



# Knight Digest



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## Township K of C Softball Team

Well Brother Knights, plans are proceeding right on schedule for our Softball team. We have **uniforms, bats and balls** and need only one more thing . . . **Your Names.** Any Union Council member interested in coming out for the team is asked to please fill out the form below and mail it to me at the following address:

Wayne Williams  
302 Stoughton Avenue  
Cranford, New Jersey 07016

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Position desired \_\_\_\_\_

We have not had a team for quite a few years, and since OUR Council is going to sponsor this team, we await your replies with great interest. Initial reaction to the team has been quite encouraging.

The cut-off date for those members interested in registering to play is March 25, 1978, so please fill out the above form and mail it to me the first chance you get.

Wayne Williams  
Athletic Chairman

## The Cardinal's Corner

The John F. Kennedy, Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus will hold its annual Communion Breakfast on March 12, 1978. The mass will be at 9 a.m. at St. Theresa's Church, Kenilworth, followed by breakfast at the Knights of Columbus home, 191 Market Street, Kenilworth.

The guest speaker will be the Most Rev. Bishop Dominic Marconi — Episcopal Vicar for Union County.

The price is \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children. For tickets call Dave Schardien — 687-0111 or Robert Armstrong — 686-8548.

## First Friday

The highlight of our Chaplain's First Friday Series will take place on February 3, 1978. This is Clergy Appreciation Night when we honor the Clergy of our local parishes. It will be a dinner-Mass affair co-sponsored by your Council and the Court Immaculate Heart of Mary 1360 Catholic Daughters of America. There will be a full course dinner of roast beef and all the trimmings following the Mass which will be at 7:30 p.m. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN TIME. Our guest is His Excellency Bishop Robert F. Garner, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark Archdiocese and Vicar of Bergen County. His topic is Parish Life.

Tickets for this event are \$3.50 per person and may be obtained or reserved by contacting Grand Knight Ken Pinney — 686-5650, Art Weber — 688-7269 or Rose Cosenza — 686-1817.

As usual on the first Fridays, everyone is welcome, members and non-members alike. Please come and bring along a guest.

## FAMILY DINNER

**Come One, Come All,  
To Our K. of C. Hall**

**DATE: Sunday, February 19**

**TIME: 1 p.m.-5 p.m.**

**PLACE: Union Council #4504**

**PRICE: \$2.50 per person**

**MEAL: Roast Beef, Potatoes,**

**Vegetables, Bread and**

**Butter, Dessert and Coffee.**

**COOK: Milton Rij & Committee**

## Athletic News & Events Pro Basketball

On Friday night, March 10th, the NEW JERSEY STATE K of C is sponsoring a "Night at the 'Nets" for us. The game is going to feature "Pistol" Pete Maravich (who is currently the NBA's top scorer) and his New Orleans Jazz team against the New Jersey nets.

Since the State K of C is sponsoring this game we can all benefit by purchasing tickets at **reduced** rates. Tickets normally selling for \$8.00 can be purchased for only \$6.00 for adults and at a 50% reduction of only \$4.00 for anyone 18 or under.

Please contact me at 272-7692 if you are interested in going to Rutgers gymnasium in Piscataway for this event.

Wayne Williams  
Athletic Chairman



## Non-Smoking Section

Our first meeting of the year 1978 of Union Council was marred by inclement weather holding the attendance down to a minimum. Its a shame my brother Knights missed this meeting. This was our **FIRST NON-SMOKING MEETING OF THE NEW YEAR.**

The air was clear — members present were breathing freely — committee reports were understandable — no hacking or coughing could be heard — no tobacco smells — no need for the exhaust fans. Yes, brothes you missed it. **BUT — Why don't you come out and join our non-smoking members at our next meeting — sit in with us and enjoy a meeting without smoking. I must tell you that the smokers in attendance cooperated magnificently for about two hours without lighting up a smoke. I'm sure that they too enjoyed the meeting without smoking.**

**IMAGINE:** The federal government spending 23 million dollars for you smokers to kick the habit.

**IMAGINE:** The State of Connecticut having a **NON-SMOKING DAY** — Jan. 12, 1978.

**IMAGINE:** The Knights of Columbus 4504 having a **NON-SMOKING** business portion of their bi-monthly meeting for two hours.

Won't you join us at the next meeting and sit in the **NON-SMOKING** section.

**"ITS YOUR HEALTH — KICK THE SMOKING HABIT".**

Non-Smoking Chairman  
Edward R. Stonack

## Swim Club

The Annual Meeting which was postponed due to the snow storm has been rescheduled for Monday, February 20th at 7:30 p.m.



## Personality Profile Christopher Columbus (Part Four)

After Queen Isabella turned down Columbus' plans for his voyage a sad mariner planned to leave Spain forever. But the Queen exercised her woman's prerogative and changed her mind. It is believed that a Luis de Santangel, one of the few supporters of Columbus in the Spanish court, convinced the Queen great glory would come from a voyage to spread Christianity to the heathens. The enterprize had now taken on a religious aspect which was now more important than gold and spices and new land. To finance this project Luis de Santangel contributed, the port city of Palos was assessed the cost of two vessels, and some friends of Christopher loaned him the money for one eighth of the cost, the remainder coming from the royal treasury. Columbus had his demands met, which included one eighth of the profits. The story of Queen Isabella offering to "sell her crown jewels to finance the expedition" has no basis of fact. "She was too shrewd to have to resort to that." Actually, she was very clever in spreading the cost and even persuaded Columbus to put up some money himself. Among the decrees issued from the crown to start the voyage was one that gave suspension of criminal proceedings against any man who signed on with Columbus. This was to be for the duration of the voyage and for two months after the return. When the ship's destination was announced, men (seamen and otherwise) hid in the hills of the port town of Palos. No one wanted to sail on a "sea of darkness" where there were untried dangers and sea monsters that defied description.

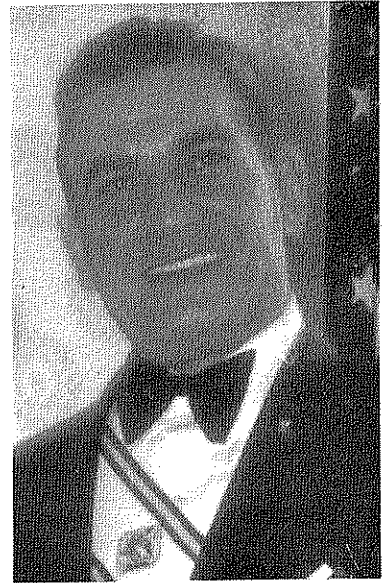
One factor that helped to get men to sign on was when Martin Pinzon, a successful sea captain of Palos, volunteered to sail with Columbus. He was joined by his brother Vicente. Both these men were respected mariners of Spain. When you consider the ships that were used by today's standards it is amazing they set out for such a trip. The largest ship of the three, and the one Columbus himself was on, was 110 tons, only 80 feet long, and 25 feet in width. This was the Santa Maria. The Nina and Pinta were smaller. The ships holds were filled with supplies so there was no living space for the crew. They would bed down on the deck huddled in their cloaks (this was the usual custom of that time). There were 40 men on the Santa Maria, 26 on the Pinta and 24 on the Nina. Contrary to some accounts only four convicts took advantage of the royal decree, the rest were experienced seamen. Most of my sources agree that Columbus was a master at "dead-reckoning" navigation. Today's navigators express wonder at his skill. He used the mariner's magnetic compass for direction but actually estimated his speed through the water by as we say today "the seat of his pants". In the next installment we'll follow his first voyage to a new world.

Jim Moran P.G.K.

## Sports Quiz

1. What pitcher holds the major league record for striking out the most consecutive times?
2. Who scored the most points in a single football season by kicking only?
3. Who is the only man to play major league baseball in the 1940s, '50s, '60s, and '70s?
4. Between Pete Rose, Joe Morgan, and Lou Brock, which has not topped 100 homers, triples, doubles, and steals in his career?
5. Between Bud Grant, Don Shula, and Tom Landry, which has coached his team the longest?
6. Who holds the New York Yankee club record for strikeouts in a season?
7. Who holds the NBA record for most glass backboards shattered on slam-dunks?
8. When Roger Maris hit his 61st home run in 1961, what was the final score of the game?
9. At the closing of 1976, which NFC team has the best all-time winning percentage against AFC teams?
10. In the 1969 World Series, which Met player took first base when shoe polish was found on the ball?
11. Which pro football team had three Heisman Trophy winners playing in the same year, the '56 Lions, '70 Chiefs, or '47 Rams?
12. True or False: NFL teams usually lose a Sunday game after playing on a Monday night!
13. Which team won the first overtime game in NFL history, 1955?
14. What team led the NBA last season in field goal percentage?
15. What player holds the NFL record for touchdown passes (5) in a single game; Gale Sayers, Bob Shaw, Dub Jones?

(Answers on back page)



## Knight of the Month Daniel Raimondo

Danny joined our order in February of 1966 and has been selected as our Knight of the Month because of his many activities involving the summer activities program, helping to decorate for our council dances, lending a hand in the kitchen and assisting with the Friday dance classes. He has made himself available to many committee chairmen. Danny is always ready to give a hand when needed. When there's work to be done, look around, you'll see him!

Danny is married with two daughters and four grandchildren. He is employed by Singer Kearfott as a cost analyst engineer.

Danny is also a member of the John F. Kennedy Assembly Fourth Degree.

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