo they had ever worked and work they did! It was a job well done. Last but not least I must thank all of my brother knights, their wives, friends and neighbors who came to this bingo. There is no doubt in my mind that because of this wonderful showing of support that we were able to raise exactly \$1,013.00. Part of this money is being used for the flood victims in Pennsylvania. On September 12, 1977 a check for \$50.00 was donated to the Cancer Society.

Any success is collective of individual successes, so each one of you personally contributed to each of the charities that will benefit from our efforts.

Once again, for all your help and support, I thank you.

Al Falcetano

First Friday

Did you know that when Jesus appeared to Saint Margaret Mary Aloccoque in the 17th century that He made 12 promises? In order to increase devotion to His Sacred Heart, Our Lord outlined a number of rewards for the faithful, each one a spiritual treasure in itself. The one most pertinent to our first Friday series is this:

"I will grant the grace of final repentance to all who shall communicate on the first Friday, nine months consecutively. They shall not die in mortal sin, nor without having received the Last Sacraments, for My divine Heart will become their secure refuge at that last moment. Those who worthily receive my body and blood on nine consecutive first Fridays will receive my special help at the moment of death."

Under these conditions it is amazing that churches all over the world are not filled to overflowing on the first Fridays. What a small price to pay for such a tremendous gift of God!

You, as members, and your families, friends, relatives and neighbors, have an excellent opportunity to take full advantage of this gift from heaven by attending the Chaplain's First Friday Series at the Council Home. The next session is on October 7, beginning with Mass at 8:00 p.m. After the usual coffee break we will hear from Father Edward Thompson. He talk will be on 'Alpha and Theta as a Means to Relaxation, Healing and God'. This sounds like a thought provoking topic so please join us.

Swim Club

The season is over and the pool has been winterized once again. Now the long wait through the cold winter months until the spring ushers in the warm sun once again. President Jack Kilian on behalf of the Board of Directors wishes to thank all who have assisted during and after the recent season in making our swim club among the best in the area. The next date of importance for swim club members to remember are the 3rd Friday in January, the annual meeting and the 4th Saturday in January, the annual dance. If you have any suggestions in the meantime please put them in writing and mail to Columbian Swim Club, Box 1206, Union, N.J. 07083.

Anyone wishing to have his name placed on the waiting list for membership in the pool, please send your name, address and telephone number to Box 1206 accompanied by a check for \$2.00 made out to Columbian Swim Club. It must be mailed since the post mark determines the date your name is recorded on the list. Please be advised that only 3rd degree members may be admitted to swim club membership.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

ESSAY CONTEST

The New Jersey Council of the Knights of Columbus will sponsor an essay contest for all students presently enrolled in New Jersey schools, grades 7 thru 12. Each essay will start with the title "IF I WERE PRESIDENT". All essays must be submitted to the Knights of Columbus Council by October 15, 1977. The following rules must be adhered to:

1. Type in double space or write legibly;

2. Total number of words to be noted at the end of the essay;

3. Author to give full name, age, address, phone number, class and parents full name;

4. Essays cannot be returned.

The two (2) best essays will be forwarded to the district deputy along with a small award to be given to the winning authors. There will also be regional and state wide awards.

CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY

The annual children's Halloween Party will be held on Sunday, October 30, 1977 from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be refreshments, costume contests and other games. All children are welcome.

BASKETBALL FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

The Knights of Columbus will again sponsor a basketball free throw contest. It is open to all boys and girls, ages 11 thru 14. This contest will begin on Tuesday, November 15th, 1977. All final details of this program will be in the next edition of the newsletter.

Retreat Time

The refreshing thing about going on the council's annual retreat is it's a release from the daily grind. You are away from business problems, home and family worries. You are free to think with nobody butting in. You'll enjoy three full meals a day, a modern resort atmosphere, an ocean location and friendly, understanding Redemptorist Fathers. When you make a retreat you will find it very much in the spirit of Vatican II. You are not locked into days of regimented prayer (all the exercises are optional). No one tries to ram religion down your throat. You will hear some thoughtprovoking talks from the retreat priests. How involved you get is up to you. You set your own pace in meditating. At the end of your retreat you will come away with such a feeling of exhilaration and inner joy and peace that you will be aware that CHRIST is with you and in you. Join some of your brothers on the weekend of October 21, 22, 23 at the San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch. For information and/or ticket reservations contact Church Activities Director Art Weber — 688-7269 or Retreat Captain Jim Moran, P.G.K. — 687-0566.

Grand Knights Column

Ken Pinney



CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS

The theme of my last message was "help". Much help was needed to close the pool; to help with the preparations and work chores for the family picnic; to assist Vince Iannuzzi and his committee in the various social functions planned this year; to step forth and volunteer your services to the many activities chairmen.

Some help was forthcoming but not nearly enough. With 1200 plus members in our council, I'm sure that all of us can devote one or two hours periodically to assist in the various tasks and programs.

Thanks to all those members who volunteered their services to assist in the aforementioned jobs.

Congratulations to Father Ed Swierzbinski on his first program in the First Friday Series. A well-planned, informative, and spiritually moving talk was delivered by His Excellency, Bishop Costello. His topic was "Growth and Spirituality". Ninety-three brothers and their wives attended. We have room for many more. Will I see you on October 7, the second program in our series? **Congratulations**, also to you, Art Weber, for your efforts as Catholic Activities Chairman—a job well done.

Special **congratulations** go to Al Falcetano for organizing our first Bingo at the Boys Club. He and his work force did an outstanding job and because of their efforts it was a tremendous success financially.

Thanks to Wayne Williams and John Killian for running two enjoyable bus rides to Yankee Stadium and the Meadowlands. I'm sure every one who attended had a good time.

October is going to be a very busy month at #4504. Starting with Columbus week Oct. 9-16, many activities have been planned.

An 8:30 Corporate Mass at Holy Spirit starts the week on Oct. 9. We, at 4504, are offering a Spiritual Bouquet for Monsignor Beck, our State Chaplain, in honor of his 10th year in this capacity. All brothers and their families are urged to attend. Coffee and Danish will be served at the Council after Mass.

Union Council will also participate in the Columbus Day Ceremony at Columbus Park on Sun., Oct. 9 at 4:00 p.m. Yours truly will serve as Master of Ceremonies.

Don't forget the Blood Drive on Sun., Oct. 30 from 11 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Let's make this a successful event by donating 100 pints or more.

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Knight of the Month



AL FALCETANO

Al has been chosen as the Knight of the Month for October because of his outstanding efforts, culminating with the bingo night on Saturday, August 27th. The months of preparation and organizing of facilities and workers (he began preparing in March) was grueling but Al's work was richly rewarded by the overwhelming turnout which netted the Knights of Columbus over \$1,000, much of which will go to various charities the council sponsors.

Al joined the council in 1975 and showed his interest through helping with the youth free throw tournament and the Tootsie Roll collections in the rain.

Because of his efforts, including one of the most financially successful functions in the history of Union Council 4504, we honor Al Falcetano as our Knight of the Month.

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Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Edward M. Swierzbinski

Many liked the article on marriage last year so here is another bit on marriage. The author is anonymous.

THE ART OF MARRIAGE

A good marriage must be created. In the marriage the little things are the big things . . .

It is never being too old to hold hands.

It is remembering to say "I love you" at least once a day.

It is never going to sleep angry. It is having a mutual sense of values and common objectives.

It is standing together facing the world.

It is forming a circle of love that gathers in the whole family.

It is speaking words of appreciation and demonstrating gratitude in thoughtful ways.

It is having the capacity to forgive and forget.

It is giving each other an atmosphere in which each can grow.

It is a common search for the good and the beautiful.

It is not only marrying the right person—

It is being the right partner.

You can help the art of marriage thru prayer. Bring your partner to the First Fridays. Come, share, love one another!

Cribbage Anyone?

Grand Knight Ken Pinney has suggested a cribbage tournament for the fall. Initially this would be a singles match-up, with the possibility of a doubles tournament to follow. Anyone interested please contact Marty Farrell or Bill Taylor at the council home. Details will follow when enough players have signed up.

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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
- 1st Fri. Chaplain's Night

Calendar of Events

- Oct. 7 First Friday
- Oct. 9-15 Columbus Week
- Oct. 10 First Degree
- Oct. 14 Dance Lessons
- Oct. 16 Wheelchair-Runnels
- Oct. 16 Golf Tournament
- Oct. 21-22-23 Annual Retreat
- Oct. 29 Halloween Dance
- Oct. 30 Blood Bank
- Nov. 12 Wheelchair Basketball

Advertiser Needed

Columbian Swim Club

The Columbian Club Swim Team of the Knights of Columbus #4504, Union, New, Jersey, has completed its 1977 swim team season.

The team, under the supervision of Margo Hutchinson, assisted by Marty Farrell, captured first place in the dual meet race with a record of five wins and one loss. The Relay Carnival was won by a decisive twenty-point margin.

The Columbian Club swimmers came in second place in the individual championship races.

A pizza party was held on Saturday, August 27, 1977, at the Knights of Columbus picnic area for all swim team members, timers, judges, starters and all behind the scene personnel who helped make the season a successful one. Trophies were awarded to all members of the swim team.



The swim team includes the following:

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| Mary Ellen Mench | Gerard Sinnott |
| Mary Beth Farrell | Danny Sinnott |
| Erin Byrne | Mary McKeown |
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| Ann Farrell | Susan Ammiano |
| Joan Migliara | Joanne Renner |
| Margaret Rock | Lori Ann Sully |
| Jim Durso | |

Blood Bank

Our Council's Annual Blood Drive will be held on Sunday, October 30, 1977, at the Council Hall. Medical personnel from the **New Jersey Blood Services Program** will officiate and will accept blood donations between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on this date. Refreshments will be served.

Council 4504 has participated in this excellent blood service program for several years. As a result of our participation each member of the Knights and all members of his immediate family, up to and including grandparents on both sides, are guaranteed an unlimited supply of blood free of charge should such a need arise. This supply is guaranteed to the member or his family regardless of whether or not he or his family actually donated. In exchange for this invaluable guarantee, we are asked to conduct a blood drive once a year.

Our support and the support of groups similar to ours is vital if this program is to continue. There is no substitute for blood. The human body is the only "manufacturer" of this precious fluid — literally, the "Liquid of Life". All of the money or insurance in the world is valueless if the right type of blood is not available in an emergency or when needed for surgery. You cannot transfuse dollars. Whole blood is perishable and it must be transferred within 21 days after it is drawn. We all have to do our part, therefore, to assure that this supply is maintained.

Help us make this year's Blood Drive a **SUCCESS**. Donate a pint of blood on October 30, 1977. If you have any questions concerning the blood drive or about obtaining blood credit, please contact John J. Guidera — 688-0582.

Athletic News & Events

The New York Yankee-Texas Ranger game that almost 50 of us attended on August 26th was a complete success. Not only was the weather perfect for a ballgame, but the Yankees themselves responded to the occasion with a come from behind 6 to 5 victory. Texas started the scoring early and at one point led 5 to 1. But, some timely late inning base hits produced 5 Yankee runs and an exciting win.

We hope the response to future events is accepted as enthusiastically as the Yankee game was.

Plans are in the works now for an excursion to Madison Square Garden within the next month or so to see either a New York Knick Basketball game or a New York Ranger Hockey game. Again I remind all brother Knights to check the Digest and also the Bulletin Board at the Council for exact information pertaining to these events.

Wayne Williams
Athletic Chairman



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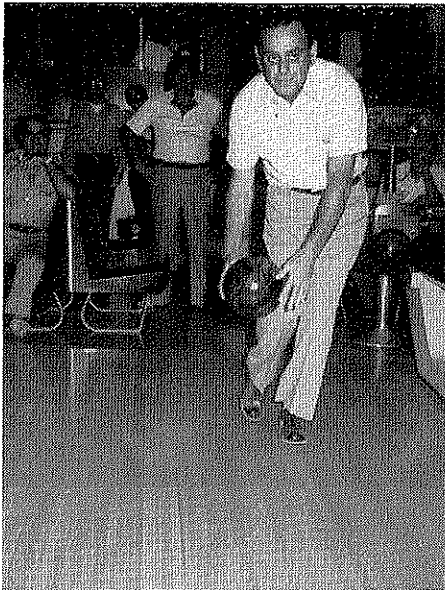
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Grand Knight Ken Pinney initiates K of C Bowling League with a strike. League began Sept. 6th.

'50's Trivia

- (1) What was the name of Bachelor Father's niece?
- (2) Who was the rich kid on Dobie Gillis?
- (3) Who was Bilko's commanding officer?
- (4) Where did Ed Norton work?
- (5) Who was Pete's wife on December Bride?
- (6) Who was Riley's neighbor in Life of Riley?
- (7) Who was Clark Kent's boss?
- (8) Who was Gracie Allen's neighbor and best friend?
- (9) What was Lumpy Rutherford's proper name on Leave It to Beaver?
- (10) Who was the announcer on You Bet Your Life?
- (11) What was Bob's secretary's name on Love That Bob?
- (12) Who was Cosmo Topper's boss?
- (13) Say kids, what time is it?
- (14) Who was the original star of Life of Riley?
- (15) What was the theme song of Blackboard Jungle?
- (16) What obscure New York lounge had a dance named after it?
- (17) Who was the star of Super Circus?
- (18) Who starred as the leader of the revial motorcycle gang in "The Wild One"?
- (19) When NBC introduced color, what was its symbol?

Answers are on page 5.

Memories

Prior to the September 22, 1958 regular meeting G. K. Howard Leary introduced the officers of Court 1360 Immaculate Heart of Mary, Catholic Daughters of America who presented a large crucifix to the council in memory of Florence Valladares the deceased wife of our first financial secretary. Mrs. Alice Berry, Grand Regent of the Court addressed the council and read a passage on the meaning and symbolism of the crucifix as an inspiration to our council. (This crucifix still adorns the wall of our meeting hall). Mrs. Berry introduced Evelyn Owens, Vice Grand Regent and Sheila Librizzi, Sentinell.

A brief recess was called and was followed by the installation of officers by District Depty Frank Jackiewicz. He was assisted by D. D'Austin Tryon, John Sturdivant G. K. of Kenilworth Council and George Kodrowski, Treasurer of Assumption Council of Roselle Park. Bennie Godesky and Frank Saake of Union Council also assisted in the ceremony. The following officers were installed: G. K. Howard Leary, D.G.K. John Zimmerman, Chancellor George Arnold, Fin. Secy. Alvin Dietlein, Recorder Thomas Drogan, Warden Thomas Crimmins, Treasurer Wilbur Donnelly, Lecturer Joseph Milo, Advocate Weldon Arner, Inside Guard James Cappeto, Outside Guard Oscar Ernst and Trustees William Darrow, Joseph Gaynor and Charles Lynch, Sr.

Fraternal Activities Chairman Jim Confroy announced a bulletin board has been installed in the council to post the names of brothers who are ill.

Admissions Chairman Mario Henriques announced 53 applicants for membership had been interviewed to date and four had been rejected with two others to be investigated further. He admonished the members to be more careful in their selections for candidacy for membership to avoid embarrassment.

Chaplain Father Driscoll commended the newly elected officers for their fine appearance and praised the officers and members for their cooperation since the formation of the Council. He also gave a short discourse on the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. He quoted Pope Pious XII who said "The chief evil in the world today is the ignorance of religious truths." He asked the members to demonstrate their faith by marching in the Holy Name Parade.



The Bingo crew welcomes enthusiasts on August 27. The event netted \$1013.

Senior Citizens Resolutions

(These were written by a senior citizen for older people.)

1. I will never drive in the fast lane of superhighways lest my regard for legal speed limits delay a young driver who is late for his accident.
2. I will not show pictures of my adorable grandchildren except in self-defense.
3. I will not talk about my pains or hot flashes except to professionals paid to listen to me.
4. I will avoid making any suggestions regarding the upbringing of my grandchildren. Even if their parents limit their religious training to devil worship.
5. I will not question the sanity of, nor take action against those who regard screams, thrumping and wild sounds as a form of music.
6. Under no circumstances will I ever begin a sentence with the words "When I was your age . . ."
7. I will listen with respect and interest when teenagers explain that, since their generation invented sex, any viewpoint I might have on sexual conduct has absolutely no validity.
8. I will not express old fashioned objections to the wearing of "string" bikinis or other displays of nudity by beautiful young females. This in no way takes away my right to object if the body displayed is overweight, too skinny or otherwise repulsive.
9. Finally, I will strive to understand and be patient with those who are afflicted by youth, the fever that all too soon will pass and leave them as rational, reliable and dull as the rest of us.

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Fantastic! Exciting! Breathtaking! The men's volleyball playoffs. On Monday, August 15, it all kicked off with an elimination round between the Crammers, led by Don Matrale and sparked by the return to health of John Hannig and the Farmers led by Art Reinhard, the hottest team down the stretch winning 7 of their last 9 games. The games were hotly contested throughout the three games. However, the regular season cellar dweller Farmers continued their torrid play, winning by scores of 15-12, 14-16, 15-9 to advance to the semi-finals. Some outstanding efforts were turned in by Mke Bizzaro, Tony Sibilla and Joe Bizzaro for the winners and Marty Farrell, Jr., John Hannig and Gary Hornig for the losers.

THE SEMI-FINALS

Tuesday, August 16, the first semi-final series between the Rockets of Scott Pemberton and the Nutcrackers led by Gary Guthreau. The semi-finals now mean three wins in five games. What probably was the most dramatic of all games in the playoffs was full of pressure packed action and outstanding efforts from Jeff and Scott Pemberton and Roger Johnson. The Rockets fought back from near elimination to move into the finals. In game four, the score of 13 to 9 in favor of the Nutcrackers, the Rockets scored six straight points and blitzed

the Nutcrackers in game five for victory by scores of 10-15, 15-11, 13-15, 15-13, 15-3.

On Wednesday, August 17, the other finalist was to be decided between the regular season champs, the Knights with a "K" and the Farmers. The Farmers show no intimidation as again the games were of championship quality. Sparked by the excellent play of Mike Bizzaro and Art Weinkmuller the Farmers more than held their own. However, the league MVP, Steve Penk was too much

Men's Volleyball League

to overcome. Along with the unexpected play of Frank Tower and the continued effort of Bob Basmadjian, Jr. the Knights won by scores of 16-14, 10-15, 15-5, 15-13.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 THE FINALS

The Knights with a "K" against the Rockets. Proven talent against promise. The quiet confidence of winners against the gaining momentum of a loaded team. The results, the Knights played like a well oiled machine, systematically executing every play like a winner should. The Rockets seemed to peak in the semi-finals. They played with spirit but were hesitant and flat. The Knights won in four games 15-10, 15-12, 11-15,

15-9. The most valuable player, undoubtedly Steve Penk. The Champs — Knights with a "K" — Tim Penk, Steve Penk, Bob Basmadjian, Jr., Peter Martin, Jr., Frank Tower, Ralph Johnson, Walt Foster and Frank Collazo.

The enthusiasm shown this summer was greater than expected. A new field, a bigger league, receptive crowds and spirit. Probably the best example of this occurred on a rainy night during the semi-finals. The pool and snack bar were closed, the field wet, a very dark rain cloud threatened postponement, yet over 50 people showed up to watch the games. What spirit!

THE FINAL STANDINGS

1. Knights with a "K" 42-14
2. Nutcrackers 28-20
3. Rockets 24-29
4. Crammers 19-29
5. Farmers 18-33

ANSWERS

- (1) Kelly (2) Chatsworth Osborn Jr. (3) Colonel Hall (4) The New York sewers (5) Gladys (6) Gillis (7) Perry White (8) Blanche Morton (9) Clarence (10) George Feneman (11) Schultzie (12) Mr. Skyler (13) IT'S HOWDY DOODY TIME! (14) Jackie Gleason (15) Rock Around the Clock (Bill Haley and the Comets) (16) The Peppermint Lounge (17) Claude Kirshner (18) Lee Marvin (19) The Peacock.

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