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#### **Communion Banquet**

October 3rd, was the occasion of a new and exhilarating experience in Christian witness when 112 Brother Knights participtaed in Holy Mass at St. Michael's Church and afterwards attended a Communion Dinner at the Council Home. The idea of a weekday evening Mass and Communion Dinner instead of the traditional Sunday Mass and Breakfast was planned with the thought in mind that such an innovation would obviate some of the problems which prevented many brothers from attending past Breakfasts.

Those who took part truly reflected the underlying, basic purpose of the Knights of Columbus when, after offering with the priest the Sacrifice of the Mass, they assembled in the spirit of unity and Christian fellowship to dine and to be truly edified by an outstanding guest speaker, George Davis, who, in a most unique manner illustrated to all his listeners the extraordinary power of the Rosary.

If any disappointing note was sounded concerning this most important Catholic Activities event, it was the fact that many more, if not all the membership of Union Council did not attend. A comparison of the attendance figures of all Council events, both social and religious, is in itself an indictment of the ultimate direction and purpose of the Council. Perhaps such an event as this Communion Dinner and the response given by the membership should cause each and every member to ask himself the question: "Why am I a Knight of Columbus?" Perhaps this experience will be the start of a spiritual "eye-opening" for Union Council 4504.

May the next Communion event, with the grace of God, show in the jargon of parliamentary procedure: Progress.



Guest Speaker George Davis at Communion Banquet.

## COMMEMORATIVE SERVICES TO BE HELD BY UNION COUNCIL 4504

#### Grand Knight to Lead Council at Memorial Services

On Monday, November 7th at our Council Home, we will pay honor to our brothers who have passed from us in the past year. The Memorial Service, a beautiful ceremony, is always well attended by brothers, who wish to remember in their prayers those who have gone to their heavenly rest.

During October we prayer fervently for world peace and devotion to our Blessed Mother. But now comes that time of year, November, when we as Catholic brothers must pay our respects and reverence to the deceased and in particular to the deceased brothers of our council. No time is more fitting to exemplify our love and dedication to those who departed from us. Our most fervent prayer and wish is that we will one day be united with Christ in Heaven, to this end we must live a full Catholic life. We must remember to pray for the souls of all the faithful departed and a happy death for ourselves. With this in mind, the Council is having a Memorial Mass offered for our deceased brothers on Sunday, November 27, 8:05 A.M. at Saint Michael's Lower Church.

A public invitation is extended to the families and friends of our departed brothers, to attend this Memorial Service.

#### **Blood Donor Day**

My Brother Knights every year about this time Union Council has a Blood Donor Day. This year it is on Sunday, November 13th, 1966.

Remember, if you are able, be present at the Council Home between the hours of I P.M. and 4 P.M. We urge all that can, to please contribute to such a worthy cause; don't forget an adequate blood bank is advantageous to all you brothers, your wives, and children. What a heartfelt feeling when you're in need. Who will be next to ask? Let's all come out and make this a memorial occasion for Fraternal Activities Chairman Andy Tobia.



Grand Knight Walter Wasowski at Communion Banquet,



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#### **CALENDAR**

NOVEMBER 7 — MONDAY Memorial Services — Council Home - 8:00 P.M. NOVEMBER 12 — SATURDAY Youth Ice Skating Party NOVEMBER 13 — SUNDÁY Union Council Blood Donor Day NOVEMBER 14 — MONDAY Regular Council Meeting 8:15 P.M. NOVEMBER 16 — WEDNESDAY Regular Council Meeting Fourth Degree — 8:15 P.M. NOVEMBER 20 — SUNDAY Fourth Degree Communion Breakfast - 8:00 A.M. Holy Spirit Church NOVEMBER 26 — SATURDAY Annual Snowball Dance NOVEMBER 27 — SUNDAY Memorial Mass — St. Michael's Lower Church — 8:05 A.M. NOVEMBER 28 — MONDAY Regular Council Meeting 8:15 P.M.

#### Ice Skating Party

Youth Activities Chairman Joseph McEnroe has just completed plans for the Ice Skating Party to be held at the South Mountain Arena. All children and friends of brother Knights who are contemplating this trip should meet on Saturday, November 12th at the Council Home. The buses will leave the Council Home at 2:00 P.M. and return at the club house at 5:00 P.M. Children under 8 years of age must be accompanied by one parent. Parents are also invited to join in the fun. The price, which includes transportation and admission to the arena, is only \$1.50.

Skates may be rented at the arena for an additional 52¢. If you plan to attend the Ice Skating Party please contact Youth Activities Chairman Joseph McEnroe at MU 6-5346.



## Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

Beloved sons, what is the greaest need of the Church at the present time?

We ask this of you who are led here by love for the Church, for the Church in her unity, authenticity and authority, of you who have some knowledge of the state of fervor and renewal in which the Church finds itself after the council and who surely take part with good will in the post-conciliar process of renewal, of reform, of innovation, of development which places both the clergy and the faithful in ferment and movement of thought, activity, customs, and institutions; of you who feel the stimulation of the Holy Spirit to arise from conformism, inertia, lukewarmness and to do something good and useful for the Church,

We shall give today a most simple answer which you can understand and accept because you are good, faithful and fervent; the Church is in need of obedience.

Yes, you sons who love the Church: the Church needs obedience. And more than a passive and enforced external obedience, she needs an inner and spontaneous spirit of obedience.

But if we have understood something of the central doctrine of the council regarding the mystery of the Church, we shall easily arrive at the persuasion that obedience, even before being a purely formal and juridical homage to ecclesiastical laws and submission to ecclesiastical authority, is first of all a penetration and acceptance of the mystery of Christ, who saved us by means of obedience. It is a continutaion and imitation of this fundamental act of His: His acceptance of the will of the Father. It is an understanding of the principle which dominates the entire plan of incarnation and redemption.

Thus obedience becomes assimilation into Christ, who is the Divine Obedient One. It becomes the basic norm for our pedagogy of Christian formation; it becomes the indispensable coefficient of the interior unity of the Church, the source and sign of its peace.

If becomes an effective cooperation in Christ's evangelizing mission. It becomes the ascetic practice of humility and the spiritual practice of charity.

It becomes communion with Christ

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and with him who for us is the apostle and representative of Christ.

This is more beautiful when we think that the relationship between him who commands and him who obeys, or in other words between him who in the Church is vested with authority and him who is subject to such authority, becomes in the council reaffiremd, purified, determined and perfected: by the doctrines on the organic and heirarchical consitution of the Church and on the congenial operative virtues of the Church and also by the aims of service and by the pastoral disposition of the ecclesiastical authority, as well as by the exaltation which the council has made of God's people, of the priesthood of the faithful, of the participation of priests in the priesthood of the bishops and of the function of the laity in the Church of God.

The Church has need of such obedience, so that the fruit of the council may not be rendered ineffectual, and so that the Church may truly be the Kingdom of God and the light of peoples.

We thus recommend obedience to you, beloved children, with our apostolic blessing.

#### Annual Snowball Dance Hurry Hurry

There are only a few weeks left before the Snow Ball Dance. If the request for the tickets follow the pattern set by the last two dances, we could be sold out within the next two weeks. There were a number of disappointed brothers who were not able to obtain tickets for the previous affairs. Reserve your tickets now to assure you and your fair lady, a gala evening. The date is set for November 26th. The price will be \$16.00 per couple. This will include a cocktail hour from 7:30 to 8:30 P.M. Dinner will be served at 9:00 o'clock. There will be a set up at each table. Dress will be optional.

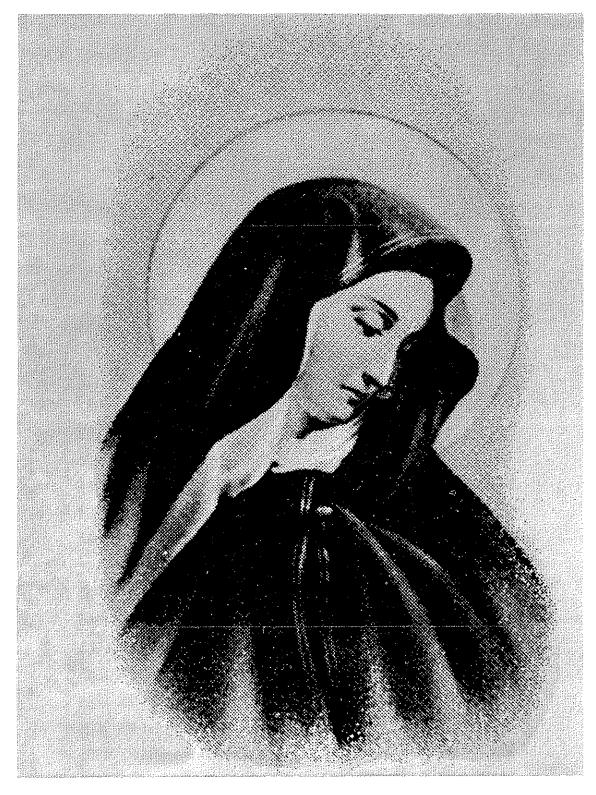
So plan now and call Herb Kleniewski at Kay's Hardware Store, 1344 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, N. J., the number is 688-6452. There will be 260 tickets available for this wonderful affair. So don't delay: Act Now!!

William M. Zurich Activities Chairman

#### Bits of Wisdom

Most men who berate their luck never think to question their judgment.

It's what we learn after we think we know it all that really counts.



Let them rest from their labors for their works follow them . . .  $\label{eq:Apocalypse} \mbox{Apocalypse 14-12-13}$ 

### Dedicated to the

## Hallowed Memory

#### of our

## Deceased Brothers

Union Council, 4504

RAYMOND VOLLHERBST	December 5,	1958
PAUL A. DUSSEAULT	. February 10,	1959
WILLIAM C. FAY	May 10,	1959
FRANK KANACK	June 17,	1960
JOHN S. FUTEJ	June 25,	1960
CHARLES A. JACQUES	November 8,	1960
DANIEL O'SULLIVAN	. February 25,	1961
HUBERT J. O'NEILL	July 20,	1961
RENE P. WITTEVRONGEL	April 27,	1962
RALPH P. HAMPP	May 5,	1962
STANLEY J. NIEBER	May 17,	1962
THOMAS M. McCANN	June 21,	1964
MARTIN J. MURPHY		
JAMES A. WALSH	July 18,	1964
VICTOR ROSSNER	November 6,	1964
HENRY J. GOLDA	December 26,	1964
WILLIAM J. STREBE	April 20,	1965
JOSEPH P. MILLER	May 7,	1965
CHARLES H. SAKOWSKI	June 21,	1965
CLIFFORD S. SHEA	July 14,	1965
ELMER J. LOEW	August 14,	1965
WALTER J. KIZIU	August 22,	1965
MICHAEL J. LENIO	September 2,	1965
JOHN McCORMICK	October 16,	1965
ROBERT MATHERS	March 4,	1966
CHARLES T. RULOFF	May 2,	1966
RT. REV. MSGR. EDWARD J. BEGLEY	August 4,	1966
DONALD BETZ	October 6,	1966





Walter Wasowski

The month of November in the calendar of the Knights of Columbus highlights the work of the Fraternal Activities Committee. The chairman of that committee is laboring diligently on your behalf, and your whole-hearted cooperation assuredly will crown his efforts with success.

One of the most important functions of the Council year will take place on Monday evening, November 21st at 8:00 P.M. at the Council Home. At that time, the annual Commemorative service will be held for those brothers of the Council who have been called to their eternal reward in the past year. The families and friends of our departed brothers will again be invited to participate with us in this service. All council members should make every effort possible to be in attendance as an indication that those who are no longer with us in body are still with us in memory.

The Annual Blood Donors Day has been well publicized, and a large turnout will enable Union Council to maintain one of the best Knights of Columbus Blood Banks in the State. Brother Gene Ecklund has again agreed to take charge of all necessary administrative work, thus relieving the Fraternal Activities Chairman of some of his burden.

Culminating the activities for the month will be one of the most important social functions of the year. As in the past, the Snowball Dance has been chosen as the affair at which we will honor our immediate Past Grand Knight B. Warren Hehl, and the Past Columbian Club President Bernard Raymond. An overflow attendance will be fitting testimony of our appreciation of their efforts on our behalf. In order to avoid disappointment, obtain your tickets early.

#### Knights Initiate Nine New Members Into First Degree

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The Union Council Knights of Columbus, initiates nine new members into its first degree Monday, Sept. 19, 1966 at our Council Home. The new members are: William V. Grosso, John Marmora, John C. Gunther, Michael N. Mielnick, James F. Ford, Santo Livera, David Petruzziello, Peter N. Ciccone, and Paul R. Rugg. The officers and members welcome the new members into our council and wish them success.



Frank G. Weber, Jr.

#### Knight of the Month

November, 1966

It is with great pleasure to announce the Knight of the Month for November. Frank Weber, Jr. has been a Knight in our Council six years, and can easily be found working about the council, either at the kitchen or at the bar.

Frank, a Unionite for 14 years, resides at 850 Pinewood Road. He and Chatherine, his wife of 19 years, are proud parents of four Children, Frank III, Thomas, Barbara Ann, and Gregory.

A communicant of Saint James Church, Springfield, Frank is an active member of the Holy Name Society.

As Director of our Columbian Swim Club, Frank has contributed many hours to the welfare and growth of the club.

Frank is employed by Fund American Insurance Co., Newark, N. J.

There is no doubt that the honor bestowed upon you is worthily deserved.

The officers and members unanimously congratulate you, Frank for your loyalty and devotion to Council 4504

## Knights of Columbus Pocono Winter Weekend

Feb. 3, 4, 5, 1967 . . . Mt. Airy Lodge

\* \* \* \$55.00 per person \* \* \*

This includes:

Departure by bus from club house, Union, about 6 P.M.

Deluxe accommodations with private bath.

Sat. and Sun. breakfast, lunch and dinner.

All gratuities and state taxes.

Indoor swimming.

Cocktail lounge.

Ice skating, sleighing.

Tobogganing, skiing.

Music and entertainment nightly. Cocktail party before dinner on Saturday or Sunday.

Rooms assigned in order of reservations.

Immediate deposit of \$20.00 per person, balance due in December. For further information please contact VINCE IANNUZZI

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## OBSCENITY AND THE SUPREME COURT

The following is a condensation of an article appearing in a recent edition of America.

On March 21, 1966, the United States Supreme Court handed down three historic decisions. In the first two of these, conviction for the sale of obscene books were upheld — the first to be so upheld in the history of the court. In the third, a finding that John Cleland's classic, Fanny Hill, was suppressible was reversed. In each instance, the court faced the problem of working out an honest accommodation between the requirements of free speech, the hopes of legitimate artistic expression and the simple demands of common decency.

In most states of the United States, the possession, exhibition or dissemination of obscenity is proscribed. On the federal level, its interstate transportation or mailing is a criminal offense.

The first reported action against a book was brought in 1708, in England.

In 1857, Lord Chief Justice John Campbell secured the passage of the Obscene Publications Act. This statute was widely and successfully employed. In 1868, it produced the case Regina vs. Hicklin, which gave to the law its most enduring definition of obscenity. Chief Justice Cockburn utilized this in his now famous test. From 1868 to 1957, Cockburn's test dominated the law. This test is, whether the tendency of the matter charged is to deprive the corrupt those whose minds are open to such, immoral influences, and into whose hands (it) may fall.

Many cases have been presented since 1868 and all have some bearing on the latest decisions. The Roth-Alberts case of 1957 tried by the Supreme Court has indeed influenced the present laws concerning obscenity.

#### Life Is Too Short To Be Little . . .

Often we allow ourselves to be upset by small things we should despise and forget. Perhaps some man we helped has proven ungrateful . . . some women we believed to be a friend has spoken ill of us . . some reward we thought we deserved has been denied us . . . we feel such disappointments so strongly that we can no longer work or sleep. But isn't that absurd? Here we are on this earth, with only a few more decades to live, and we lose many irreplaceable hours brooding over grievances that in a year's time will be forgotten by us and by everybody. No, let us devote our life to worthwhile actions and feelings, to great thoughts, real affections, and enduring undertakings. Life is too short to be little.