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Message from General Program Chairman

Gentlemen and Brother Knights, I bid you a warm hello. — Allow me to introduce myself. I'm Hank Skarbek — your General Program Chairman for this coming year. — Since this council has been formed we have been very fortunate to have very capable men fill this job.—Weldon Arner, Bill Donnelly, Frank Murphy, and Ed Wargins have preceded me. To fill their shoes will take some doing. — This time next year I hope I may be able to take my place along side of them as ex-General Program Chairmen.

This Council or any Council for that matter will only be as strong as its members are active. We will operate within the frame work of the Knights of Columbus as New Haven so dictates. Adopting these rules to our own environment we will continue to prosper and grow. Come join us and work, work, work to make this a successful year. See you next month here in the "Digest".

HANK SKARBEK
General Program Chairman

Religion and Life Insurance

Ever notice the similarities of your Religion and your Life Insurance?

One supplies spiritual needs, the other temporal.

Neither is assured us when needed most, unless we make the necessary provisions early in life.

Too little attention is given to either until emergencies arise.

The cost is small compared with the benefits derived.

The efforts of those administering are frequently little appreciated.

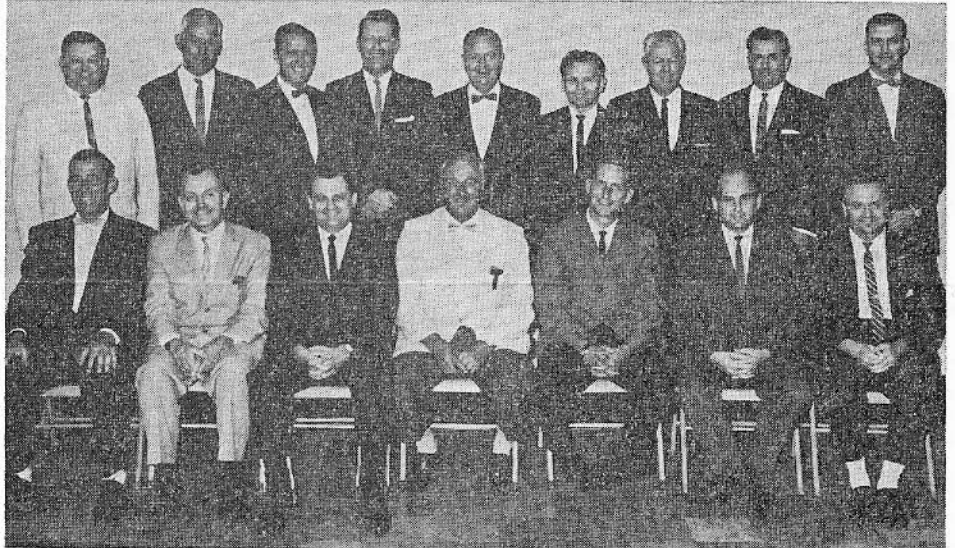
The benefits of neither can be acquired without sacrifice and self-denial.

Both are increasingly appreciated during declining years.

Upon serious consideration, we usually find ourselves with too little of either.

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INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR 1962-1963



Seated from the Left: John Sturdivant, District Deputy; Alvin Diellein, Financial Secretary; Frank Dickerson, Chancellor; William Taylor, Deputy Grand Knight; James Conroy, Grand Knight; Raymond O'Brien, District Deputy; B. Warren Hehl, Warden. Standing from the Left: Howard Leary, PGK and Lecturer; Walter Wasowski, Recorder; John Zimmerman, PGK and Trustee; Thomas Crimmins, PGK and Trustee; George Arnold, PGK and Trustee; Edward Stonach, Outside Guard; Russell Coen, Inside Guard; James Conlon, Advocate; John McCarthy, Treasurer.

Installation of officers of Union Council, #4504, Knights of Columbus, for 1962-63 took place at the August 13 meeting at the Council Home. The installation was conducted by Raymond D. O'Brien, District Deputy and Past Grand Knight of Elizabeth Council #253. District Deputy O'Brien was assisted by John Sturdivant, District Deputy and Past Grand Knight of St. Theresa Council, Kenilworth. Others in District Deputy O'Brien's staff included Dennis Burke, Charles J. McGinley, T. Lombardo and R. O'Brien. An excellent attendance for the season, over 130, greeted the new officers and after the meeting, enjoyed a corn fest prepared by the kitchen committee.

Robert Emery New Public Relations Head

Nothing has less value than old news. For this reason all items of interest to our Council should be submitted as soon as possible to Robert Emery, Public Relations Chairman, 1049 Brighton St., MU. 7-2389. This will help Bob get timely news into the local papers. Closing date for all items for the Knight Digest is the 15th of the month preceding publication.

Prayers Requested

Members are asked to remember in their prayers, Ed Brennan, who underwent an operation and is recovering at his sister's house:

Mrs. Michael Sottile
15 Gulf Terrace
Kingston, N. Y.

Pilgrimage for Peace

On Sunday, September 16, our council will participate in the annual Pilgrimage for Peace at Williamstown, New Jersey.

Bus service will be provided for those brothers and their families who do not wish to use their own cars, but the Catholic Activities committee must know in advance how many will use the bus. Contact Al Ingram, SO. 2-7633 for reservations. The bus will leave at 11:00 A.M., from the Council Home.

For those who wish to use their own cars, Williamstown may be reached by taking the New Jersey Turnpike south to Exit 3, then East on Route 42 to Williamstown traffic light; turn right and proceed to Main Street, then left six blocks to St. Mary's Church. Union to Williamstown is about 90 miles.

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Notice to Brothers and Their Families

If you know of the death or illness of a Brother, please notify, immediately, Fraternal Activity Chairman, Eugene M. Ecklund, 2046 Gless Ave., Union, MU. 7-9554.

CALENDAR

SEPT. 8 — SATURDAY

Council Home 1st Anniversary Dance, 9 P.M.
Council Home

SEPT. 10 — MONDAY

Regular Council Meeting
8:15 P.M. — Council Home
Recognition Night

SEPT. 11 — TUESDAY

Opening Intracouncil
Winter Bowling League
9 P.M. — Four Seasons
Lanes, W. Chestnut Street,
Union

SEPT. 15 — SATURDAY

Opening Boys and Girls
Bowling League
Four Seasons Lanes
9:30 A.M. - 12:00

SEPT. 16 — SUNDAY

Pilgrimage For Peace
2 P.M.—Williamstown, N. J.
11 A.M.—Bus leaves Council Home

SEPT. 17 — MONDAY

Open House Meeting
8:15 P.M. — Council Home
Prospective Members

SEPT. 24 — MONDAY

Regular Council Meeting
8:15 P.M. — Council Home

SEPT. 29 — SATURDAY

KRESKIN Command
Performance — 8:30 P.M.
Council Home



Chaplain's Corner

--- Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

The means whereby a Catholic man can be a force for good are opportunities he will use to make the doctrine in which he believes the driving force of all the actions of his life. If the Catholic man will attain the sex stature that God intended for him he must integrate all the faculties of mind and heart into one ordered being, completely knowing himself and utterly dedicated so that the accident of time will minutely record his life as the pulsating of the very heart of Christ. The dynamism of this idea is the only force that can save us from self destroying materialism.

As a man, what am I? I am a creature of God. I was made by an infinitely powerful God as an object of his love. Through Adam's sin I have inherited an injured nature. This fact only moved my loving God to be more generous in his love for me. He does not scorn me for my

injured nature, but he has raised me beyond the nature of Adam. I am baptized. I am reborn with water and with the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit who formed Christ in the Womb of the Virgin Mary, has by Baptism, made us other Christs. St. Paul says, "It is not I. It is Christ living in me."

This then is the nature that we have. Our souls thus joined with the living Christ have bodies still maimed by Adam's sin. Though maimed these bodies have sufficient power when joined with Grace to perform meritorious acts. In searching to know ourselves we will find serious limitations to all of our talents. These very limitations rather than bringing despair, are the telling notes of the beginning of greatness. St. Paul says, "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me."

Since our Chaplain is enjoying a hard earned vacation, we are repeating excerpts from an earlier column which is as timely today as when published.

Report of the Building Fund Committee

Brothers, we have a beautiful new Council Home. This is a source of pride to all Catholic gentlemen who call themselves Knights of Columbus.

By the same token this has also placed a responsibility on our shoulders. This burden is represented by the mortgage payments and the added notes to furnish the building; — the air conditioning recently installed for your comfort and the kitchen and lounge equipment necessary to put us on a business-like basis.

Hence, we are continuing our Building Fund pledge drive with renewed vigor for the coming year. Your \$100.00 pledge payable over a two year period will help to lighten this burden.

To date we have secured 443 Building Fund pledges out of a total membership of 651. This, for the figure filberts is 67% and a very good indication of the faith the good brothers have in our Council.

Continuing interest is being shown by 110 brothers who were unable to pledge when first contacted. They asked to be called in September and October. Because of the large number involved, we in turn ask them to contact the Pledge Drive Chairman,

Annual Retreat Scheduled At San Alfonso

The annual retreat will be held at San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch on the weekend of October 19, 20 and 21. Plan this weekend now.

Tom Vigliotto, MU. 8-1385 is again retreat captain this year and he is hoping to add new members to our Union Council Retreat Club. Unfortunately, attendance at our retreats has fallen off considerably even though our total membership has increased greatly.

Arrangements have been made to have Father James J. Bolger of San Alfonso appear at our meeting Monday night, September 24th, his subject will concern the making of a retreat and to answer any questions you may have in this regard.

Bill Taylor, at a regular meeting or by phone, MU. 6-3120. Bill plans to phone all names he has, so those who call him will lighten his chore considerably. If you pledge now your generosity will assure the continued success of your Council. A list of paid up pledges appears on the Council Home bulletin board, and will be revised monthly.

Grand Knight's Message



My Brother Knights:

On behalf of the officers of the Council, I would like to start my first message by thanking our brothers for the support they have given us in the first two months of our term. The officers collectively and individually will strive to serve the Council to the best of our abilities in all phases of Columbianism. Each new group as it is installed is faced with the task of trying to equal or surpass the accomplishments of those who have served before. Without this competition progress would be impossible; without program the Council would slowly slip into oblivion.

What are the plans for 1962-63? Plans have been formulated to expand all the committees to encompass as many brothers as possible. Increased activity by the individual brother means increased activities for the Council in general. When called to serve, do so willingly. Remember, the fellow who calls and asks you to give some of your time is giving much of his own precious spare time. Try to help, please. If by oversight, you are not contacted to serve on a particular committee and feel you can, please contact the respective chairman, the general program chairman or myself and we would be happy to have you on the "team".

September will be a very busy month for Union Council. The calendar and articles describing the events appear elsewhere in the Digest. Important among these events are the dance on September 8th, the first anniversary of the dedication of our Council Home. Try to attend and make it a gala evening.

Another date of utmost importance to us as Knights of Columbus is Tuesday, September 11th. The ordinance introduced by the Union Township Committee to regulate and control theaters and "art movies" is scheduled for second reading and adoption. It behooves us to attend this township meeting in force as Knights of Columbus to show our support for this ordinance.

On Sunday, September 16th, Union Council will participate in the annual Pilgrimage for Peace at Williamstown, N. J. Make an extra effort to attend. Any sacrifice you make will certainly be rewarded by the

sight of thousands of men marching with rosaries in hand asking our Mother Mary to intercede with her Divine Son for Peace.

The Open House for prospective members will be held on Monday, September 17th. Stewart A. Schoder, State Secretary, is scheduled as the principal speaker. It is an honor for Union Council to have one of the state officers at our home. Make every effort to attend and bring a prospective member.

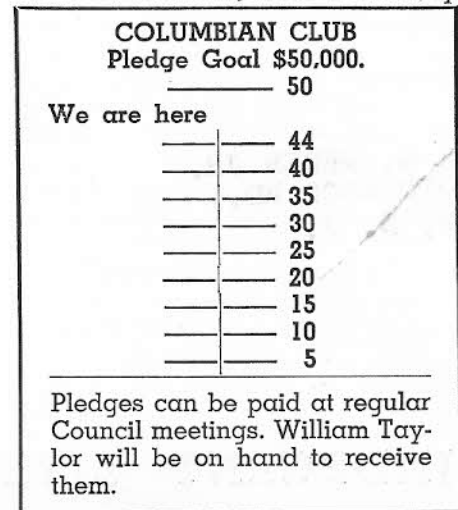
From this outline of September highlights you can see that the committee chairmen have been very active in planning their programs. They are trying to develop new ideas to stimulate the interest of the membership. Their purpose is to have a complete well rounded program.

On July 1, 1962, Union Council was placed under the jurisdiction of a new District Deputy, Raymond O'Brien, past Grand Knight of Elizabeth Council. In the first two months of the council year, he has helped considerably in launching our program.

District Deputy O'Brien is replacing Frank Jackiewicz. To Frank, the officers and members of the council offer a sincere and heartfelt "thank you" for a job well done. Without Frank, who helped form Union Council, we certainly could not have made the progress we have enjoyed.

Soon we will see the start of the Ecumenical Council in Rome. It is one of the most important events of our lifetime. Pray often for its success.

Fraternally yours,
James R. Confroy



Safe Driving Corner

John Foley

Constantly you read of small tots being run over in their own driveway.

When backing up, double check before moving, and look over your right shoulder for better vision.

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Did you know that when you imbibe that it takes 12 to 14 hours before the last trace of alcohol disappears from the bloodstream?

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Many drivers still don't realize that the law requires every motorist to carry a spare head-light bulb assembly.

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In the near future the new cars will be equipped with stronger bumpers. The theory is that front end damages will take a sharp drop. The bumpers will be reinforced internally with hard rubber.

DON'T FORGET — Make your bus reservations at once for the Pilgrimage.

Did You Know?

Starting January 1, 1963, insurance premiums will be billed through the Supreme Office in New Haven.

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Grand Knight Confroy has two brothers in the priesthood and a sister in the convent — Rev. Mark W. Confroy, O.S.B., Headmaster, St. Benedict's Prep., Newark; Rev. Thomas J. Confroy, O.S.B., Asst. Headmaster, Delbarton School, Morristown; Sr. Teresa Regina, S.C., Nurse, St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson, N. J.

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The Columbian Club meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Council Home at 8:15 P.M. All members of Council 4504 are welcome to attend these meetings.

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We have a Hobby Chairman, Ernest DeLuca, 1579 Walker Avenue, Union, MU. 7-3814, who wants information about your hobby for "Hobby Knight."

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The Cocktail Lounge in the Council House is open to members and guests even when the Hall is rented out for affairs.

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