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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, Joseph P. Miller, 1065 Woolley Ave., Union, MU. 8-7727.

CALENDAR

- FEB. 11 — SUNDAY
Spiritual Bouquet
to the Hierarchy
- FEB. 12 — MONDAY
Regular Council Meeting
8:15 P.M. — Council Home
- FEB. 17 — SATURDAY
Columbian Club Card
Party — 8:00 P.M. —
Council Home
- FEB. 18 — SUNDAY
Day of Recollection
2:00 to 5:00 P.M.
St. Michael's Church
- FEB. 19 — MONDAY
Six Point Chairmen Meeting
— 8:15 P.M. —
Council Home
- FEB. 26 — MONDAY
Regular Council Meeting
8:15 P.M. — Council Home
- MAR. 3 — SATURDAY
District Deputy
Frank Jackiewicz Night
Council Home
- MAR. 5 — MONDAY
Officers' Meeting
1st Degree—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."

The world will be won for Christ by men who know how weak they are from daily self examination. They then place their trust in God who has made them, the God who took human form to save them. Daily they will seek to know his will. Knowing that it is his will should be sufficient motive for doing the most difficult task. We then will gradually grow to that stature that He has planned for each one of us.

Campaign for Decent Literature

Members of the Council have re-activated the Committee of Decent Literature in cooperation with the Parish Committee of St. Michael's Church. Past Grand Knight John Zimmerman was appointed to act as Chairman and Liaison by Grand Knight George Arnold. This all-out effort is the result of a lecture conducted by Detective Magnusson of the Essex County Sheriff's Office, at a previous meeting of the Council.

The increase of the sale of smut on a national scale continues, in spite of the efforts of the Church to curb this type of business. It behooves the Knights of Columbus to join this Committee by actively using their purchasing power to bring this business to a halt.

Boycotting those places of business that sell this type of literature is the only way we will be able to stop it. The books they are offering are attacking the youth of our nation by the breakdown of their morale as a means to weaken the minds of the future leaders of our community and the nation. The criminal leaders who write, publish and authorize these

books are in active cooperation with the leaders of Communism.

The members of the Committee will do their part in visiting the dealers and requesting their cooperation. You can further aid by informing the vendors of your objections and advising them that you will no longer patronize their place of business unless they are willing to stamp out this cancerous growth in our country's moral life. In addition, you should report any indecent literature received in the mails to your local Postmaster who, in turn, will be most willing to turn it over to the proper authorities.

Father and Son Communion Breakfast

Another event that is shaping up as a "must" on our calendar is the Annual Communion Breakfast to be held on Sunday, March 25, 1962. The Breakfast will be held at our Council Home following 8:05 A.M. Mass in St. Michael's Lower Church.

The loyal attendance and cooperation of each and every member are the chief ingredients necessary to make this day a memorable one.

Grand Knight's Message



Dear Brothers:

Most of us in business or industry are aware that January is the month for inventories and plans for the coming year. Since February is Catholic Press month, it is an excellent time for us to take inventory and ask ourselves this question. How many Catholic books, articles and periodicals have we read during the past year? If we limit our reading to daily newspapers, magazines and books not concerned with a Catholic viewpoint, we are not fully informed on the important matters concerning our religion.

It is not sufficient that we, as Catholics, merely attend Mass and the Sacraments regularly. To follow such a procedure, makes us live in a secluded world of our own. It is extremely important that we learn the Catholic outlook on all matters concerning world problems, civic affairs and above all, moral issues. It is important, also, that we keep our thinking sound by forming our opinions based on principles of religion, justice and charity.

Our plans for the coming year should not only include the reading of Catholic literature, but a resolution as well, to take active part in combating indecent publications.

At a recent meeting, we were exposed to the effects of indecent literature. Surely we know the damage such literature inflicts upon our community, especially toward our youth and we, as Knights, are all morally obligated to help in the campaign against indecent literature. Past Grand Knight John Zimmerman has volunteered to assist our Chaplain, Father Driscoll, in a strong drive against indecent literature and we, the Knights of Columbus, should strive to assist them in every possible manner and contribute our efforts to this worthy cause.

Let us then resolve to subscribe to and read only Catholic literature and, at the same time, help stamp out the indecent literature that surrounds us.

Fraternally yours,
George N. Arnold

Intra-Council Bowling League

The night of January 23rd saw Brother Matt Simon score heavily and wind up the night with a 642 series . . . This is a top performance in any man's league . . . The series was made up of 202, 267, and 177. Incidentally, the 267 game ended with a split in the tenth frame. This is the highest series posted in two years.

The team standings still present a pretty tight picture. There are only 13 games separating first and last place teams. The action Tuesday night saw first place change hands again. As we said before, one hot spurt or protracted slump can well mean the difference between first and last place.

Two weeks ago, Brother Ben Godesky ran another Saturday night bowling social for the husbands and wives. The Mrs. Kidzus, Shaw, Kleniewski and Murphy had the honor of beating the old man. For Murphy, it happened three times (and in one night). For Kidzus, this is the second happening in two sessions. More candidates for the Hall of Shame and these four fellers bowl regularly with the league.

Congratulations to Jerry Shaw who made the "200" Club after four years of trying.

Prior to the rolling on Tuesday night, our bowlers had accumulated a total of 521,543 pins. Impressive number without any meaning—except that the figure is startling when you consider this is the work of 60 men for a total of 19 weeks.

Choose that New Member Carefully

Your Membership Chairman, Don Betz, extends an invitation to every Brother to sponsor a candidate in 1962. Let's all get a good start by selecting a prospect who is truly worthy of membership in our Organization. You should select this candidate with as much caution and thought as if you, yourself, were being chosen.

Our Council has scheduled one more Third Degree before the summer months and just think, if each member would try to sponsor one man, this could be the largest showing in our Council's history. Give this some deep thought and bring along that new prospective member.

Safe Driving Corner

John Foley

Some time or another, you probably rode with a friend whose driving habits worried you. Over all, he was not a careless driver but the many minor violations that he committed made you wonder how many accidents he may have been involved in during the past. If your positions were reversed, he might feel the same way about your driving.

Because you are not in control of the vehicle yourself, you lack confidence in the driver's ability to cope with any emergency that might arise due to his disdain for the rules of the road. Try evaluating your own handling of the car while driving and you will find that you are guilty of unsafe movements such as changing lanes without signalling, following too close or failing to keep to the right.

Incidentally, "Keep to the Right" was the first law adopted under the New Jersey Vehicle Act.

HINTS

Never add a sealer to the radiator coolant until the solution reaches operating temperature or the efficiency of the car heater will be greatly reduced.

Keep a set of battery jumpers in the car trunk.

Did You Know?

Polka-dots showed up at the most conspicuous places.

The 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M., on Sundays, will continue.

Newly elected Governor Richard J. Hughes is a Past Grand Knight and also received a Missal from our Council.

The Anniversary Ball will be held at the Military Park Hotel on April 28, this year.

Hypnotism proved successful.

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Mon. thru Thurs. 7 to 12 P.M.
Friday 7 P.M. to ?
Saturday 1 to 5 P.M. and
7 P.M. to ?
Sunday 3 to 12 P.M.

Entries Close March 2 for State Bowling Tournament

The Tenth Annual Knights of Columbus State Bowling Tournament will be held at the Star of the Sea Council #371, Bayonne, New Jersey from April 6 to May 27, 1962.

The Tournament Committee is seeking to obtain the maximum number of teams necessary to make this a great success and anyone who wishes to partake in the Tournament may contact Brother Ben Godesky for full details.

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