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Christmas Gifts For The "Military"

The Veterans Committee" is planning to send Christmas packages this year to all Brother Knights, or their sons or daughters, who are serving in the armed forces of the United States. If you know of anyone in the military service, please submit their full name, rank, complete military address, and home telephone number to the Council, on or before November 15. This information should be given to the Committee Chairman, Michael A. La Motta, who can be reached at 688-7167. If there is a change in the address after submission of a name, please notify the chairman, so that this worthwhile endeavor can be achieved in the time specified. For those of you who submitted the names of military personnel last year, who are still in active service, it is requested that you inform us of their current mailing address.

Mike La Motta — Chairman

Third Annual Family Communion Breakfast

Mark your calendar to reserve **Sunday morning, November 15** for the following:

9:00 A.M. Mass at St. Michael's Church
10:15 A.M. Breakfast at the Council

The 9:00 A.M. Mass will be celebrated in memory of our departed brothers. Whether or not you plan to attend the breakfast, you are encouraged to join the council at this Mass.

Following Mass, bring your appetite to the council for breakfast and a speaker who will address us on the Centennial Anniversary of our order.

Tickets to the breakfast can be obtained by contacting Roger Burns at 665-0799 or through Roger Schur or Bill Heady. Prices are \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children 12 or under. Tickets must be purchased in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Sacred Heart Devotion

The monthly Sacred Heart Devotion will be held on Friday evening, November 6 at 8 P.M. Following Mass, our speaker this month is Monsignor Richard McGuinness, Rector of Mount Saint Marys of Emmitsburg, Maryland. Monsignor will speak on "Vocations and Seminaries".

To learn what's happening in the seminaries both now and in the future, come join us.

Roger Burns
Church Activities

People are dying for your help.

Give blood.



Red Cross. The Good Neighbor.

Blood Drive

Nov. 22

Membership

To date, fifty new "Centennial Year" members have been inducted into the Union Council. This is exactly 25% of the council goal of 200 "Centennial Year" members. This is a very good beginning; however, we still have quite a way to go, and the time is growing shorter.

We are appealing to all members, especially to the new members, to help us achieve our goal by sponsoring at least one new member.

For the benefit of the new members, the Council has authorized the following award to members sponsoring more than one new member:

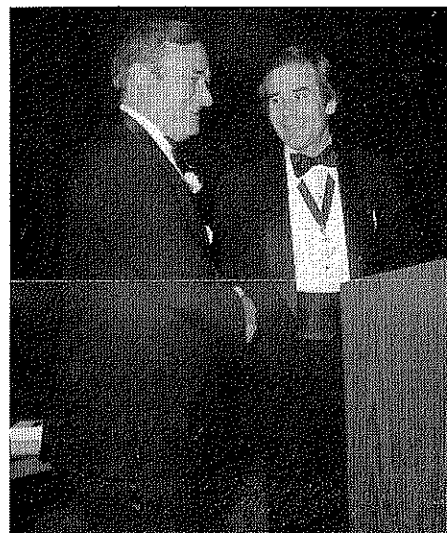
For sponsoring a minimum of two new members, a Third Degree lapel pin will be awarded.

A member sponsoring a minimum of four new members will be awarded a license plate commemorating the "Centennial year" of the Order.

Completed applications should be returned to the Council home as soon as possible for processing by the "Admissions Committee." Additional applications may be obtained at the Council home or by calling 964-0429.

Wesley Czap
Membership Director

PGK JIM JOHNSON HONORED



Union Council 4504 Knights of Columbus honored their Past Grand Knight James F. Johnson at a dinner dance on Saturday, September 26th at the council home.

The Johnson family was at hand to hear our Grand Knight Roger Schur speak and pay tribute to a man who has given his time and talent to our council. Chairman Mike Herrightly was the Master of Ceremony for the evening which was a nice touch. Presentations during the evening were made by Grand Knight Roger Schur who presented Jim with his PGK ring and jewel. The officers of Union Council awarded Jim with an appropriate gift which was presented by Deputy Grand Knight Henry Mey. The traditional PGK's photo album was given by PGK and Public Relation chairman Barney Capriglione. Roseanne Schur made a special presentation to Dotty Johnson. Also on hand to make a presentation was State Deputy Robert Wade who presented Jim with the coveted Century Award, District Deputy Ray Jannelli presented the Past Grand Knight's certificate and Past State Deputy Hugh DeFazio presented a few nice words in Jim's honor. The marvelous dinner and fine entertainment provided by the Perfect Combination was enjoyed by all.

It was an outstanding and memorable evening for Jim Johnson and his lovely family.

New Years Eve Dance

Dec. 31st

44.00 Per Couple

Make Reservations by Nov. 30

Call

Mike Herrightly — 964-3841

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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

Calendar of Events

November

8 Right To Life Rose Sunday at St. Michael's Church
 9 Memorial Serice prior to regular Meeting
 14 K of C bingo at Boy's Club
 28 Knight Club Dance
 29 Right To Life Rose Sunday at Holy Spirit Church

December

4 First Friday Program
 13 Camp Fatima children Christmas Party
 14 Christmas Dinner Meeting
 20 K of C children Christmas party
 31 New Year's Eve Dinner Dance



Brother Knight Any Popp, Mike Ward, Tom Hornig, Barney Capriglione and Mike Bizon work feverishly over the hot grills cooking and serving up the spare ribs.

Knight of the Month November 1981



Patrick Giannotta

Our recipient for Knight of the Month for November is Patrick Giannotta.

A member for only a short period of time, Pat became involved in our Council programs. He was appointed Right to Life Chairman last year and again accepted this Chairmanship for the current Columbian year.

His responsibilities as Right to Life Chairman have included coordinating the Rose Sundays where donations are collected at the doors of St. Michael's and Holy Spirit Churches. These donations help defray the cost of the bus trip to Washington, D.C. for the "March for Life".

Pat's enthusiasm is demonstrated by his creation of a Right to Life Information Digest that he distributes at Council meetings.

Pat is a History teacher at Irvington High School. He resides in Union and is a communicant of St. Michael's Church.

Our Council is proud to present the honor of Knight of the Month for November to Patrick Giannotta.



Picnic Chairman, Mike Herrightly and his wife Barbara pose with Grand Knight Roger Schur and Chaplain Fr. Ed, as they all take a breather by the bar (Mike was at that same spot all day).

Grand Knight's Column

Roger F. Schur



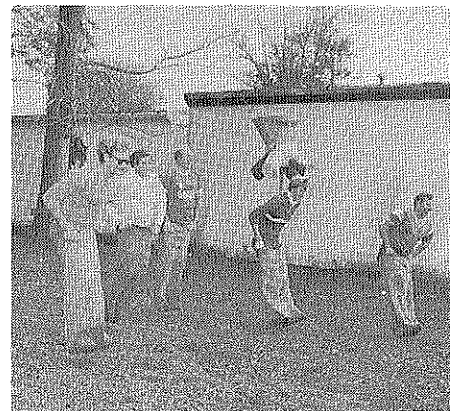
November is the month to be thankful. We must sit back and reflect on how lucky we are to have our health, our families and the love of God. We must also realize how important it is to continue to help the disadvantaged and the sick. An excellent way to show this feeling of giving is by participating in our annual blood drive at the council. On Sunday, November 22, the North Jersey Blood Bank will be ready to draw blood from all those brother knights, their wives and children who are eligible. This is truly a worthy cause. Let us all give thanks as we pray together at the annual Family Communion Breakfast. Prior to the breakfast at the 9:00 a.m. mass at St. Michael's church we will also pay tribute to all our departed brothers. We will all gather as a whole in front of the church. This should prove to be an enjoyable event for all.

Finally, as I have just finished my first quarter as your Grand Knight in this new term, I must thank all my officers, directors and chairman for the excellent support of the programs thus far. It's this kind of support, both physical and psychological, that makes it a real pleasure to be the Grand Knight of Union Council and be able to work with such a fine group of men. Many thanks again for your loving support, for you are uniquely special people. To you officers, directors, chairmen and members on behalf of my wife, Roseanne, and my daughter, Danielle, we wish you and your families a healthy and happy Thanksgiving. God Bless You.

Roger F. Schur
Grand Knight

Council Picnic Enjoyed by All

September 19th the Council held their annual picnic at the Council home. Approximately 300 members and their families were in attendance. Regardless of the weather everyone enjoyed the food, drink, pony rides and festivities. The committee under the guidance of Chairman Mike Herrightly did a superb job.



Athletic Chairman Jack Kelly leads the rest of the pack in the sack race. Of course, in the best interest of Jack's career in the Knights, he let Grand Knight Roger Schur win.



Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Ed Swierzbinski

As I wrote before we should give good example in speech and actions. But our goal is not just negative — There is something positive we can and in these troubled times must do. As I said often we need a miracle of Grace. Jesus is God and can do it if enough of us ask.

There is power in the name of Jesus. — The Acts of the Apostles tells us "there is no other name under Heaven given to men whereby we must be saved." The Acts tell us that in the name of Jesus the good news of the Gospel is preached, people are converted, baptism is conferred, cures and other miracles are accomplished. In the early church, Origen, the famous ancient writer, said, "Even today the name of Jesus calms troubled souls, put devils to flight, cured the sick; its use infuses a kind of wonderful sweetness, it assures purity of morals, it inspires kindness, generosity, mildness . . ."

The desert Fathers knew very well the tremendous power in the name of Jesus. They used it frequently and formulated ejaculations or short prayers with the name of Jesus as focal point.

The early form of the Jesus prayer was not a fixed one. "Jesus" was, however, the essential element in the prayer. Sometimes the name was used alone; other times it was associated with some short invocation.

The most frequently used formula today is: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner."

Anyone can use the Jesus Prayer. It can be vocal or mental. It can be said at anytime and anyplace. It can and should be said frequently during the day. If we can get a few quiet moments — fine — say the Jesus Prayer. If we are stressed — great — say the Jesus Prayer. If you are traveling — The Garden State Parkway during commuter times — a great time to say the Jesus Prayer over and over — bet you lose some tension. Wherever and whoever you are say the Jesus Prayer. Either the name above — "Jesus" or some formula like: "Lord Jesus Christ, son of God, have mercy on me a sinner."

See you first Friday — come pray and share with us. If you want to learn more about the Jesus Prayer come early to the meetings or to the first Friday and ask me.

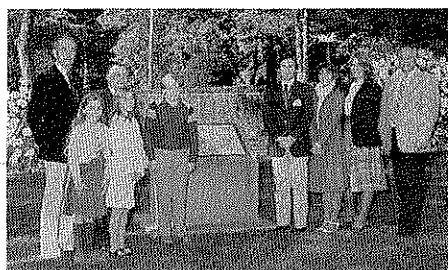
* **IF you want a** *
* **new member** *
* **ASK HIM!** *

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Columbus Day Ceremony

On Sunday The Citizens Committee for Columbus observed their annual Columbus Day Program at Columbus Park, Union. 5th Grade Winner of the Essay Contest "What Columbus Means to Me" is Jill Schweikert from Holy Spirit School who received first place honors and a \$50.00 Savings Bond. Tie for 2nd place were Cyndi Wilson Hamilton School and James Pettesch from St. Michael's School. Behind them and making presentation for the Brotherhood of St. Anthony is Dominick Facetano. Roger Schur Grand Knight of Union Council 4504 Knights of Columbus was guest speaker and presented Essay awards to the 8th Grade Winners. 1st Place and winner of a \$50.00 Savings Bond was Melissa Newman, 2nd pl. Lisa Tinnirello and 3rd pl. (not present). Harold Fischer all of Burnett Jr. High. Barney M. Capriglione Executive Director of Citizens Committee for Columbus.

Essay Contest

Our annual "Essay Contest" is underway. The theme this year is "My Community — How Can I Make It A Better Place To Live".

All 7th, 8th and 9th graders are urged to participate. Check with your schools for contest rules.

Punt-Pass-And-Kick

Reminder: This contest will be held at Biertuempful Park on November 14, 1981 at 10:30 A.M. Rain date is November 15, 1981 at 12 Noon.

Basketball Free Throw

This contest will be held on December 5, 1981 from 1:30 P.M. to 3:45 P.M., at the Union Boys Club. boys and girls 11-through 14 years of age are eligible.

Entry forms and other information will be available at the Council after November 1, 1981. All forms must be returned to the Council by November 25, 1981. Proof of age must accompany all applications.

Winners in each age group will receive Council awards and advance to the next level of competition.

Any questions concerning this or any other youth event, call Tom McGarvey at 964-4258.

Thomas J. McGarvey
Youth Activities Director

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ATHLETIC NEWS & EVENTS

At the October Officer's Meeting, four names were drawn by the Officers as the **lucky winners** of the N.Y. Yankee Playoff tickets. Congratulations go to:

Robert Dayke
Al Carbone
Herbert Herm
Lonnie Pannucci

Each of the above individuals received two tickets apiece. We appreciated everyone's participation in the raffle and hope that the four winners enjoyed themselves at the games.

It is **very important** that you watch for notices at the Council pertaining to upcoming events. In the very near future we are planning excursions to the Meadowlands (for basketball), Atlantic City and to Madison Square Garden for the Ice Capades. Please continue to check the **Council Bulletin Board** or see **Jack Kelly** or **Wayne Williams** for further details. You can also contact Jack at 925-1539. Remember . . . all events are on a 1st come, 1st serve basis.

Jack Kelly & Wayne Williams
Athletic Chairman

Personality Profile Tom Hornig — Chancellor

Tom Hornig and his wife Ann are the parents of three daughters and one son. Karen, Lisa, Nancy and Gary who is the editor of this publication. The Horning Family were chosen as the Catholic Family of the Year by the New Jersey State Council. Tom has been employed by the C.E. Lumms Company as a senior Designer for 25 years. The company is connected with oil refineries and chemical plants. His favorite sport is bowling and he belongs to our council league. Some of his leisure time is spent on projects around the house (depending on Ann's ideas). He enjoys the card game of Uno, although he says he plays with a group of cheaters! Trips to the Jersey shore for vacation is a favored pastime for the Hornigs. Tom and Ann have also taken a Caribbean Cruise and a trip to Nassau in the Bahamas. They are members of the Holy Spirit Church in Union. Some years ago one of our Past Grand Knights got Tom involved in our program. Our chancellor found satisfaction in being part of successful events ran by the Knights. He feels the church, fraternal and community affairs we have are worthwhile, and he feels good to be able to assist. Personal trait — Aside from his "Don't worry about it" attitude, he is serious about his family, job and K of C activities. Tom is noted for his loyalty to his friends.

Jim Moran

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