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BROTHER... CAN YOU SPARE A BUCK? Annual Retarded Citizens Drive — May 1, 2 and 3

Inflation has caused us to alter this phrase from a dime to a dollar but for the benefit derived from the annual retarded citizens drive, it is well worth it.

To make this the biggest and most successful drive ever, we are coming to you for your support. So dig in and pull out that buck and mail it to:

Retarded Citizens Drive
Union Council 4504
1034 Jeanette Avenue
Union, N.J. 07083

Att: Leonard Pannucci or Vic Pugliese

Or better yet deliver it in person when you volunteer an hour to help us solicit funds.

When the need has been great, the brothers of Union Council have always come through, let's make this a year to remember.

Columbian Swim Club News

In response to questions posed by Columbian Swim Club Members, President Vinnie Iannuzzi's answers are as follows:

1. YES there will be water in the CSC Pool to swim in when the pool opens for the 1981 Season.

2. YES the Pool hours are changed for the 1981 Season. The Pool will open from 12 noon to 9:00 p.m. All functions at the pool will commence one hour later than previous years.

3. YES the Swim Club Work Parties have started. The first date was Saturday, March 28, 1981. If you missed the first two; don't despair! All the work did not get finished. Come on out, there is still plenty of work for all. (Every Saturday at 8:30 a.m.) Also on Wednesday evening when Daylight Saving is placed in effect.

4. YES there will be a Mass Pool-side on the Opening Day for the 1981 CSC Season. Watch the May Digest for the Date and Time.

Please be aware that the COLUMBIAN SWIM CLUB is obligated to conform to all the Laws mandated to CONSERVE WATER. this will require some radical changes in the manner in which the CSC uses water derived from the commercial source. When WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES ARE ANNOUNCED PLEASE COOPERATE FULLY IN THE SPIRIT OF COOPERATION NECESSARY TO CONFORM TO THE LAW.

We Need Your Help

Semi-Annual Council Cleanup
Friday, April 17
9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Let's whip our Council into Shape!

An Evening of Recollection in Preparation for Holy Week

The Sacred Heart Devotions for this month will be held on Friday evening, April 3 at 8 p.m. at our council hall. Following Mass, Father Ed will address the group. Father will speak on Prayer and Meditation Commemorating the Great Events of Holy Week. This topic should be of interest and in keeping with the coming of Easter.

Please come out for this and bring a relative or friend.

God's Plan

God has created me
to do Him some definite service.
He has committed some work to me
which He has not committed to another.
I have my mission.
I may never know what it is in this life,
but I shall be told in the next.
I am a link in a chain,
a bond of connection between persons.
He has not created me for nothing.
I shall do good. I shall do his work.

Therefore, I will trust Him
Whatever, wherever I am, I cannot be
thrown away.
If I am in sickness, my sickness may
serve Him.
If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may
serve Him.
He does nothing in vain.
He knows what He is about
He may take away my friends,
He may throw me among strangers
He may make me feel desolate,
make my spirits sing,
Hide my future from me —
Still He knows what He is about.
John Henry Cardinal Newman



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Ed Swlerzbinski

The Holy Season of Lent is rapidly drawing to a close and, as it does, we are about to enter the greatest week of the year — HOLY WEEK. The events we commemorate during Holy Week serve as the foundation of our faith. These are the truths by which Christ proved that you are very important and that you are wanted.

But to appreciate Holy Week, there must be a preparation. The services of Holy Week are actions to be done, worship to be offered, rites to be celebrated by the family — priests and people together. You and I must be prepared.

The first preparation is pastoral. Borrow a missalette or think through what is to happen on each of the days of Holy Week. Perhaps you can discuss it with the family at home before you leave for the Church to commemorate a particular event, then Holy Week will become more significant to you and your family. Each of you will realize how important you really are.

The second preparation is spiritual. Liturgical worship through daily Mass and Communion, private prayer, works of charity — all assist you. This daily preparation should culminate in a good, sincere confession. This confession should occur before Holy Week. In this confession, it might be helpful to reveal not only your sins, but also your moods, your tendencies, your likes and dislikes, your strong opinions. It is a good time to become acquainted with yourself. You might be in for a surprise. To assist you

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. Council Officers
2nd & 4th Mon. Regular Meetings
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

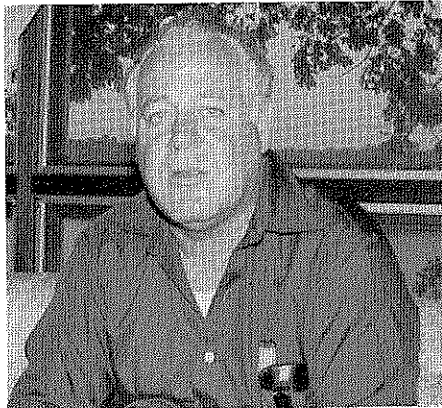
CHAPLAIN'S CORNER (Continued)

every Church schedules extra confession time. If your Church doesn't — go to a neighboring Church. Remember the ideal time to make your Easter confession, if you should want to avail yourself of this sacrament, and I hope you do, is not at the end of Holy Week, but before it starts.

On Passion Sunday (or Palm Sunday — as we used to call it), let our Easter confession be a thing of the past. Let us go forth to Jerusalem with Jesus Christ and there remain and witness the magnificent and moving events that mark the close of Christ's life on earth, so we can participate in the joy and happiness of Easter.

Again a reminder we still need a lot of help in selling tickets for the "Touch of Spring" fund raiser for St. Rose's in Newark. The tickets are \$15. each. For that you get a buffet dinner, live dance band and the chance to win over \$4500. in valuable prizes. It's a Good Cause. Get your tickets from me — 482-0682 or at Fountain Realty, from Barney Capriglione — 964-3143. The Chinese Auction will take place on Saturday, April 25 at Roselle Catholic High School, Roselle, N.J. Come, have a great time and help an inner city parish.

Knight of the Month April 1981



Carl Lardieri

The honor of Knight of the Month for April is given to Carl Lardieri. A member of our council for a relatively short time, Carl has donated many hours of his time and talents behind the scenes. A former Columbian Club Director, Carl has worked tirelessly to enhance the condition of our Council home. Specifically, he was instrumental in the recent building expansion, the installation of the amplifier system, the new burglar alarm system and the beautiful new tile floor in our kitchen. He has also worked at the Semi-Annual Council Clean Up, Swim Club Work Parties and the National Bowling Tournament.

Carl and his wife Marie reside in Union and have five children; Paula, Carl Jr., Vincent, Michelle and Geraldine. They are also grandparents to Kimberly, Adam and Garrett. Carl and Marie are communicants of St. Michael's Church. Carl is employed with Durex Inc for 35 years in Union as a price controller.

Our Council is proud to select and thank Carl Lardieri as Knight of the Month for April.

Summer Volley Ball Meeting

The 1981 Men's and Women's Summer Volley Ball season will begin with a meeting of the team captains or a team representative on May 4th at 8:00 in the Council Hall. Representatives must attend to get their team on the schedule. This meeting will also include discussion on rules and referees.

If you are interested in forming a team, or playing, please contact us before the captains meeting.

Art Reinhard — 688-6931

Ed Stonack — 964-3238

Gary Hornig — 688-5867

Women Call — Connie Foster —
964-1185

Special Events

Interested in an evening with

Frank Sinatra
Barry Manilow
Dolly Parton

At Resorts International in Atlantic City.

Call Lonny Pannucci at 763-0613 (after 6) for more details.

Grand Knights Column

Jim Johnson

In March it was announced that our State Deputy Hugh E. DeFazio received a Papal appointment from Rome as a Knight of St. Gregory. We join his many friends and fellow Knights of Columbus in offering our congratulations and share the feelings of our Holy Father in selecting our State Deputy as a worthy recipient of this singular honor.

I am also happy to announce that Chairman Vince Iannuzzi and his committee raised \$2,900. in the successful Valentine's dance for the retarded citizens of Camp Fatima. Also, P.G.K. Ken Pinney conducted a successful bingo for the victims of the Italian earthquake and raised \$1,000. for St. Gerard's parish in Materdomini, Italy. Both Chairmen and their committees deserve our appreciation for jobs well done. The proceeds of both affairs were presented after the March 9th meeting. Sister Ann Dominic represented Camp Fatima and Mrs. Getta Spatola O'Connor accepted for St. Gerard's parish.

March 29, 1981 was the 99th anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Columbus and the occasion was acknowledged by Union Township Mayor Ed Weber and the entire Township Committee at the meeting in Town Hall on March 10th. A Proclamation was adopted and published in the Union Leader.

Our programs for the month of April begins, appropriately, with our first Friday on the 3rd. Chaplain Father Ed has a program designed specifically for preparation of Holy Week. I hope you will come and share this beautiful evening with us. On April 24, we will have an "EVENING WITH BILL PATANIA" when Bill will provide music from the "forties" and "fifties". Food and drink will be served, so reserve this date on your calendar.

On behalf of my family, I extend our best wishes for a Holy and happy Easter to you and your family.

Telephone

A warm welcome to brothers P.G.K. Bill Taylor and John Carolan who have offered their services to the Committee. Bill is well known to all members and needs no introduction. John is retired from the Telephone Company and resides on Homestead Place, Union. Bill is Captain of Team #9 which consists of brothers Caroselli, Caruso, Cerracchio, Alcamo, Benovengo. The list is short a few names because we do not have proper phone numbers for them. John will be handling Team #3 and will be calling brothers Bachstadt, Ballet, Barbera, De Jura, Bisignano, Barry, Basile, Bassano, Battiato and Bruno.

We are making some radical changes in the structure of the Committee with the view of improving all around results. Therefore, we ask all of the committee

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Planning Calendar

Tel. 686-4504

SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	SAT.
PRAY FOR VOCATIONS			1	2	3 1st Friday Mass 8:00	4
5 4th Degree Communion Breakfast	6 Officers Mtg 8:00	7	8	9	10 Federation Mtg 7:30	11
12	13 Council Mtg 8:15	14	15	16	17 Semi-Annual Council Clean-up 9A.M. Good Friday	18
19 HAPPY EASTER	20 Swim Club Mtg 8:00	21	22 Lights on for LIFE	23 Col. Club Mtg 8:00	24	25
26	27 Council Mtg 8:15	28	29	30	MAY— 1, 2 & 3 Retarded Citizens Drive = Your Help is Needed!	

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members involved in the changes to accept them in good faith. Our primary aim is to increase attendance at wakes and the only way we can attain this end is by making sure every member of the committee is carrying out his assignment. In the past, as you may recall I had asked several captains to call me so that I could determine whether they wished to continue on the committee. I have not heard from most of them so we will replace them as soon as new volunteers become available. Therefore, we continue our appeal to you to come forward and offer your services to the committee. In this respect, we ask all present Captains, when they make the next calls, to inquire of any brother on their list that they feel would be a good prospect, if they would like to help us out by being a captain.

Art Weber
688-7269

Random Thoughts

Politics isn't too bad a profession. If you succeed there are many rewards. If you disgrace yourself, you can always write a book . . . With all the new credit restrictions we begin to wonder if there is life after debt . . . Honeymoon: That wonderful period between "I do" and "you'd better" . . . This past June the F.W. Woolworth Company celebrated its 101st birthday as the world's first five and dime store. However, there is no longer a single store in the chain where customers can buy an item for a nickel or a dime . . . Two kinds of families are likely to have antique furniture, the kind with money and the kind with children . . . Be kind to birds. The dove brings peace, the robin brings spring and the stork brings tax exemptions . . . Your "inner clock," the idea of how quickly current time is passing, speeds up as you get older, according to research at Penn State University. Aging speeds a person's

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sense of retrospective time, that feeling of looking back, the years seem to have flown by. And women overestimate the passage of time more than men do . . . There is something to be said about the fellow who went to college and majored in art and logic. At least he can draw his own conclusion . . . Sign in front of a church: "Prepare for your finals. Study your Bible here" . . . Bank: a place where you keep the government's money until the government asks for it back again . . . A hangover is when everything you poured down your throat has gone to your head . . . The emphasis today on the shortage of priests, sisters and brothers prompted a pastor to ask from his pulpit "Do you parents talk to your children about vocations?" A mother of five teenagers said to her friend when she heard about it, "Yeah, every day I tell them I should have been a nun!" . . . "Beauty on the outside never gets in the soul, but beauty of the soul reflects itself on the face." (Bishop Sheen)

Jim Moran P.G.K.

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