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**Grand Knight's
Column**
Michael Carr



With the arrival of the new year many are planning a fresh start with the traditional resolutions, to stop smoking, to lose weight, to stop drinking (but please not at the Council bar!). For most they last a week or two and become just forgotten promises until this time next year. For the Council however, January 1 means we are half way through the Colombian year. It is a time to look back at what was accomplished and to look ahead to what is still to be done. The first half of the year has been very successful from a membership point of view. We have conducted three first degrees and have taken in 48 new members. Because of this success State Membership Chairman, Joe Larena PGK, has asked me to speak on our success at the Grand Knights mid-term meeting this month. My thanks and congratulations to our Membership Chairman, Russ Albert and his committee for a job well done. A part of this success is due also to the many activities that the Council has to offer. From the Swim Club Anniversary Weekend, to the Council Picnic, to the Council Halloween Party, to all the activities of the Columbian Club these are the things that help attract new members. I would like to thank all those who worked so hard to make these things happen.

For the second half of the year there is plenty to look forward to, the Blood Bank on January 8, the Super Bowl Sunday Party, the Valentine's Dance, the Nuns and Widows Dinner, the Retarded Citizens Drive, and plenty of degree work. That was just a list of a few, there will be plenty more which you will read in the pages of upcoming "Digests".

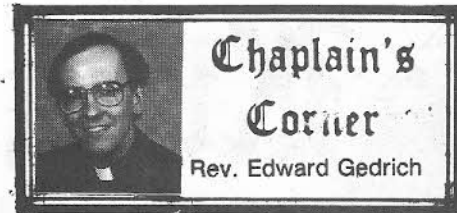
To make these things happen we can always use help. While you are making your new year's resolutions let one be to help your Council and then give me or DGK Mike Gasser (486-3141) or Program Director Lon Pannucci (763-0613) a call and we will be sure that this resolution doesn't become another forgotten promise.

#4504 BOWLING LEAGUE MEETING

There will be a meeting for all members of the Council bowling league on Wednesday, January 25, 1989 at 8:00 P.M. at the Council hall.

Any members who would be interested in bowling are also invited to attend the meeting.

-Refreshments-



Next Monday, January 23, the church bells of St. Michael's will toll twenty-three times after the Angelus bells at noon and again at 6 P.M.. Other churches all over our nation will do the same — in memory of the twenty-three **million(!)** babies whose lives have been ended through abortion since the Supreme Court's tragic decision in 1973.

The Church's certain and constant teaching regarding human life is familiar: "The human being is to be respected and treated as a person from the moment of conception", for "the new life begun...would never be made human if it were not human already". "God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning until its end: no one can, in any circumstance, claim for himself the right to destroy directly an innocent human being."

As the bells sound their terrible toll on the twenty-third, we might all look into our own hearts to see if attitudes destructive of the Church's vision of human dignity have crept in. We may be against abortion — but are we for life? Are we for the support of the child of an unwed mother? Are we for the gentle and supportive counseling of a scared teenager? Are we for the healing of women whose bodies and spirits have already known the trauma of abortion? Do we truly treasure **every** human life that crosses our path, regardless of its **usefulness** to us?

Remember for whom the bell tolls. It tolls for us.

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY
JAN. 22, 1989

HOT & COLD BUFFET COFFEE & CAKE
Half Time Snacks & Sandwiches
Beer & Soda
4 pm Start
Possible Guest Speaker
\$10.00 Per Person

Joint Effort by Colombian Club & Council with
Proceeds going Towards Insurance Bill
Contact Bob Pfarr 964-1512 or Joe Tortora
688-1422

FIRST FRIDAY SCHEDULE

The following lists the guests speakers for the First Friday celebrations to be held through June:

February 3	- Rev. Edward G. Furrevig "Slides of the Holy Land"
March 3	- Rev. Charles J. Miller WWOR Sunday Mass celebrant
April 7	-Very Rev. Michael Merlucci
May 5	- Very Rev. Paul L. Bohicchio
June 2	- Most Rev. Dominic Marconi



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH
January 1989
John Boyle

We are happy to announce the selection of John Boyle as Knight of the Month for January, 1989. John has been a member of the Knights of Columbus for seven years but has actually grown up with Union Council. John is Treasurer of Union Council and is also a bar tender. John is also interested in the Retarded Citizens Drive and Covenant House.

John and his wife JoAnn have been married for two years, and reside in Kenilworth. They are parishioners of St. Michael's Church in Union.

John works for Boyle Commercial/Industrial Realtors. He is Vice President of the company and he is also a real estate broker. John has been with the company and top salesman for seven years.

His hobbies are bowling, reading and collecting baseball cards and baseball memorabilia.

Union Council #4504 is proud to honor John Boyle as Knight of the Month for January, 1989.

Convention '89

The State Convention will once again be held in Wildwood, May 18th to 21st. As of this writing all rooms in the Pan Am are spoken for. However, we have obtained 15 rooms in the Crusader, which is one block away, and they will charge the same rates as the Pan Am. There are a few minor details to be worked out with the two hotels. I have just received rates from the Pan Am. The rooms have gone up between 4 to 6 dollars depending on the room. The hospitality room rate will be the same as last year, \$40 if you come down on Thursday and \$35 dollars if you come down on Friday. I will now start taking deposits, so if you have a reservation please contact me or if you would like to put your name on a waiting list call DGK Michael Gasser at 486-3141.

ALL DEPOSITS MUST BE IN BY FEBRUARY 27, 1989!

A NOTE OF THANKS

I would like to extend my appreciation to all who contributed to my Eagle Scout Project — "Project Protect". Through your generosity, I was able to collect over 9,000 items to help these people in their time of difficulty. Without your help, I would not have been able to achieve such a goal. Thanks to all of you.

Stephen Toth
 Troop #68

COLUMBIAN SWIM CLUB

The Swim Club nominating committee has recommended George Clark and John Peters for election to the Board of Governors each for a three-year term. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. The elections will be held at our annual meeting on Friday, January 20, 1989 at 8:00 P.M. in the Council hall. Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

The Swim Club is still accepting bids from qualified Pool Managers for the 1989 season. If you know of anyone interested, have them contact President Frank Fabiano.

NIGHT AT THE RACES

On Saturday, January 28 at 7:30 P.M. we will have a Night at the Races. For your \$3.00 admission you will receive a giant hero sandwich with salads, plus soda and beer all night in addition to snacks, coffee and dessert.

Why fight the traffic on a cold, winter night to go the Meadowlands when you can see the horses at the warm, comfortable Council home.

Proceeds will go towards our \$15,000 insurance premium. Call Joe Tortora (688-1422) or see Frank Fabiano or Mike Carr for tickets.

See you on the 28th!!!

IDEAS?

The Columbian Club Board of Directors is requesting suggestions from the membership for improvements in the patio area and for the summer programs. Put your ideas in writing and submit them to Joe Tortora, Columbian Club President.

The Columbian Club is now accepting bids for a snack bar manager. Anyone interested please contact Joe Tortora or Ed Rocco both at 688-4504.

BARTENDERS WANTED

We still are looking for a few good men who are willing to tend bar one night (or day) once every two months. We will train. Please see Ray Menoni.

TRUMP PLAZA

The Knights of Columbus are planning monthly bus rides to Trump Plaza Casino to raise funds for our enormous insurance bill.

All members, their wives and friends are welcome. The cost will be \$12.00 You will receive \$17.50 cash, \$5.00 food credit and \$5.00 deferred voucher.





Our first trip will be Tuesday, February 14 departing the Council home at 9:00 A.M. Reserved seats will be sold on a first-come basis. Future trips will be held on the second Tuesday of each month to the Trump.

Prices and packages may change slightly. Anyone interested please call Ignatius Zrebiec 686-1622.

WHEN YOU CARE TO SEND THE VERY BEST

To commemorate any of life's events - what is better than a gift of a Mass of Remembrance. Partake of the Airport Chapel Mass Card Program.

If you need more cards contact John Peters, Chapel Chairman, at 964-6869.

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