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A Letter to the Editor of: "K of C Digest"

We were recently requested by our Pastor in the Weekly Bulletin of the Immaculate Conception Church in Elizabeth, to write to our U.S. Senators in protest of a proposed bill, introduced in the Senate through the influence of that Arch Atheist Madelyn Murray. This Bill #RM2493 would ban all religious programs from radio or television broadcasts.

Murray, you will recall, is the one responsible for removal of prayers from our public schools.

I attach a copy of the letter I wrote to Senators Williams and Case with hopes that you will print it as a model which can be used by many of our Council 4504 members, to let our elected representatives know of our feelings on the matter.

Senator Harrison Williams
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Senator Williams:

As a constituent, I strongly protest to you against the proposed Anti-Religious Bill #RM-2493. The intent of this bill is to eliminate all religious programs from radio and television. I urge you to vote against its passage.

In recent years there has been a breakdown in the moral values and standards of our Country, particularly among the younger generation. The elimination of prayer from our schools, the freedom given by the Courts in regard to disrespect of our Flag, Supreme Court decisions protecting rights of criminals and giving legal license to pornographers have been the major contributors to this breakdown.

Somewhere this unravelling of the Country's morality has to stop. Hopefully, the defeat of this proposed atheistic bill can be the start to remove all vestiges of religion from our public life, can only further the breakdown of our moral structure and hasten the destruction of our free Society in the U.S.A.

This is a stated objective of our communist enemies. If it succeeds, Marx, Engels, Stalin, et. al. will surely chuckle in Hell!

Yours sincerely,
William D. Renner

State Bowling Tournament News

The 24th Annual K of C State Bowling Tournament is fast approaching. As you may already know, Union Council is hosting this tournament.

We anticipate approximately 340 teams from throughout the State will participate.

In order for our Council to be a fitting host to the approximately 2,400 bowlers, their wives and children, we require the support and assistance of everyone in the Council.

The Tournament Committee urgently requests the help of men and women to serve as Scorekeepers. For those who know how to keep score, but have not done so recently — the Committee will conduct a refresher course. Please contact the Chairman, Bill Bucher — 687-1224 and volunteer your time.

Further, we need Substitute Bowlers, Pacer Teams, Kitchen Help, Waitresses and Waiters to help serve at the Council.

Men and women will also have an opportunity to help in various fund raising activities at both the Council and the Bowling Alley.

The Tournament will be held every Saturday and Sunday — opening on March 20 and concluding April 25 — except for Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.

Saturday Sessions will be at 6:00 p.m. and Sunday Sessions at 2:00 and 5:00 p.m. at the Hy-Way Bowl.

Please contact the Chairman listed below, and help assure the complete success of this affair.

This is another opportunity for you to come out and support your Council. The stature of our Council in the State will be enhanced by your support.

Tournament Chairmen

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Julius J. Kiss 687-5173

Scorekeeper — Asst. Tour. Dir.

Bill Bucher 687-1224

Substitutes, Pacer Teams

Hank Skarbek 761-5274

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687-1566

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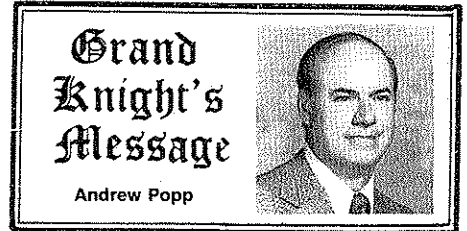
Joe Gluck 686-4642

Milt Rij 688-2759

Waiters, Waitresses & Service Bar

Ken Pinney 686-5650

Julius J. Kiss
Tournament Director



Dear Brothers,

February is the shortest month of the year, but it is filled with holidays and great expectations for the coming of spring.

Our council will sponsor a Valentine Dance on February 14, 1976 for the exceptional children of Camp Fatima. The profits from the affair will help these children enjoy a summer vacation. This promises to be a great dance, with the music of a seventeen piece orchestra. Come out and join the fun.

The Catholic Activity programs continue to be a big success. We owe our thanks to the Catholic Daughters and our committee for the sellout crowd at the Communion Supper in January. It was a credit to both organizations.

Revised By-laws for the council and Columbian club are near completion. Chairman Bob Armstrong, PGK and Jack Winters, PGK will present the By-laws at meetings in the near future. All members will be given advance notice for these meetings.

Members of the Knights of Columbus who attain the Knighthood Degree are entitled to wear the emblem of the order. All third degree members should avail themselves of this privilege. No brother should use or wear the emblem of the order until he has attained the Knighthood Degree. The emblem is a witness to Christ and the sign of a Catholic gentleman. It is recognized and respected by those who know its significance.

Practice the principals of our Order.
Yours in Christ,
Andrew F. Popp
Grand Knight

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New Appointment

On December 31, 1975 James Ford completed his term as Columbian Club representative to the Swim Club.

Lelio Linfonte will be my new appointed representative to the Swim Club.

At this time I would like to thank Jim for his time and efforts while representing the Columbian Club.

Pete Kozloski
Columbian Club President

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Calendar of Events

Feb. 6 Formation of Conscience
(Chaplains Night)
Feb. 14 Big Band — Dance
Feb. 18 Rangers-Capitals Hockey
Feb. 22 Exemplification —
4th Degree
Mar. 5 Sacrament of Penance
'76 Style
(Chaplains Night)
Mar. 6 Knicks-Bullets
Apr. 2 Resurrection — Fact or
Fiction (Chaplains Night)
April 9-10 Tootsie Roll Campaign
April 11 Palm Sunday
April 17 Good Friday
April 18 Easter

MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. Council Officers
2nd & 4th Mon. Regular Council
3rd Mon. Swim Club
1st Wed. 4th Degree Officers
2nd Wed. 4th Degree Color Corps
3rd Wed. 4th Degree Regular
4th Wed. Council Committees
1st Thurs. Expansion Committee
4th Thurs. Columbian Club

Cardinal's Corner

The Exemplification of the Fourth Degree will be held on February 22, 1976 at the Robert Treat Hotel in Newark. Please submit all applications by February 8. For further information, contact any officer of the Assembly.

The Color Corps is interested in recruiting new members. Kindly contact SK David Schardien if you are interested phone 687-0111. Also, Color Corps members will be needed to participate in the Exemplification ceremonies. Please contact SK Schardien if you will be available for this very special occasion.

A warm welcome to our new Fourth Battalion Commander Lt. Commander George Rickert!

Charles Kraemer



Left to right: Mrs. Jean Ebert, Bishop Costello, Father Ed and G. K. Andy Popp.

Charity, Unity, and Fraternity

These attributes of our order were all exemplified at last month's January 9th Communion Supper by everyone who helped set up, serve, and clean up afterwards.

Dominic Zezza and his kitchen help deserve a special note of thanks for the delicious roast beef supper. Pete Kozloski and the Columbian Club did an outstanding job in making the evening a great success.

Worthy G.K. Andy Popp and the council officers deserve special thanks for their enthusiastic support and help in making this Chaplain's Night a success.

Father Ed deserves all of our appreciation for his Chaplain's Night programs. Our attendance at these First Friday Masses, I believe, has proven to Father our desire for the continuation of this type of program.

Our thanks to the Immaculate Heart of Mary #1360 Catholic Daughters of America for their cooperation and willing help in being part of this joint venture with our council.

Henry May
Catholic Activities Chairman

Ranger-Washington Tickets Available

Tickets for the New York Rangers, Washington Capitals hockey game are now available. The game will be played Wednesday, February 18, at Madison Square Garden. Ticket price is \$13.00 which includes admission, round trip bus transportation, sandwiches, beer and soda. Contact Roger Schur at 245-6605 or see me at the K of C meetings to purchase tickets. Unfortunately, there are only 52 tickets available, therefore, sales will be made on a first come, first serve basis. Bus to depart from council parking lot at 5:45 p.m. promptly.

On tap for Saturday, March 6, is the Knicks vs. the Washington Bullets. Tickets are on sale now at \$13.00 each, so buy your tickets early for an exciting night at the Garden.

Roger Schur
Athletic Chairman

Ten Commandments Here or Gone

Have our attitudes toward the Ten Commandments changed over the years since our early childhood learning experience with them? As adults today, do we rationalize new interpretations of the Commandments to suit the forces and pressures exerted by our society on us?

Insight into these questions may be obtained at this month's Chaplain's Night. Father Ed will have a guest speaker — the topic will be "Formation of Conscience".

The evening will start with First Friday Mass at 8 p.m. followed by coffee break and then the guest speaker. Program will conclude promptly at 10 p.m. Remember the date — Friday, February 6, 1976.

Henry Mey
Catholic Activities Chairman

Editor's Corner

YOU TELL WHAT YOU ARE

You tell on yourself by friends you seek, by the very manner in which you speak; by the way you employ your leisure time, by the work parties you make during the Summertime.

You tell what you are by the emblem you wear, by the spirit in which your burdens you bear; by the meeting you attend at the Council Hall, by the fun you have at the Grand Knights Ball.

You tell what you are by the way you walk, by the things of which you delight to talk; by the manner in which you bear defeat, by so simple a thing as how you eat.

You tell what you are when with your brother Knights, you obey the rules and respect their rights; so there's really not a particle of sense in an effort to keep up false pretense.



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Edward M. Swierzbinski

Cardinal Newman wrote,

"Man is **not** a reasoning animal. He is a seeing, feeling, contemplating, acting animal! The heart is commonly reached not through reason but through direct impressions. The sight of belief in others is next to seeing yourself. **Holiness embodied in personal form not in abstract propositions**, converts and holds the world to Christ. Its force is next only to that of the grace of God.

That is the impact of a Mother Theresa of Calcutta. She and her followers collect the dying from the street so that they may leave life in peace among friends. They rescue abandoned newborn babies, nurse them to health, find homes for them. They seek out the deceased and the hurt, sponging maggot-bloated wounds as if — an image that sustains them — they were sponging the wounds of Jesus.

There are lonely, sick, frustrated, angry, abandoned people of all ages around us. There are those in hospitals, nursing homes, senior citizen homes, those in prison or emotionally disturbed waiting for our loving care.

Come, pray that we will become sensitive to each other — that we will see Jesus in everyone and be blind to everything else.

Remember the First Fridays,
Father Ed

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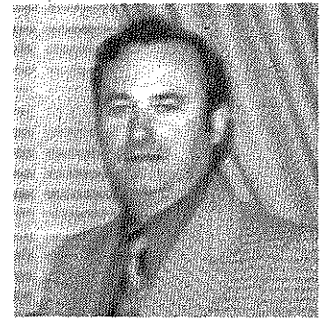
Memories

The first official meeting of Union Council was held on December 2, 1957 at the American Legion Hall. The reading of minutes was dispensed with, due to the conferring of the first degree on the first half of the Charter Class — 67 Candidates. The degree was held in honor of Rev. Fr. Joseph Driscoll. It may be interesting to scan the list and jog a few memories:

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F. James	C. Smialowicz
F. Jurusik	A. Struening
J. Kinney	W. Taylor
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R. Kotchkowski	J. Vergura
E. LeCompte	L. Zehnbauer Sr.
R. Lynch	L. Zehnbauer Jr.
S. Majrkzan	W. Donnelly
A. Martin	P. Rakowski
M. Matarazzo	R. Kaiser
O. J. Mende	F. Basil
O. P. Mende	Rev. Frederick Eid
	Rev. Joseph Driscoll

Only 34 of this class of 67 are still on our roster, but a good number of these are still to be seen around the Council Home from time to time.

Knight of the Month



JIM JOHNSON

Jim has been selected as our Knight of the Month for many reasons. For example, he's President of the Council's Bowling League, Admissions Committeeman, Assistant to Father Ed on Chaplain's night, serves on the Catholic and Fraternal Committees, and takes his turn as a council bartender.

When not giving his time at the Council, he can be found at St. Michael's Church as a Commentator, coaching the Little League team, or with the St. Michael's Boy Scouts. Presently, Jim is also Vice President of the St. Michael's Home School Association and their Program Chairman.

Jim is employed as a District Manager for the Equitable Life Assurance Society. He and his pretty understandable wife are the proud parents of 3 boys. Jim Jr. a student of Fairfield University, Conn., Frank — student of Roselle Catholic H. S., and Bob — student at St. Michael's Union.

It is indeed befitting to add to our list of "Knight of the Month" for February 1976, the name of Brother James Johnson.

The Satours

The Satours held their third Annual Cocktail Party at our Council on Saturday, January 10, 1976.

Among those in attendance were Grand Knight Andrew Popp and Columbian Club President Peter Kozloski accompanied by their wives. Also present were Congressman Matthew J. Rinaldo. Mayor John S. Zimmerman, who is a member Satour, was presented with a plaque and gavel in honor of his new position as Mayor. Mrs. Zimmerman also was presented with a gift. Over 100 guests were present.

The "Entertainers" a three piece orchestra, composed of youngsters sponsored by Brother Oscar Ernst, played beautifully during the four hour party and a good time was had by all.

The Satours, a group of Brother Knights of Union Council, with charitable aims were always meeting by chance prior to 1973 in the Club Lounge on Saturdays at around 2 p.m. Hence the name Satour means Saturday at the hour of two.

The Satours are composed of:
John J. Foley — President

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