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PEACE ON EARTH TO MEN OF GOOD WILL



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Edward M. Swierzbinski

Christmas means the birth of Jesus Christ. Who is Jesus Christ?

He is the son of Mary of Nazareth. He is one of us, a fellow citizen of this earth.

He is also the Son of God. Without ceasing to be fully human, He is God. That makes Him the most remarkable

member of the human race.

Jesus Christ is God's way of saying to us: "Do not be afraid." Man needs God in order to be saved from himself. Man needs God in order to be himself. Watching the news on TV, we may conclude that man, even with God, isn't doing a very good job.

Christmas, however, should spark new hope. God has become man!!! Man cannot be all bad.

Christmas, therefore, is a bugle call. Every year it urges you and me to make the Christ-life a possibility. It says, "Desire His presence. Think about His words and actions. Follow the prompt-

ings of His Spirit. Speak to Him in your heart and pray to Him for all the needs of the world and of your family. Treat Him as a real person and you will discover that He is real."

This then is my Christmas wish and prayer for all Brother Knights and their families.

Discover Christ in your life. Share Him with us at the meetings.

If you have any questions or thoughts, write to me. The address: 655 East Jersey Street, Elizabeth, N. J. 07206.

Better yet talk to me at the meetings. Come home — Brothers — We need each other.

Knight Digest

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Pictured above at a recent meeting of the Knights of Columbus, Union Council No. 4504, are Andrew Tobia, Lecturer; Dave Toma of the Newark Police Department Narcotics and Vice Squad, Guest Speaker; and Barney Capriglione, Grand Knight.

A discussion on drugs was held. Dave Toma pointed out that the use of drugs in New Jersey is widespread. In schools, it has reached the fifth grade level. Every parent should be on the alert to keep it out of the home.

He cited that "grass" is one of the worst drugs to use. Addiction seems to be a means of find escape from everyday life and our children must be made aware of the danger of drugs. He stressed that complete abstinence is the only cure. The home must be the start of controlling the drug problem. Parents must maintain control of the home and children should look up to them as leaders, not as strict disciplinarians.

Dave Toma, "The Man of a Thousand Faces" has been with the Newark Police Department Narcotics and Vice Squad for twelve years. His life story will be filmed in the near future. He has appeared as a guest on the Mike Douglas and Johnny Carson Shows.

Prior to the meeting, a living rosary, led by the Council Chaplain, Father Edward Swierzbinski, was recited before an altar of our Blessed Virgin which was recently donated by Grand Knight Barney Capriglione and his family.

Knight of the Month December 1972



The December Knight of the Month is a valuable asset to Union 4504. He has been a member of the Knights of Columbus for over five years. He has been quite active, distinguishing himself last year as the Chairman of the Admissions Committee as well as serving on the interviewing committee this year. He is none other than Robert T. Hillock, Jr.

Bob and his lovely wife, Peggy, are the proud parents of three lovely children; John Gary and Joann. The Hillocks reside on Rosemont Avenue, here in Union, and are communicants of St. Michael's Parish.

Thank you Bob and A Merry Christmas from 4504 to you and your family.

J.F.K. Fourth Degree News — "Reminder"

The December Meeting of the Assembly will be an Open Meeting with the wives of the members invited for a buffet and get-together after the meeting.

Merry Christmas to all Sir Knights, their families and All Brothers in Christ.

Columbian Swim Club

As all good things must come to an end, so it was with the Columbian Swim Club Pool when the last "work party" buttoned up the pool. A good turn-out of volunteer workers performed the necessary work of dismantling and storing the equipment and deck furniture for the winter.

Swim Club President Andy Tobia announces the following appointments to the Columbian Swim Club Board of Governors for one year terms:

Appointed by the Grand Knight, Union Council 4504: Vincent Iannuzzi, and appointed by the Columbian President, Walter Wasowski.

Approximately 56 members who performed the 8 or more work parties were treated to a cocktail hour and food at the council home; and to see a show at the Paper Mill Playhouse on November 4, 1972.

Membership Committee Chairman, Bill Taylor, requests that any Columbian Swim Club Member who does not plan to renew his membership in the Swim Club for the 1973 season to PLEASE NOTIFY HIM NOW or as soon as possible, when they know they are going to withdraw; in order to give our Brothers on the waiting list ample opportunity to raise the necessary fees, and prior to making commitments causing them to pass up a chance for membership this year and revert to the bottom of the list.

The Pool Management Selection Committee Chairman, Mr. Frank Dickerson, is issuing notification to any qualified person that his committee is ready to accept bids for the Columbian Swim Club Contract to manage the pool for the 1973 Season. Anyone who is interested may receive detailed information on the requirements of the Contract by contacting the members of the committee. They are:

Mr. Frank Dickerson 687-4353
 Chairman
 Mr. Frank Weber 687-0480
 Mr. John Killian
 Mr. Joe Partley 688-7719

Two Nights to Remember

Annual Meeting January 19, 1973
 Swim Club Dance January 27, 1973

Knights of Columbus
 UNION COUNCIL 4504

Christmas Dinner Meeting

DECEMBER 11, 1972 — 7:00 P.M.

Council Home
 Jeanette Avenue, Union, N. J.

DONATION = \$2.00 Per Person

Swim Club Dance

On January 27th, 1973, the Swim Club will hold its 10th Anniversary Dance. The affair will be held at the Council Hall. Social hour will be from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. A complete Turkey Dinner will be served promptly at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are priced at \$7.50 per person which will include not only the above, but set-ups also. Tickets will be limited and sold to Swim Club Members only. It is recommended that reservations be obtained early. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Tickets and Reservations are available by contacting:

Rocco Corbo 688-8842
 Herby Kay 688-6292

Calendar of Events

Sat., Dec. 2 Dinner Dance
 Honoring Our
 Past Grand Knight
 and celebrating
 the Council's
 15th Anniversary
 Sun., Dec. 10 Day of Reflection
 (Council Home) 3 to 6 p.m.
 Mon., Dec. 11 Dinner Meeting
 7:00 p.m.
 Sat., Dec. 16 Appreciation Night
 Sun., Dec. 17 Christmas Party
 (Children)
 Sun., Dec. 31 . New Years Eve Dance
 Sat., Jan. 13 Wheelchair
 Basketball

"Knights Go Broadway"

Singers, dancers, come out on December 8th and 15th to audition for our Knights Show at the Council Home, at 9:15 p.m. Bring your entire family; there is room for everyone.

"Joe Ruddy"

New Years Eve

Ring out the Old and bring in the New. Make your reservations early. Call Vincent Mirizio, 687-0344. Music 10:00 p.m. til 3:00 a.m. \$25.00 per couple.

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Dear Brothers:

The Holy Holiday Season, besides being a joyous season of the year for all of us, is also a time for reflecting on past accomplishments and renewing our faith and hope in the future.

It is my hope that each of you shares the sense of pride I feel in being your Grand Knight; and that you will continue our joint endeavor to maintain and improve our reputation as one of the greatest and most competent councils in this great State of ours.

Mrs. Capriglione and Family join me in wishing each of you and yours a most Blessed Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

P.S. Don't forget that Big Birthday Party to be held on Monday, December 25th, 1972. See you there . . .

Fraternally yours,
Barney Capriglione

Wheelchair Basketball to Aid "Operation Concern"

Union Council Knights of Columbus will again sponsor a Wheelchair Basketball Game in conjunction with the New Jersey Wheelers on Saturday, January 13, 1973, at 8:00 p.m. in the Burnet Jr. High School (Caldwell & Morris Aves.). Tickets are priced at \$2.00 each.

The opposition for the New Jersey Wheelers this year will be a team from Boston, Mass. The Wheelers are undefeated early in this season and are looking forward to playing here in Union again.

All proceeds, after expenses, will be shared by the New Jersey Wheelers and the flood victims of eastern Pennsylvania. There certainly cannot be two better avenues to which we can channel our charity. Therefore, we are asking you to support this event. Many words have already been written in the Digest about the havoc created in Pennsylvania as a result of Hurricane Agnes. Now is the time for us to lend a hand in support of these unfortunate people.

Tickets are available through the following Brothers:

Frank Dickerson — Chairman
Dominick Clementoni — PGK
Michael Tomko — Dep. G.K.
Barney Capriglione — G.K.
(Fountain Realty)

Tickets will also be available at the Council Home.

Fraternally yours,
Frank J. Dickerson
Chairman-Wheelchair Basketball

Baby Sitters Available

We now have a list of some 7 or 8 girls who are available for Baby Sitting Service. If you need this service, please call Ray Sullivan, at 687-9079. And, if you want your daughter to sign up, just call.

Random Thoughts

Anybody who can still do at 40 what he did at 20 probably didn't do much at 20 . . . Did you hear about the new perfume with a secret ingredient? It makes a man think he can support a wife . . . Tell the boss what you really think of him and the truth shall set you free . . . One benefit of the youth revolt: It's stopped a lot of people from bragging about their kids . . . A dollar saved today is 75 cents earned tomorrow. In America 94 per cent of all homes contain at least one television set, but only 91 per cent have bath tubs. This proves that more brains are being washed than bodies . . . Romance is like a game of chess — one false move and you're mated . . . Don't be troubled if the temptation to give advice is irresistible, the ability to ignore is universal . . . "And please God", pleaded th-little voice in prayer, "put the vitamins in chocolate and cupcakes instead of spinach and carrots" . . . Some interesting signs I've seen: In the window of an Internal Revenue Office, "America is the land of untold wealth"; A restaurant sign, "Our best steak is \$7.50. We know that's tough, but our \$5.00 steak is a lot tougher." A small village in Pennsylvania had this sign erected on the highway, "Slow — no hospital". A sign in Texas, "This is God's country. Don't drive like Hell". In a Traffic Court a sign reads, "Stop complaining, think of all the tickets you deserved and didn't get" . . . Christmas greetings speak of peace on earth, but they don't say where . . . Christmas is the season when by their fruitcakes shall ye know them . . . Christmas is the season when people take the milk of human kindness out of the deep freeze . . . My wish for the members of Union Council during this holy season is that Christmas peace will fill your home and bless all you hold dear, and then it will shine on you through a joyous New Year.

Jim Moran

"Attention Brother Knights"

We are in the process of revamping a "most" important function of our Council — the support of all Brother Knights in this direction will strengthen the communication gap in **your** Council.

We are attempting to "activate" our telephone committee. If you are desirous of receiving a call with reference to Council activities, please call Art Foster, 686-2625. Give him your current telephone number, so we may contact those Brothers who are sincerely interested in being contacted.

Please Note

It is our wish to maintain and up-date the list of the Widows and Widowers of our Council. Should this pertain to you, won't you please take a moment to send your name, address and telephone number to the Knights of Columbus, 1034 Jeanette Avenue, Union, N.J., 07083, c/o Mr. Peter Deo.

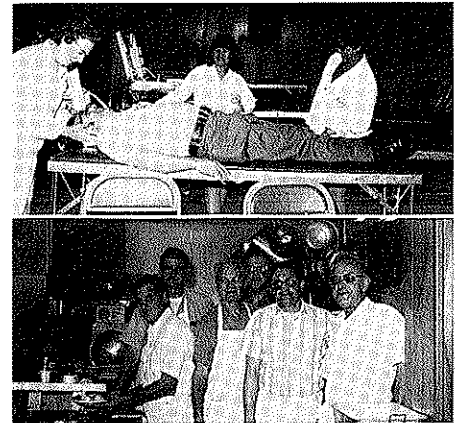
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Winter Weekend

Plans are completed for our Mt. Airy Winter Weekend on February 2-3-4 in the Poconos. Deadline for reservations is December 15th. Our first bus is already filled and future reservations will be on a second bus — providing we have enough to fill the second bus. If not, those that sign up will have to furnish their own transportation. For further information call:

Ray Sullivan 687-9079
Vince Iannuzzi 687-9381

Blood Bank 1972 This Is The Way It Was



Nominating Committee For Swim Club

The following men have been appointed as nominating committee to present a slate for the Board of Governors for the Swim Club: Barney Capriglione, Bob Kolster, Walter Guthreau, Sal Barone, Pete Martin, Gene LeCompte and Dom Zezza.

Appointees are:
Peter Deo
Gene LeCompte
Peter Martin

Be A Pen Pal

Barbara Donnelly, daughter of Brother Knight Robert J. Donnelly, is right now laying face down in traction. She is just about 14 years old. Laying face down 24 hours a day is not a pleasant situation to be put into. However, this young lady's spirits are high. She has one request; that request is mail from some kids her own age.

If any sons or daughters of our Brother Knights around 14 years of age would like to brighten what could be a rather monotonous day for Barbara, please write her at the following address:

Millington Children's Hospital
181 East Adar Street
Millington, Connecticut 06111

Santa Says December 17th

That's the date of our Annual Children's Christmas Party to be held at the Council from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Gifts for the children should be kept inexpensive; and to maintain the fun for the little ones, we ask that the party be for children up to 8 years old. We will have entertainment, and, of course, Santa will make his usual appearance.

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