

## GRAND KNIGHT BONNER RELEASES MID-YEAR COUNCIL REPORT: TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, CHAIRMEN COMMENDED FOR EXCELLENT WORK

### ACTIVITIES SUMMARIZED AT MIDYEAR

In a very thorough report released this week, our Grand Knight, Bill Bonner, took time out to reflect on the progress made thus far in the current term and restress goals set for the entire year. He is lavish in his praise of all those who have accepted the many posts annually assigned for their wholehearted cooperation and fine performances.

"Time has a way of flying by," Bonner reminded, "and it is sometimes difficult to realize that one-half of the current 1964-1965 council year is now history. As with any organization, we had certain goals in mind. At the onset, plans were formulated which would be beneficial to our council in particular and for the continuance and furtherance of Columbianism in general.

"As most members are aware, each council works within the framework of rules and regulations set down by the Supreme Council and the State Council. These rules and regulations must be complied with, in order for a council to keep its charter and be in good standing. The responsibility for seeing this is done rests largely with your officers, and, in particular, with the Trustees and Financial Secretary. It can be reported, without any qualifications, that the Trustees have done their jobs reliably and on time as watchdogs of the council's finances. Financial Secretary, Wayne MacPeterson, has continued to carry out his burdensome job in his usual quiet, efficient, and prompt manner. A financial secretary can make or break a council, and we continue to be deeply indebted to him for his dedication and devotion. He has a difficult job to do and let us make it a little more pleasant for him by seeing to it that our dues payments come in to him on time."

### SIX POINT CHAIRMEN LAUDED

Observing that the 6-Point Committee is the tool provided for accomplishment of a council's various programs, Bonner singled out PKG Bill Beyer for praise deserved for the way he has headed this area as General Program Chairman. Under his direction, Council 4731 enjoys

a position of 94th in the state, among 270 councils.

Catholic Activity Chairman, Ed Zarn, Sr. has arranged for our Quarterly Communions and for the coming annual retreat. It is his job to see that we continue to act like and be exemplary Catholic gentlemen. Our GK observed that we can please Zarn no end "... by attending the Quarterly Communions. We still have communions before July and please plan to make an extra effort to attend."

Council Activity Chairman, Tony Havelka, came in for very high praise for the magnificent job he has done, particularly in the Homecoming arrangements. The Council-sponsored bowling team comes under this department, which coordinates the activities between the council and the surrounding communities.

Don Weindorf has taken the bull by the horns, according to Bonner, in a most emphatic way, in his role of Fraternal Activities Chairman, handling the Knight-of-the-Month awards, preparing the council roster, arranging the impressive Memorial Service, and working with Adam Hesser to establish a council Blood Bank.

Doing double duty as Warden and Membership Chairman, Joe Kucharik, continues his drive for new members, transfers and re-instatements. Noting that "We are fortunate in having a man of Joe's caliber in this frustrating job," Bonner calls for hats off to Kucharik for his dedication and exuberance, as shown in the tremendous Open House and the November 4 1st Degree Exemplification.

Providing our Council with the widest Public Relations coverage we have ever enjoyed, Len Emery continues, as Public Relations Chairman, to see that our doings appear in local papers and are heard on radio. He only asks that he be contacted when an event needs publicity.

Youth Activity Chairman, Paul Leary has carried out several programs, headed by the Annual Christmas Party, when Bill Kacvinsky stepped in to do his usual fine job for Paul. Leary also arranged for the monumental task of having our roster typed and printed.

Bonner went on with thanks to the Kay Cee Club, under the presidency of PGK A. Spakowski, responsible for big social affairs of the year. Special commendation go to Clambake co-chairmen: Art Schmotzer and Bob Gomola; Hard-Times Dance Chairman, Don Kane; and Post New Year's Dance Chairman, Jay Ellis. Thanks, too, to Ray Hepler, PGK Ben Lyons, and Bob Gomola for our float, which was entered in both the North Olmsted Homecoming and the Cleveland Columbus Day Parades. This, says Bonner, "is a perfect example of what a little drive and initiative can do in promoting our council's name and Columbianism in general, before the public."

Brother Jay Ellis chairmanned our finest State Youth Drive ever. His efforts, together with those of his chairmen, division leaders and team captains, have made it possible to continue our various youth programs and scholarships.

Henry Kleimenz continues to amaze our Grand Knight and all of us with his zeal and fervor. Wherever there is something going on, he is one of the hardest working members (Booth-Chairman at the Homecoming):

Co-Chairman of the State Youth Drive; tireless worker on the float construction, etc.). "Johnny-on-the-spot" in every activity, his sense of humor enabled many to carry on in the face of adversity.

Deputy Grand Knight, Ted Mack, assuming his responsibilities to the fullest, being available at all times and places, is another who has worked on just about every activity. Last but not least, we are exceptionally blessed in having a Chaplain who not only has the K of C at heart, but makes himself available whenever possible, from his limited time. We are eternally grateful to Fr. Wagner for his inspiring timely words at our meetings.

With this, Grand Knight Bonner concluded his report, to which we would like to add a post-script. We are very fortunate to have as our Grand Knight a man like Bill Bonner who has proven to be a tireless Knight, inspiring to senior and junior brothers alike. It is a pleasure to work with and for him and we look forward to an even more successful second half of his current term.

### 25th ANNUAL K. OF C. TRACK MEET

The Silver Anniversary Track Meet of the K of C will be on Saturday night, March 19, 1965, at the Cleveland Arena.

GK Bill Bonner has a good section of tickets available at a cost of \$3.00 each. From now until Feb. 1, there is a special discount deal on these: an adult can buy a \$3.00 ticket and take two children with him (age 12 or less) for the price of \$1.00 each; total of \$5.00, for father and two children.

Anyone interested, call Bill Bonner at 777 1533.

### SUMMER FESTIVAL PLANS MADE

Get yourselves ready . . . hold onto your hats! ! !

The Council announces at this time plans to conduct a carnival at the Great Northern Shopping Center during the weekend of July 30, 31 and August 1.

General Chairmen are Ray Hepler and PGK Ben Lyons. They are busy setting up the various committees and appointing chairmen. The plans are in the works and proceeding well. This promises to be the biggest such affair ever to hit North Olmsted.

So, get yourselves in the right frame of mind, please, set to do some work if called upon, for the good of both the council and the community. Full details and information will follow.

### MEETING ATTENDANCE COULD PAY

Lecturer Jim McShane announces that no one has yet collected the attendance prize, which has continued to mount at a rate of \$3.00 each week. At stake for the January 20 meeting will be \$15.00; if unclaimed then, \$18.00 may go to the lucky one at the February 5, meeting, if he is present.

### ZARN SCHEDULES WEEKEND RETREAT

Catholic Activity Chairman, Ed Zarn, Sr., announces that the weekend retreat for our council will be held February 5th thru the 7th at St. Stanislaus Retreat House on State Road, Parma, Ohio. This should be a must for as many members as possible. We arrive at the Retreat House on Friday evening in time for dinner and leave on Sunday about 5:00 P.M.

Ed has to have the reservations in at an early date. The usual expected cost of this affair is \$15.00. However, you can give whatever amount you wish — no one asks any questions. If you don't have the money, don't let this stop you. The only requirement this year . . . something new for all retreat houses . . . is an advance payment of \$5.00. Please call Brother Zarn (777-0404) for details and reservations.

### COUNCIL RAMBLINGS

Joe Kucharik is shooting for a big, big 1st Degree exemplification the evening of March 3. Line up your applicants and let Joe know how many you have for the degree. . . . In spite of snow and cold, the Post-New Year's Dance had a good turnout and the affair was enjoyed by all attending . . . congrats to Emery and Ellis for a job well done. . . . The Christmas Party was a tremendous success: should have names in the next issue, of the brothers who pitched in to help; Santa's visits to the homes of children unable to attend the party thrilled many. . . . We hope to have names and backgrounds of recently named Knights-of-the-Month for next issue . . . also winners and prizes from our recent State Youth Campaign.

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