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# MINTYS APIE VYČIUS

AL. GIMANTAS

Man teko turėti malonios progos stebėti tokias didingas lietuviškas manifestacijas, kaip jungt. Dainų šventę, Tautinių šokių šventę, PLB Seimą, kelias Kanados Lietuvių Dienas, kurios visos paliko stiprius įspūdžius, bet visiškai skirtingus prisiminimus teko išsinešti iš tik ką pasibaigusio Lietuvos Vyčių organizacijos 46-jo metinio seimo. Viskas kažkaip kitaip, savotiškai, neiprastai, bet patraukliai ir labai išradingai pravesta. Kaikurios formos, gal daugiau amerikoniškos, nei lietuviškos, bet per visą suvažiavimo laiką buvo visiškai nesunku jaustis, kad esi savo tautos narių lietuvių tarpe ir lietuviškoje aplinkoje. Tam tikra prasme žvelgiant Vyčių seimas paliko gal net gilesnius įspūdžius, už visą eilę stambiųjų lietuviškųjų įvykių. Ir kaip nesijaudinsi, kaip nesigėrėsi tų amerikiečių lietuvių ryžtu ir sveika lietuviška galvosena, žinodamas, kad neretas jų, netik, kad niekados nėra matęs savo tėvų gimtosios žemės, bet suvažiavimo dalyvių tarpe teko sutikti ir tokių, kurių jau ir tėvai buvo gimę šiame kontinente ir kuriems vargiai ar kas iš artimųjų galėjo papasakoti apie Lietuva, bet kuriuos veikė, ne kas kitas, bet lietuviškasis kraujas ir lietuviškoji dvasia, pajėgusi perlaužti kartų barjerus ir duoti pasauliui, tegu nors neperskaitlingą saują, bet vertų savo protėvių vardo lietuvių.

Tegu tūla ar tūlas jų ir nesupranta gerai lietuviškai, tegu jie tarpusavy kalba angliškai, bet kai matai jų tikrai šaunias pastangas renkant ir prisimenant lietuviškus žodžius, kai matai jų norą laikyti save lietuviais, kai matai prie jų atlapo lietuviškąjį Vytį ir tautines spalvas, kai patiri, kad jie su pasididžiavimu nesibaido save pristatyti "I'm Lithuanian", kaip tokių nelaikysi lietuviais ir kaip jų tarpe nesijausi esąs brolis, vienos tautos

narys? Stai, ir savajin suvažiaviman jie suskrido iš pačių tolimiausių krašto vietų, kur tik lietuvių gyvenama. Ir jei lietuvių tarpe Lietuvos Vyčių darbas ir veikla dar lyg ir neranda pilno įvertinimo ir supratimo, jį labai puikiai pastebi tokie žymūs amerikiečiai, kaip prez. Eisenhoweris, kurio nuomonę apie Vyčius ir citavome šio rašinio pradžioje.

Geriausiame miesto viešbuty, prabangiose salėse vyko Seimo posėdžiai ir pramogos. Neliko mūsų Vyčiai nepastebėti ir amerikinės išorės. Spaudoje tilpo eilė pranešimų ir reportažų apie Seimą, minėtas jis buvo ir per kelias radijo stotis, televiziją. Miesto rotušė buvo pasipuošusi lietuviškaja trispalve, kuri išdidžiai plevėsavo šalia žvaigždėtosios pačiame didžiojo Detroito metropolio centre. Puiki, nuostabiai puiki, savųjų galimybių ribose, vienoje Sheraton Cadillac hotelio salių, buvo paruošta lietuviškosios tautodailės paroda. Kokį įspūdį ji paliko amerikinės visuomenės tarpe, galime spresti iš fakto, jog keletas miesto radijo stočių, nuolat kartojamose laidose "Ką ir kur matyti šį savaitgalį didmiestyje", vis pranešinėjo ir priminė savo klausytojams apie lietuvių parodą. Gi savųjų nuomonė apie parodą būtų sekanti. Kun. M., čikagietis, apžiūrėjęs išstatytus eksponatus, susižavėjes tepareiškė: "Ot, kad Čikagoje vykusioje Tarptautinėje parodoje lietuviškasis skyrius būtų turėjęs bent pusę šių eksponatų!" Vyčių priimtą ir pasiųstą telegramą prez. Eisenhoweriui, kurioje reišlietuviu nuomonė kiama apie Chruščiovo vizitą, sekančią dieną minėjo didžioji transkontinentinė NBC radijo bendrovė.

Visiems gerai žinoma apie Vyčių nuolatinį laiškų rašymą įvairiais lietuviškaisiais svarbiais reikalais. "United in faith and fellowship, your organization brings strength to the life of the national community. Inspired by a noble heritage and dedicated to the principles of citizenship, the Knights of Lithuania have a splendid record of service."

Dwight D. Eisenhower,
 President of the United States

Ištiesų, galima būtų kartu su kun. J. Jutkevičiumi, visos Vyčių organizacijos spiritus movens, klausti: "Ar yra kita lietuviška organizacija, kuri daugiau laiškų Lietuvos reikalais yra parašiusi?" Vargiai. Vyčių šioje veikloje tikrai niekas neatstoja ir kažin ar ir ateity juos pralenks.

Pažymėtinas ir dar vienas dalykas. Stebėjus Vyčių suvažiavimą, itin dėmesį patraukė, nepaprastas sugebėjimas derinti darbą, poilsį, pramogą ir maldą. Nei viena dalis nebuvo palikta nuošaly ir laikas taip puikiai ir prasmingai sutvarkytas, jog galima buvo tik gerėtis rengėjų išradingumu. Čia buvo ir keletas bendrų pamaldų ir šokių vakarų, ir golfo bei kėgliavimo žaidimu, ir miesto įžymybių apžiūrėjimas ir kelionė laivu mėnesienoje ir madų paroda, margumynų vakaras ir, savaime suprantama, visa eilė darbo posėdžių. Trys specialūs autobusai vežiojo dalyvius į reikiamas vietas ir visi visur suspėdavo, nevėluodavo, visi kartu atvykdavo, laiku galėdavo ir pradėti. O koks gyvas ir įdomus buvo jų vykdomųjų organų rinkimas arba balsavimai renkant vietovę kitų metų seimui! Viešbučio koridoriai, kėdės, sienos, kabyklos, net lempos, buvo apkabinėtos įvairiais rinkiminiais agituojančiais plakatais, k. a. "Finansų sekretore išrinkite X", "Geriausia raštininkė yra Z.", arba "1960 visi į Cikaga", neatsiliko ir worcesteriečiai, kurie pačioje posėdžių salėje sugebėjo palubėje įkabinti plakatus, agituojančius balsuoti už Worcesteri ir pan.

Visa stebėjus, kažkaip nejučiomis braunasi mintis, kad jei naujieji ateiviai, ypač jaunimas, atkreiptų didesnį dėmesį į Lietuvos Vyčius ir įsijungtų į jų eiles, kiek daug naujos gyvybės, gyvos lietuviškosios dvasios gautų ši graži ir sena Amerikos lietuvių organizacija.

#### JUNIORS' ACTIVITY

# REPORT OF — HELEN SHIELDS 1st VICE PRESIDENT

As National Vice President in charge of Junior Knights for the year 1958-1959, I devoted as much time as I was able to, and attempted to perform my work to the best of my ability. I attended 3 Supreme Council Board meetings and made 4 trips to New Jersey to attend special meetings in regard to the First Junior Knights of Lithuania Rally that was held in Kearny, New Jersey on April 12, 1959. During the year I wrote 175 letters, 23 post cards, 3 notices for the VYTIS, and sent out 8 Junior Guide Books and other literature and information that were requested by Junior officers.

The following information was compiled:

- 1. Names and addresses of all Junior counsellors.
- 2. Names and addresses of all Junior K. of L. officers, with the exception of Junior Council 26, Worcester, Mass.
- 3. Time and place each council holds its meetings.
- 4. Number of members in each council.
- 5. Dates when Junior Council fee is due to Supreme Council.

There are 11 councils:

Council 3 — Philadelhpia, Pa.

Council 19 — Pittsburgh, Pa.

Council 26 - Worcester, Mass.

Council 52 - Elizabeth, N. J.

Council 30 — Westifeld, Mass.

Council 67 — Bayonne, N. J.

Council 78 — Lawrence, Mass.

Council 90 - Kearny, N. J.

Council 96 — Dayton, Ohio

Council 100 - Amsterdam, N. Y.

Council 103 - Providence, R. I.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 274 MEMBERS

(NOT INCLUDED C-26)

In attempting to establish contact with Junior Council officers, I was informed that Junior Councils 12 — New York, 41 — Brooklyn, N. Y., and, 82 — Gary, Indiana have ceased to operate. During the past year, only one new Junior council was organized, that of Council 30 — Westfield, Mass. Letters appealing for cooperation and aid to organize Junior councils were sent to all council presidents where Junior councils do not exist. Regret to report that NOT ONE SINGLE REPLY RECEIVED. IN CONTRAST, LETTERS AND QUESTIONNAIRES SENT TO JUNIOR COUNCIL PRESIDENTS WERE ACKNOWLEDGED AND RETURNED BY EVERY JUNIOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT!

Thanks to the support and backing of the New York - New Jersey district and wholehearted cooperation of the spiritual advisers and Junior counsellors of the district, it was possible to organize the FIRST JUNIOR KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA RALLY. Over 100 (of a possible 140) Juniors attended the Rally. Participants took great interest in the entire program and were most enthusiastic and cooperative in all that was requested of them. Reports of Junior Council Presidents were well prepared and the Variety Program was not only entertaining, but educational as well, since each council's program was based on something pertaining to Lithuanian culture and conducted in both

languages. Those present expressed the desire that a similar Rally be held each year. It was my great pleasure to serve as Chairman for this historic Junior Knights of Lithuania Rally, and a great thrill to see that our present Junior Knights are preparing themselves not only to be members, but leaders as well, in the ranks of the regular Knights. This Rally was definite proof that the future of the Knights of Lithuania can be assured, if we GET TO WORK AND ORGANIZE MORE JUNIOR COUNCILS!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one who was so kind and extended a helping hand to make the First Junior Knights of Lithuania Rally a success. A special word of thanks to the N.Y.-N.J. district and its councils who supplied financial aid, and to Rev. Stanley Raila and Prof. A. Aleksis for their donations.

It was my sincere hope that a similar Rally would be sponsored by the New England district this year. However, my efforts to accomplish this were unsuccessful.

I began to compile material for a supplement for the Junior K. of L. Guide Book which would contain skits, plays, poems and songs for various occasions that could be presented by Juniors on local Lithuanian radio programs, at council meetings or various Lithuanian gatherings, However, due to unforeseen circumstances that arose at home, it was impossible to complete it in time for distribution at this convention.

#### Recommendations:

- 1. That Councils where Juniors do not exist, RESOLVE TO ORGANIZE JUNIORS THIS COMING YEAR.
- 2. That each district sponsor at least one Junior Knights of Lithuania Rally every year.
- 3. That senior and regular members show more interest in the activities of Junior Knights and make an effort to impress the Juniors to such an extent, that they will always want to be active members of our organization
- 4. That council officers and members work in closer cooperation with the Supreme Council. Unison is essential.

#### Commendation:

Reports, letters and personal contact with Junior counsellors and officers during the past year showed that the Junior councils have very competent counsellors who are to be highly commended for the time, effort and sacrifice they so unselfishly gave so that today's Juniors would become tomorrow's K. of L. leaders. Thanks to them, we have 274 third and fourth generation Lithuanian American youths who are working "For God and Country" under the Knights of Lithuania flag. We salute them, hope that they will continue their good work and that their example will serve as an inspiration to other K. of L. members to volunteer to become Junior K. of L. counsellors in their respective councils.

In closing, I would like to say that it was a great privilege and honor to serve as National Vice President in charge of Juniors for the past year, and wish to thank every one who aided me to perform my duties for the betterment of the Junior Knights of Lithuania. Visiems — nuoširdus, lietuviškas ir vytiškas AČIŪ!

# Laimės Griovėjai

ALFA SUŠINSKAS



Daug kas sunkina žmogaus gyvenimą: nelaimės, ligos, nepasisekimai ir įvairios kitokios priežastys išplėšia iš žmogaus laimę, vidinę ramybę ir jo dieneles apkartina.

Tačiau niekas tiek neapsunkina gyvenimo, kiek piktas, klastingas, savimyliškas ir kenksmingas, žodžiu, nežmoniškas žmogus. Kur šitoks pasisuka, ten jis kartumą kito žmogaus širdyje palieka, joje žaizdą ikerta.

Kiekvienas, kiek galėdamas, trokšta geriau ir patogiau gyventi. Tik šitais savo troškimais jis neturi mažinti ar net griauti kito žmogaus laimės, gerovės bei jo geros savijautos. "Pats gyvenk, bet leisk ir kitam gyventi" yra ne vien gilios išminties pasakymas — tai yra ir krikščionybės reikalavimas.

Tarpusavinius žmonių santykius tvarko įstatymai, papročiai, elgimosi taisyklės. Betgi šiuos visus nuostatus praktiškai pritaikyti kiekvienu atveju turi žmoniškumas: be jo taikomas įstatymas ar kuri nors elgimosi taisyklė tėra negyva, šalta ir kerštaujanti raidė, teišniekinanti patį žmoniškumą.

O kas gi yra žmoniškumas? Jį galima visaip apibrėžti. Tačiau tiktų pasakyti, kad jis yra elgimasis su kitu žmogumi ir galvojimas apie jį taip, kaip norime, kad ir su mumis būtų elgiamasi bei apie mus galvojama. Iš tikrųjų gi jis tėra Dievo ir artimo meilė. Tikrasis žmoniškumas yra pagrįstas evangeline dvasia ir šia didžiąja tiesa: "Mylėk savo Viešpatį visa širdimi ir visomis jėgomis, o savo artimą — kaip pats save" (pagal Luko 10, 27).

Kas pagal šį evangelinį principą gyvena, tas, santykiaudamas su kitais žmonėmis, neiškrypsta iš žmoniškumo kelio: toks savo žodžiu bei veiksmu esti žmoniškas ir kitam, ir jį supranta artimo meilės šviesoje.

Norint būti žmoniškam, tenka sutramdyti bei suvaldyti savanaudiškumą ir savimylą; savo žvėriškąjį kandumą artimo atžvilgiu tenka išrauti iš širdies ir nusiteikti gerumu.

Prieš kiek laiko Jonas Pupeikis sėdėjo kalėjime: jis suklydo ir apvogė senutę... Policija susekė, ir jis turėjo atlikti bausmę kalėdamas.

Po šio suklydimo, grįžęs iš kalėjimo, Jonas pavyzdingai gyvena, niekam nekenkdamas ir būdamas geras kaimynas bei tvarkingas šeimos tėvas.

Deja, nekartą vienas kitas jį vis dar vagimi išvadina. Tiesa, už akių, bet šie žodžiai pasiekia Jono ausis ir, aišku, labai pjausto jo širdį. Dėl šitokių apkalbų Jonas labai kenčia ir jas karčiai pergyvena.

Iš tikrųjų, argi žmonės turi teisę niekinti bei įžeidinėti tokį asmeni, kuris jau yra atgailavęs už savo ankstyvesniji nusikaltimą, jau yra pasitaisęs ir pavyzdingai gyvena? Šitokie niekintojai bei priekaištautojai yra žlugdomieji charakteriai, daug blogesni už patį niekinamąjį...

Ona Narkutienė savo zirzliu ir dygiu elgesiu apkartina ne tik kitų, bet ir savo pačios gyvenimą. Ji nemėgstama darbovietėje ir nelaukiama pas kaimynus. Ir tai vis dėl to, kad liežuvavimais bei nesibaigiančiais aimanvimais ji drumsčia kitų nuotaiką.

Kito asmens laimei mažinti ir gerai savijautai gadinti nereikia nė didelių dalykų: mažučiais, kasdieniniais nemandagumais, smulkiais negarbingais veiksmais, visokiais nepaisymais galima labai apkartinti jo visą gyvenimą.

Du automobilistai naudojasi tuo pačiu dvigubu garažu, kuriame jie laiko savo automobilius. Vienas iš jų savo mašiną plauna vis garaže, ne lauke, visada aptaškydamas sve-

#### SVEIKINAME!

Mūsų mielą bendradarbį Kun. Alfa Sušinską, šiais metais švenčiantį 50 metų gyvavimo, 25 metų kunigystės ir 30 metų spaudos darbo sukaktis ir nuolat per "Vytį" gražiomis mintimis kalbantį Amerikos lietuvių katalikiškam jaunimui vyčiams, nuoširdžiai sveikiname ir geriausius linkėjimus siunčiame!

Dėkinga

L. Vyčiu Centro Valdyba ir "Vyties" Redakcija.

timąjį automobilį ir garažą palikdamas neišvalytą bei šlapią (vanduo jame nenuteka).

Kaip jaučiasi antrojo automobilio savininkas, per vandenį brisdamas į savo apipurvintą mašiną?.. O kas gi gali suskaičiuoti visus automobilinio važiavimo nemandagumus, įvairius važiavimo taisyklių nesilaikymus, kurie kitus vairuotojus erzina ir neretai pasibaigia mirtingomis katastrofomis!

Visokie perilgi svečiavimaisi pas darbo išvargintus žmones, nesusivo-kiant, kada reikia išeiti, visoks priekabus elgesys, storžieviškumas, maži ir dideli artimo meilės nepaisymai vis yra aštrūs dvasiniai spygliai, kuriuos mes įspaudžiame į artimo širdį ir tuo jo gyvenimą apkartiname.

Siekdamas betkokios savo laimės, žmogus neturi jos atimti iš savo artimo: jis turi leisti ir kitam gyventi bei džiaugtis gyvenimu...

# Vyčiai Ir Lietuvių Kultūra

#### LIETUVIŲ KULTŪROS KOMISIJOS

#### Pirmininko J. Stuko raportas

Lietuvos Vyčių, Lietuvių Kultūros Komisija, susidaranti iš trijų asmenų: Jokūbas Stukas, Kun. Stasys Raila ir Juozas Janulaitis.

Lietuvos Vyčių Kultūros Komisija, kuriai vadovavo Jokūbas Stukas, prašė Philadelphijos Seimą dar praplėsti komitetą dviem nariais. Philadelphijos 45-tasis Seimas patarė pasirinkti tinkamus asmenis praplėsti komiteto darbą. Pasikvietęs virš minėtus du narius pradėjo šių metų darbą.

Metų bėgyje kovo mėn. "Vytyje" buvo atspausdinta Lietuvių Kultūros Komisijos "Darbų Planas" su paaiškinimu tikslų, uždavinių ir taškų skyrimo už nuveiktus darbus.

Tas planas buvo vėl atkartotas gegužės mėn. "Vytyje" anglų kalba, kad palengvintų lietuviškai nesuprantantiems geriau susipažinti ir vykdyti Vyčių Žygi už Lietuviškuma.

Komisija dėkoja p. Juozui Boley-Bulevičiui, už vertimą į anglų kalbą.

Iki šio seimo tik viena 3-oji kuopa iš Phila. prisiuntė sąrašą komiteto narių ir viena tik 41-oji Brooklyn'o atsiuntė savo metinį raportą.

Atsižvelgiant į šį menką kuopų atsiliepimą, komisija nori klausti 46-to Seimo — Ar yra pageidautina, kad komitetas dar gyvuotų ar, remiantis šiuo mažu domėjimusi lietuvių kultūra, laikyti tą žygį neįvykdomą ir komitetą likviduoti?

Komisija yra tos nuomonės, kad Vyčių organizacija turi pasirodyti daugiau lietuviškumu, nes tai yra mūsų tikslas! Jei sporto laimėtojai apdovanojami, tai tuo labiau turėtų būti atžymėti lietuviškumo palaikytojai, ugdytojai, vadovai.

Todėl, tikime, kad Seimas nenori ir negali ramia sąžine, kaipo lietuviška organizacija, šį pradėtą lietuviškumo darbą mesti, bet turi dar sparčiau vykdyti, kitaip neteksime savo tikslo. Todėl tikime, kad 46-to Seimo delegatai leis Kultūros Komisijai dar toliau veikti.

Lietuvių Kultūros Komitetas prašo:

- 1. Palikti komiteta toki pat kaip yra dar kitiems metams, ir esant pageidavimų organizuoti Lietuvių Kalbos Klases, kviesti Prana Gudeli, iš Dayton'o i ši komiteta, tam tikslui vykdyti.
- 2. Paraginti visu kuopu pirmininkus perskaityti 3 punktą "Liet. Igyvendinimo Planas" Kovo mėn. "Vytyje" 9 psl. arba angliškai Gegužės mėn. 7 psl. "C" punktą "Lithuanianism Put Into Practise" ir kad tai būtu atlikta iki š. m. Lapkričio 1 d. 1959 m. arba Komitetas turės imtis griežtų priemonių skelbiant nepranešusiųjų vardus Vytyje.
- 3. "Vytis", oficialus organizacijos organas, pasiliks mūsų kontaktas su įvairiais kuopų kultūros vadais ir per jį pranešime pilną savo veikima, taškų paskyrimą, neatsiliepusių pabarimą ir t. t.
- 4. Prašyti Seimą, kad išleistų (atspausdintų) LKK programą abiem kalbom su paaiškinimais kuopų

- reprezentantams, kaip vykdyti planą. Jis būtų pavadintas, "Kultūros Komisijos Vadovas", (apie 5,000 egz.). Šiuo metu komisija kreipiasi i Centro Valdybą, kad padengtų išlaidas ar surastų mecenatą.
- 5. Programą vykdydami dar kitais metais, paskelbiam vajų kuopoms ir atskiriems nariams rinkti taškus už kuriuos bus duodamos dovanos (prizes) seimo metu kuopai laimėtojai ir laimėtojui Vyčiui-tei, kurie surinks sau daugiausia taškų.
  - a. Kuopa surinkusi daugiausia taškų bus apdovanota \$50.00 vertės lietuviškomis knygomis kuopos knygynui, Kun. J. Prunskio iš Čikagos, dovanotomis.
  - b. Atskiri asmenys laimėtojai gavę daugiausia tašku, bus apdovanoti liet. rankdarbiais, drožiniais, knygomis, gintaro dirbiniais ir taip pan. Tuo daugiau bus paraginti įvertinti lietuvišką meną, literatūrą, darbus ir veikalus.
- 6. Rekomendacija, kad ateinančiais metais visi KK nariai, Centro Valdybos nariai, ir visos kitos komisijos iš visu kuopų susirinktų savaitę prieš seimą vienoje lietuviškoje stovyklavietėje, (tai pareis kur seimas šaukiamas, kur galėtų atsigaivinti kultūriškai ir dvasiniai neviešbutinėje ir pramoginėje atmosferoje ir iš ten tiesiog vyktų į seimą. Tai būtų istorinė LV vadų sueiga, kuri išsivystytų į nuolatinę metinę išvyką. Ten galėtų susipažinti su LKK plano vykdymu, idėjomis ir mintimis, kas padėtų lengviau darbą atlikti namie kuopose, apskrityse, Centre.
- 7. Komisija pagiria Seimo rengėjus, Detroit'o kuopas, kurios seimo metu neužmiršo lietuviškumo reiškinius įjungti į šį seimą, surengiant meno parodą ir kitus lietuviškumo programos dalykus.

#### REPORT OF — JACK L. JATIS, chmn. RITUAL COMMITTEE

#### Degrees Recorded — Year Ending July 31, 1959

	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Total
C- 3, Philadelphia	0	0	0	2	2
C- 7, Waterbury	115	41	0	0	156
C- 12, New York	4	0	0	0	4
C- 17, So. Boston	0'	0	1	0	1
C- 19, Pittsburgh	0	0	2	1	3
C- 24, Chicago	1	0	0	0	1
C- 26, Worcester	0	0	0	2	2
C- 29, Newark	4	4	0	2	10
C- 36, Chicago	5	1	1	0	7
C- 82, Gary	. 1	2	0	1	4
C- 96, Dayton	0	0	0	1	1
C- 99, Chicago	0	0	0	1	1
C-103, Providence	0	0	0	1	1.
C-112, Chicago	5	1	1	1	8
C-116, Worcester	5	5	1	0	11
C-135, Ansonia	7	0	1	0	8
TOTAL — 1958-9	147	54	7	12	220
Previously Recorded	1769	901	380	172	3222
Grand Total 7/31/59	1916	955	387	184	3442
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To the President of the United States Dwight D. Eisenhower The White House Washington, D. C.

RESOLUTIONS — REZOLIUCIJOS

The delegates and guests of the Knights of Lithuania, now in session for its 46th National Convention at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel in Detroit, look upon the coming visit of Krushchev to our country with great apprehension. By his recent actions with regard to Berlin, the Geneva Conference and Captive Nations Week, Mr. Khrushchev has demonstrated that he continues to frustrate the hopes for peace the world has. It is obvious that his purpose is not world peace as the free world understands it but the domination of the world by the Soviet Dictatorship. In fact, that is the prime goal of Soviet Communism. Consequently, there is really nothing that merits for him the privilege of visiting our Country. We are certain that his visit will have a dampening effect on the hopes which those for freedom have been given by your most welcomed proclamation of Captive Nations Week.

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Supreme Council be authorized to consider plans and organize committees to prepare for the appropriate observance of the Knights of Lithuania Golden Jubilee and to discuss plans for the publication of the K. of L. history. All plans and reports should be submitted to the 47th National K. of L. Convention for consideration.

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BE IT RESOLVED that the income of the St. Casimir Fund be distributed as follows: \$500.00 be transferred to the Supreme Council Treasury; \$100.00 be allocated as the first contribution to a special K. of L. drive to aid in the decoration of the Lithuanian Chapel in St. Peter's Basilica, Rome; the balance to be made available to the Spiritual Committee for the carrying out of the Spiritual program and spreading devotion to St. Casimir, our patron saint.

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BE IT RESOLVED that a Junior member joining the regular council who has participated actively for a certain period of time, should receive official recognition of his work in the form of a qualification toward a degree, or some other means to be worked out by the Supreme Council together with the Ritual Committee.

BE IT RESOLVED that in order to promote the coordination of Junior activities among all councils some form of an official Junior K. of L. periodical should be established for distribution to all Juniors.

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BE IT RESOLVED that before each national convention the Supreme Council should appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of District Presidents or its representatives to present recommendations for presidium officers and convention committees at the opening session of the convention; and that a schedule of events for the convention sessions be presented at the opening session for approval by the delegates, and that the convention presidium be instructed to adhere to it as closely as circumstances permit.







Families from the East. Visiting the Lithuanian Arts and Crafts Exhibit, sponsored by the K. of L. during the convention, are: (top) Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Pocius of Newark, N. J. (29) with their son, Mark and granddaughter, Yvonne Janks, whose father is Al Janks, Ritual committee member; (bottom): Anthony J. Mažeika, Sr., past national president with his wife, Sue and children, Anthony, Jr., pres. of Council 41, Queens, Denis, Joan and Maria, of So. Ozone, N. Y. Greeting the viewers, in Lithuanian costume (center) are: Antanina Čunkaitė, Viktorė Čunkaitė and Lidija Mingelienė of Detroit.

Nutarta įsteigti Lietuvos Vyčių Istorijos Fondą ir išrinkti jo globėjus, kurie netik tą fondą globotų, bet ieškotų mecenatų, garbės prenumeratorių ir rėmėjų sukelti iki 1961 m. pakankamai finansų spaudos darbui pradėti, kad užtikrinus galutinį atspausdinimą Lietuvos Vyčių organizacijos 50 metų Jubilėjaus sukakčiai.

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Liet. Vyčių 46-tasis seimas, susirinkęs 1959 metais, rugpiūčio 22-3 dienomis Sheraton-Cadillac viešbutyje, Detroit, Michigan, reiškia savo vytišką padėką: 1. Vyčių Centro Valdybai už jų uolų veikimą savo organizacijai; 2. Kun. Dr. Ig. Boreišiui ir Kun. Mykolui Kundratui už globojimą Seimo ir malonų priėmimą. 3. Vietos Vyčių 79-ai ir 102-rai kuopoms, seimo komisijai bei pirmininkams R. S. Boris ir A. Dainus už jų pasišventimą taip sėkmingai surengiant šį seimą.

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Kadangi spausdinimas ir platinimas nepadorios, šlykščios literatūros sudaro šiais moderniškais laikais dar didesnius pavojus jaunimui, jo dorai bei moralei;

Kadangi Liet. Vyčiai kaipo katalikai yra pasišventę ginti dorą ir Kristaus mokslą žmonių tarpe; ir

Kadangi Nationalinė Padorios literatūros Įstaiga yra įsteigta kovai prieš nepadorią literatūrą ir sekmingai tą kovą varo, todėl

Lai Būna Nutarta, kad Lietuvos Vyčių 46-tasis seimas paremtų Nationalinės Padorios Literatūros Įstaigos darbuotę ir paragintų visas kuopas ir visus narius bei nenarius visokiais tinkamais būdais aktyviai prisidėti prie kovos prieš blogą spaudą ir nepadorią literatūrą; ir Lai Toliau Būna Nutarta, kad seimas pagirtų padorios spaudos leidėjus ir paragintų visus paremti ir skaityti gerą spaudą.

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Kadangi Kun. Alfonsas Sušinskas, nuoširdus Lietuvos Vyčiu mylėtojas ir rėmėjas, šiais metais švenčia savo kunigystės sidabrinį jubilėjų ir kadangi Kun. Sušinskas remia Vyčius savo naudingais straipsniais "Vytyje", šis 46-tasis Lietuvos Vyčių seimas nutarė nuoširdžiai pasveikinti Kun. Sušinską jo gražaus jubiliejaus proga, jam dėkoja už darbą Vyčiams savo straipsniais vykdomą ir linki geriausios sveikatos, viso gero bei Dievo palaimos.

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Kadangi Profesorius Aleksandras Aleksis, Lietuvos Vyčių Garbės Narys ir Vyčių himno autorius, šiais metais švenčia ilgametę darbuotę lietuviškame visuomeniniame gyvenime, Lietuvos Vyčių 46-tasis seimas karštai ir nuoširdžiai sveikina Prof. Aleksį ir linki Dievo palaimos, geriausios sveikatos bei didžiausio pasisekimo ir tolimesnėje jo darbuotėje.

#### **PAGEIDAVIMAI**

Liet. Vyčių 46-asis seimas pageidauja, kad: 1. Kun. Jono Jutkevičiaus Lietuviškumo Komisijos garbės pirmininko pranešimas būtų atspausidntas Lietuviškuose laikraščiuose ir Vytyje. 2. Raginti Vyčių apskričius bei kuopas kviesti Kun. Joną Jutkevičių lankytis apskričių suvažiavimuose bei kuopų iškilminguose susirinkimuose ir pasakyti panašias kalbas. 3. As in the past the Supreme Council should strive with increased efforts to secure donors among councils, districts and members to cover the cost of printing VYTIS — per issue: 4. Centro valdybos narių bei komisijų raportai ateinan-

#### K. OF L. ARCHIVES

REPORT OF - Jack L. Jatis, mgr.

A great deal of progress has been made on the K. of L. Archives to date, such as sorting and cataloging certain items. We now report what VYTIS issues, convention badges and program books we have catalogued. We ask all members to assist us in this tremendous undertaking of collecting the many items still missing.

#### VYTIS ISSUES

Bound volumes for the years 1948 through 1958, inclusive, were submitted to the Archives by Phyllis Grendal, associate editor.

Unbound issues of VYTIS — 1935, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940. 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947 we also have. Therefore we still need the following to more or less complete our VYTIS volumes, 1919 to 1934 issues, 1936, 1941, 1942, and 1943.

#### CONVENTION BADGES

We have badges for the following years only: 1920, 1923, 1928, 1934 to 1941 (inclusive) and 1948 to 1959 (inclusive.) Missing — 1921, 1922, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1933, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946 and 1947.

#### CONVENTION PROGRAMS

We have 1938, 1940, 1945, 1950 through 1959. Missing — 1913 - 1937, 1939, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949. We have a thousand and one photos not yet classified and other material.

In behalf of the K. of L. organization I wish to thank Phyllis Grendal, Frank Vaskas, Jack Jatis, Joseph Kurpalis, who sent in material to the Archives this past year also thank the Chicago Seniors who turned over their library books and bookcases to the Archives. The sorting, cataloging, etc. was done by John Cibulskis of Council 24 and Frank Jurgutis of C-99. Hope they will continue this fine work.

čiam seime būtų išdalinta prieš ar per pirmą seimo sesiją. 5. Visos Centro Komisijos, kurios turi ryšius su finansais, būtinai pateiktų Centro iždininkui bertaininius (quarterly) raportus, būtent — įeigas, išlaidas ir balansą.

Kad paliktų Lietuvių Kultūros Komisiją taip kaip yra ir kviesti Praną Gudelį į tą komisiją, tikslu vadovauti ir organizuoti kuopuose Lietuvių kalbos klases.

Kad Liet. Vyčių Centro Valdyba pasitarus su Lietuvių Kultūros Komisija pasistengtų atspausdinti ar mimeografuoti abiem kalbom su paaiškinimais kuopoms, kaip vykdyti kultūrinio veikimo planą. Jis būtų pavadintas "Kultūros Komisijos Vadovas" ir išleistas Vyčių lėšomis.

Kad pradedant ateinančiais metais visi Centro Valdybos ir Centro komisijų, apskričių ir kuopų valdybų nariai, buvusieji Centro Valdybos pirmininkai, garbės nariai, bei visi suinteresuoti organizacijos nariai susirinktų kelioms dienoms prieš seimą vienoje lietuvškoje vietoje atsigaivinti dvasiniai ir kultūriškai ir surasti būdus, kaip vykdinti lietuvių kultūros be kitų komisijų planus.

# VYČIŲ SENDRAUGIŲ SKYRIUS

Redaguoja IGNAS SAKALAS

Ir vėl naujas kapas. Birželio 20 d. Dievas pašaukė amžinatvėn a. a. Petronelę Lubartienę. Paliko vyrą Antaną ir du sūnus Vytautą ir Antaną.

Velionė buvo pavyzdinga moteris-motina lietuvių išeivijai. Priklausydama lietuvių organizacijoms ir jose veikdama, ji ir savo sūnus itraukė į lietuviškas jaunimo organizacijas. Ir Antanas ir Vytautas Liet. Vyčių Chicagos apskrityje yra pirmųjų gretų veikėjai. Be to, Vytautas yra vyčių apskrities atstovas Lietuvos Vyčių Namo taryboje. Kaipo namų dažymo specialistai, jau du kartus yra nemokamai išdažę Vyčių salę ir Ramovę. Namo tarybai kainavo tiktai dažai.

Mirusią gausiai lankė ir į kapines palydėjo vyčiai — jauniai ir sendraugiai, kartu pareikšdami vyrui ir sūnams užuojautos. Sendraugiai taipgi užprašė šv. mišias už velionies sielą.

Džiaugiasi pirmąja anūke. Teklė ir Vladas Strogai pergyvena naują džiaugsmą. Jų duktė Dolores, ištekėjusi už Gene Nick, susilaukė pirmojo kūdikio — dukters.

Strogai yra žymūs senosios ateivijos Chicagos (No. Side) veikėjai. Anais senosios išeivių kartos veikimo žydėjimo laikais, No. Side lietuvių kolonija buvo šviesus taškas Chicagos lietuvių katalikų bendruomenėj. Strogams, Nausėdams, Sriubams, Maskolaičiams, Mureikams, Rugieniams, Bacevičiui, Lebežinskui ir k. vadovaujant No. Side lietuvių kolonija pirmavo visame tautiškame ir katalikiškame veikime.

Nuo pat vyčių įsisteigimo, Strogai priklauso 5-tai kuopai ir sendraugiams. Be to, V. Stroga daug padeda ir vietos klebonui parapijos darbuose.

Pagerbė svečią iš Romos. Liepos 19 d. Chicagon buvo suvažiavę tremtiniai kunigai vieno kurso atšvesti kunigystės 25 metų jubilėjų. Iškilmės buvo gražioje Šv. Kryžiaus bažnyčioje, kurios klebonu yra vyčių veteranas kun. A. Linkus. Vienam tų jubiliatų — prel. L. Tulabai ta proga buvo suruoštas pagerbimas, kuriuo daugiausiai pasidarbavo vy-

tė sendraugė Bronė Pivarūnienė. Jai talkino taipgi sendraugės: B. Cicėnienė, M. Paukštienė, E. Samienė, o iš vyrų A. Bacevičius. Rengėjų sveikinimus jubiliatui lydėjo ir graži dovana. Pagerbimas buvo suruoštas Vyčių salėj.

Atostogavo Illinois sostinėj. Vaistininkas Vincas Petrauskas, vienas žymių senosios kartos lietuvių veikėjų Chicagoj su žmona atostogas praleido žmonos gimtajam mieste, Illinois sostinėj Springfieldė.. Laisvu nuo savo pareigų metu, V. Petrauskas mėgsta filateliją ir renka žinias apie lietuvius vaistininkus visame pasaulyje. Šį įdomų rinkinį žada kada nors išleisti atskiru leidiniu.

Ragavom stirnos sūrio. Antanas ir Kazimiera Petruliai, Vyčių salės menedžeriai, šiemet atostogas praleido pas savo pažįstamuosius Kanadoj. Grįžę iš atostogų, liepos mėn. susirinkiman atsilankiusius sendraugius pavaišino parvežtu iš Kanados gėrimu ir skaniu sūriu. Sakoma, kad tai buvo stirnos sūris. Kieno jis buvo — karvės, ožkos ar stirnos — nesvarbu. Svarbu, kad buvo labai skanus. Visi buvo patenkinti Petrulių staigmena sendraugiams.

A. ir K. Petruliai yra ne tik labai draugiški žmonės, bet taip pat labai jautrūs ir vyčių reikalams. Ne tik daug dirba, bet nemažai ir aukoja. Reta tokio būdo pora.

Auka "Vyčio" leidimui paremti. Centro iždininkei Ritai Pinkus laišku priminus, kad kiekvienos kuopos yra pareiga vakaro pelnu ar kitokiu būdu sukeltais pinigais paremti "Vyčio" leidimas, liepos mėnesio susirinkime nutarta tam reikalui paaukoti \$25.00.

Sendraugio pašto ženklų rinkinys parodoj. Tarptautinėj Prekybos ir Pramonės parodoj Chicagoj liepos mėn. pradžioje buvo pakviesti dalyvauti ir lietuviai. Nedideliam lietuvių paviljone, tarpe įvairių tautinių eksponatų, buvo išstatytas ir sendraugių pirm. Ig. Sakalo Lietuvos pašto ženklų rinkiniai.

Prašome Dievo sveikatos. Liepos mėn. susirinkime buvo pranešta, kad serga trys nariai: Viktoras Jodelis, Matas Zizas ir Rožė Mazeliauskienė. Visi yra vieni pirmųjų vyčių organizacijos narių Chicagoj.

Taip pat susirinkime buvo pranešta, kad mirė sendraugė Stankienė.

Už mirusiųjų narių sielas užprašytos šv. mišios ir šeimoms pasiųstos užuojautos, o baigiant susirinkimą sukalbėta trumpa maldelė, meldžiant Dievo sveikatos sergantiems nariams.

Laiminga nelaimė. Sendraugiu sekretorė O. Aleliunienė ir žymi veikėja R. Mazeliauskienė šių metu atostogose turėjo laiminga nelaime. Kelyje iš Black Hills (So. Dakota) i Yellowstone Park netoli Gillete, Wyo., į jų automobilį įvažiavo kitas automobilis, kurio šoferis pasirodė buvo užmigęs prie vairo. Labiausiai nukentėjo Mazeliauskienė, kuri buvo paguldyta artimiausioj ligoninėj. O. Aleliunienė ir kiti keleiviai, iskaitant ir automobilio savininka, mažiau nukentėjo. R. Mazeliauskienė parvešta į Chicago sveiksta ir ilsisi.

Pavyzdingas narys. Vienas naujosios kartos ateivių Stasys Rumšas, iš tremties atvykęs į Chicagą
tuojaus įsirašė vyčių sendraugių
eilėsna ir taip pamėgo kuopą ir jos
veikimą, kad ir vėliau, apsigyvenęs
Waukegan, Ill., o paskui Spencerville, Ohio, ne tik nepametė narystės, bet kiekvieno sendraugių
parengimo proga jis atsiunčia dar
ir auką. Ir paskutiniuoju laiku sendraugiams ruošiant pikniką įsigijimui nuosavo aparato filmams rodyti, S. Rumšas atsiuntė auką \$5.00.

Kuopos valdyba ir pikniko komisija mielam S. Rumšui nuoširdžiai dėkoja.

Pažadėjo — ištesėjo. Buvęs Dotnuvos (Lietuvoje) Žemės Ūkio akademijos profesorius B. Vitkus, iš tremties atvykęs į Chicago, įstojęs į sendraugių eiles, buvęs Labdarių Sąjungos, o paskutiniaisiais metais Jėzaus Nukryžiuoto seserų ūkio vedėjas, gi dabar grįžęs vėl į Chicagą atostogų atvyko kaip tik prieš sendraugių pikniką rugpiūčio 23 d.

Nors atostogavo gan toli nuo Chicagos — Atlanto pakraštyj, Naujojoj Anglijoj, bet savo pažadą ištesėjo. Kaip žadėjo Chicagon grįžti rugpiūčio 23 d. ir dalyvauti sendraugių piknike, taip ir ištesėjo.

Atstovavo sajungietes. Marijona Paukštienė ir Elena Širvinskienė, vyčių sendraugių ir Moterų Sąjungos veikėjos, rugpiūčio mėn. buvo išvykusios į Hartford, Conn., kur Moterų Sąjungos metiniame seime atstovavo 20-ją kuopą. M. Paukštienė yra tos organizacijos direktorė Illinois valstybėje.

Mūsų ligoniai. Jau buvo rašyta, kad paskutiniuoju laiku susirgo du organizacijos veteranai, vieni pirmųjų narių Chicagoj — M. Zizas ir V. Jodelis. Malonu pranešti, kad abu sveiksta ir už kiek laiko tikimasi vėl pamatyti juos susirinkimuose ir įvairiuose subuvimuose.

Paskutiniuoju laiku gydytojas uždraudė visokį aktyvumą J. Keruliui, kurio pasiges ne tik vyčiai sendraugiai, Vyčių namas, bet ir visa eilė katalikiškųjų organizacijų, kurių jis iki šiol buvo nenuilstantis veikėjas. Tuo pačiu metu J. Petkūnienę ištiko nelaimė — nusilaužė ranką.

Visiems linkime pasveikti, nes darbo pas sendraugius yra daug, o darbininkų neužtenka.

Mūsų narė skundų komisijoj. Viena senosios lietuvių imigracijos pirmaujanti katalikių moterų veikėja Chicagoj, Marijona Paukštienė, šių metų Moterų Sąjungos metiniame seime Hartford, Conn., buvo išrinkta Centro Valdybos sąstatan—į skundų komisiją.

Sveiki sukakties proga. Jonas ir Emilija Kass (Kazakevičiai) š. m. rugpiūčio mėnesį šventė vedybinio gyvenimo 45 metų sukaktį. Ta proga rugpiūčio 30 d. jų gražią vietovę Justice, Ill., užplūdo būrys chicagiečių giminių ir bičiulių — pasveikinti sukakties džiaugsmu ir palinkėti sveikatos.

Svečius priimti ir vaišinti sukaktuvininkams, pasipuošusiems rūtomis ir "korsažais", padėjo jų visuomet giedri duktė Emilija ir žentas M. Gestautas.

Prieš persikeldami gyventi šion gražion nuosavybėn, Kass gyveno Chicagoj. J. Kass iš amato laikrodininkas turėjo laikrodžių taisymo įmonę ir kartu nemažą gražmenų krautuvę. Taip pat buvo veiklūs Balfo, Federacijos, Lietuvos Vyčių ir k. organizacijų nariai. Balfui buvo tiek atsidavę, kad net dalį savo krautvės užleido sandeliui aukojamiems drabužiams priimti, surušiuoti ir centran išsiųsti. Ir patys daug tame darbe padėjo.

Sukaktuvininkų sūnus Matthew yra baigęs optikos mokslą ir dabar Texas val. vienoj didelėj krautuvėj veda optikos skyrių; yra vedęs ir augina šeimą.

Beje, žentas M. Gestautas, Chicagoj gimęs ir augęs, ne tik puikiai lietuviškai kalba, bet laisvalaikiu dirbdina lietuviškus kryžius, kurių meniškumas tiek patraukia visus, kad nespėja patenkinti visų prašymų. Jo lietuviški kryžiai puošia ne vieno lietuvio seklyčią. Kada nors šioje vietoje bus įdėtas M. Gestauto darbo kryžiaus vaizdas ir platesnis aprašymas.

Nuoširdiems sendraugiams ir kuopos visų darbų rėmėjams Jonui ir Emilijai Kass linkime sveikatos, susilaukti ne tik auksinio, bet ir deimantinio vedybinio gyvenimo jubilėjaus.

piknikas. Rugp. 23 d. Metinis oras buvo karštas ir tvankus, bet atvykę Vyčių sodan rado ne tik pavėsi po dideliais lapočiais, bet ir malonią draugystę. Be dažnai sutinkančių veidų, daug matėsi ir naujų. Tai buvo vyčių bičiuliai, kurie atvyko paremti gražius sendraugių sumanymus ir užsimotus darbus. Susėdę prie stalų vieni šnekučiavos, kiti kortavo, dar kiti vaišinosi šaltais gėrimais, kuriuos pilstė ir pristatinėjo kuopos iždininkas N. Karlavičius, A. Jonutis, A. Aleliunas, A. ir K. Petruliai. Prie gėrimo ne pro šalį ir užkandis, kurį lietuviškais "receptais" paruošė žinoma "liaudies dainų skrynelė" J. Žemaitienė, O. Aleliunienė, E. Samienė ir Emilija Mikuta. Visi gardžiavos skaniai paruoštais valgiais.

Tarpe atsilankusių nemažai buvo, ypatingai moterų, kurios laukė prasidedančio "bingo" žaidimo, nes visus viliojo ant stalų išdėstytos gražios ir patrauklios dovanos. Šiam žaidimui vadovavo S. Jonutienė.

Vakarop komisijos nariai Ig. Sakalas, E. Samienė ir O. Aleliunienė pravedė stambiųjų dovanų laimėjimą. Pirmąją dovaną — elektrikinį indelį moterų galvos plaukams po išplovimo džiovinti (auka Karlavičių) laimėjo V. Paukštis, buvęs Vy-

čių salės prievaizda; antrą dovaną — butelį stipraus gėrimo (gauta N. Karlavičiaus rūpesčiu) laimėjo S. Cibulskienė; ir trečią dovaną pinigais (paskirtais iš kuopos iždo) laimėjo A. Bacevičius.

Be anksčiau paskelbtuju, piknika parėmė aukomis virtuvei ir dovanomis "bingo" žaidimui: Karlavičiai, Dobrovolskiai, V. Jodelis, A. Simkunas, A. ir S. Jonučiai, E. Mikuta, E. Samienė, R. Mazeliauskienė, S. Sakalienė, O. Aleliunienė, B. Paliljunienė, V. Paukštis, J. Osbal, Zizai, Cibulskiai. Sian sąrašan nejeina vardai tu nariu, kurie pirko biletų knygutes, o jų buvo keletas desėtkų. Jei kiekvienas narys būtų radęs minutę laiko komisijos jam pasiustam laiškui perskaityti ir prašytą duoklę būtų įnešęs, tai piknikas pelno atžvilgiu būtu viršijes visas rengėjų viltis.

West Side gyvenantis Juozas Dobrovolskis yra vienas pirmųjų vyčių 13-tos kuopos (Town of Lake) narių ir veikėjų. Visais laikais vyčių parengimams buvo ir tebėradosnus. Kaipo kuopos narys, sendraugių parengimus remia kiek išgali. Šiam parengimui ne tik knygučių nupirko, žmona dar ir "bingo" dovanų atvežė, bet ir atsilankęs piknikan įvairiais būdais parėmė sendraugių bendras pastangas.

R. K.

#### CLEVELAND, OHIO

#### Iš Vyčių Senjorų Sus-mo

Rugp. 30 d., Juzės Capienės rezidencijoje, vyčiai senjorai turėjo savo mėnesinį sus-mą, kurį pradėjo M. Trainauskaitė, senjorų pirmininkė, pakviesdama J. Sadauską atkalbėti malda.

Toliau sekė valdybos ir komisijų pranešimai. Vienok, gal iš svarbiausių raportų buvo tai iš 46-tojo L. Vyčių org. visuotino seimo, kuris šiais metais įvyko Detroit, Mich. Bendra pranešima iš seimo padarė J. Sadauskas, kuris netik pats pagyrė kad gražiai ir svetingai buvo surengtas seimas, bet ir visi kiti delegatai ir svečiai: A. Buknis, A. Kunigiškis, J. Pikturnienė ir M. Trainauskaitė. Ir jie visi džiaugėsi, kad Detroito vyčiai taip sumaniai ir tvarkingai pravedė patį seimą, bažnytines pamaldas, o jau penktadienio surengta programa, tai ypač pa-

Džiugu buvo, kad šis senjorų susirinkimas buvo gana skaitlingas ir



CANDID SHOTS. Top (l. to r.): M. Simonis (Detroit), Anthony Buknis (Cleveland), Ralph Valatka, director of Lithuanian Radio Hour in Detroit and member of C-79. Saturday's Luncheon and Fashion Show — Joseph Sable (Linden, N. J.) with commentator; Anna Mae Uznis who presented Ann's Fashion Show and one of the models. Bottom: New Englanders enjoying the Show — Frances Zaleskas, Loretta Lescinskas, Frances Daniels, Aldona Jakubauskas, all of C-17, South Boston, Joseph Sakaitis, president of the district; also John Olevitz of South Boston with delegates from Worcester.

gyvas ir kad jame atsilankė Stasė Thomson - Ivinskaitė, kuri virš poros metų buvo apleidus Clevelandą. Ji vėl apsigyveno Clevelando apylinkėje ir žada daug prisidėti prie senjoru veikimo. Taip pat senjorai džiaugiasi, kad šiame sus-me susilaukė naujos narės ir didelės naujos parapijos veikėjos, Moterų Labdarybės dr-jos pirmininkės p. Mackevičienės asmenyje. Ja prikalbino ir prirašė prie senjorų Vyčių Juzė Capienė, senjorų geraširdė narė. Mūsų Juzė netik senjoruose gražiai ir nuoširdžiai darbuojasi, bet ir kitose draugijose, ypač ji daug darbo ineša savo parapijoj. Neperseniausiai

pas p. J. Capienę senjorai buvo surengę card party, kuri jiems atnešė nemažai pelno, o po šio sus-mo ji visus gražiai pavaišino, už ką visi dalyviai jai labai yra dėkingi.

Senjorai tik gali pasidžiaugti turėdami tokias bei tokius narius, kaip J. Capienė, V. Maciokienė, J. Pikturnienė, P. Glugodienė, A. Kunigiškis ir daugiau tokių. Senjorai prašo ir kviečia visus, kurie tik norėtų darbuotis su vyčiais, ateiti į jų susirinkimus nr prisirašyti ir kartu veikti su jais, nes anksčiau ar vėliau, jie nori kviesti L. Vyčių org. visuotiną seimą į Clevelandą, o tam reikia darbo ir jėgos.

Beje, senjorai nutarė turėti išvyką bei šeimynišką išvažiavimą ant J. ir R. Sadauskų sklypo žemės, kur jie augina gražiuosius jurginus ir kitas gėles bei daržoves.

Kitas senjorų sus-mas bus pas K. Magilienę, ilgametę L. Vyčių 25 kp. narę, o dabar senjorę.

Senelis

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# GREETINGS

#### LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS

President of United States of America, Dwight D. Eisenhower

Bishop Vincentas Padolskis, Rome, Italy

His Excellency Most Reverend John F.

Dearden, D.D., Archbishop of Detroit

Hon. G. Mennen Williams, Governor of Michigan Hon. Juozas Kajeckas, Charge d'Affaires,

Lithuanian Legation at Washington, D. C.

Hon. P. Daužvardis, Consul General of Lithuania at Chicago

Hon. Jonas Budrys, Consul General of Lithuania at New York

Hon. Anthony O. Shallna, Lithuanian Consul at Boston

Hon. J. J. Bielskis, Lithuanian Consul at Los Angeles Ignatius Sakalas, editor of DRAUGAS, Chicago, Ill., hon. memb.

Kauno Arkivyskupas Metropolitas Dr. J. Skvireckas, Austria

Rev. Joseph Čepukaitis, Pres., Lithuanian Priests' League, Philadelphia

Šv. Kazimiero Seserys, Motina Adorata, Chicago, Illinois

Antanas J. Rudis, Pres., Lithuanian Roman

Catholic Federation of America, Chicago, Ill. Tev. Dr. Tomas Žiūraitis, O.P., Pirm., Kun. A. Miluko

Monografijai Išleisti Komitetas Rev. John Vaitekūnas, Providence, R. I., hon. memb.

Matas Zujus, Wilkes-Barre, Penna., hon. memb. Antanas F. Kneižys, Norwood, Mass., hon. memb.

Hon. Joseph C. Casin, Mayor of City of Worcester, Massachusetts

L. Bajorunas, pirm., Detroito Ateitininkų Sendraugių Kuopa

Hon. Louis Marian, Mayor of City of Detroit, Mich. Stan Kancewick, K. of L. Art Director, Chicago, Ill.

VYČIU SEIMAS 1960 METAIS ĮVYKS
WORCESTER, MASS.

KAD SEIMAS BŪTŲ TIKRAI ĮDOMUS
IR ĮSPŪDINGAS,
JAU DABAR PRADĖTA JAM RUOŠTIS.
TODĖL

VISI VYČIAI JAU DABAR PLANUOJA
IR RUOŠIASI JAME DALYVAUTI.

# SCHOLARSHIP FUND

REPORT OF - Jack Stukas, Chmn.

First Scholarship Award (1958) to Algirdas Budreckis of Council 52, Elizabeth, N. J., was paid in two installment of \$300 each, making a total of \$600. Total balance toward 1959 Award is \$270.88; \$329.12 is needed to complete the necessary \$600.

1959 Award candidates total 4 in number — 3 girls and 1 boy.

#### Recommendations and Criticisms

Trustees Joseph Boley, Father A. Contons and Father W. Karaveckas have agreed to serve one more year, making it a full 3-year term for each. Present three-year trustees also are: Jack Stukas, chairman, and Father P. P. Cinikas. All future trustees should be elected for 3-year terms. Chairman Stukas recommends appointment of Walter Chinik of Pittsburgh to replace Leonard Valiukas as trustee. Full slate of Scholarship Committee trustees will be open for election at next year's Convention. Reelection of William Kolicius, treasurer, is recommended. Also, Regional Advisory Board should be dropped; not necessary. Had 4 members.

However, new Secretary should be elected to administer Booster Club for the Scholarship Fund, remind councils of necessity to solicit contributions, submit voluntary assessments, and assist other trustees in their functions. Suggest Loretta Kassel of Chicago. Recommend Public Relations officer be added to the committee. Suggest Robert Boris of Detroit.

Only 15 councils have donated to the Scholarship Fund or sponsored functions to raise funds for the program. Newark first, with \$141; Kearney second, with \$80; Dayton third, with \$50; and Worcester fourth, with \$47; New York - New Jersey District donations total \$604.92 out of total sum collected of \$1,013.42. (Income and expenses presented to secretary for recording.) All councils should do their share to support this

Scholarship Program. Voluntary membership assessments of 25¢ per member, Council sponsored raffles at social functions, membership in \$1.00 Scholarship Fund Booster Club, and solicitation of philanthropic organizations and individuals to donate to the program are excellent means of support.

### at Convention by Council 52, Elizabeth, N. J. Members

Vincent Galauski	\$10.00
Stanley Valatka	10.00
William Senkus	5.00
Charles Grinchis	5.00
Charles Surplis	1.00
Mary Motecus	1.00
Francis Buzis	1.00
Veronica Krezonis	1.00
Helen Balandis	1.00
Danny Degutis	1.00
Total	\$36.00



Newly - Elected Supreme Officers. Top, seated (1. to r.): Dorothy Sinkavitch (Worcester), financial secretary; Helen Shields (Philadelphia), vice president; Joseph A. Sakevich (Pt. Pleasant, N. J.), president; Loretta Kassel (Chicago), corresponding secretary; Florence Zaleskas (Boston), trustee; standing, Anthony Dainus (Detroit), trustee; Edward Daniels (Worcester) Ritual memb.; Mrs. Rita Pinkus (Worcester), treasurer; Rev. Albert J. Contons (Boston), spiritual director; Larry Janonis (New York), vice president; Jack Stukas (Hillside), chmn. Culture and Scholarship Fund Committees. Bottom, four district leaders in attendance, from left: Stanley Vaitkus, president of Mid-Central; Joseph Sakaitis, president of New England; John Cibulskis, v. pres. of Illinois-Indiana; Larry Janonis, president of New York-New Jersey.



Golf and Bowling Tournament Champs. Top, Charles Oskutis of Elizabeth, N. J. and Anna Mae Uznis of Detroit, Michigan; Bottom, Loretta Kassel of Chicago, Ill. and Joseph Stelmok of New York, N. Y.

# After DETROIT WORCESTER 1960

# Participants at the Convention

#### MANDATE COMMITTEE REPORT

Districts represented — 4; Councils — 26; Supreme Council 13; delegates and alternates 166; Priests 15; Honorary Members 11; Senior Councils 1; Guests — too numerous to have kept record.

PHILADELPHIA, PA. (3) — Theresa Mažeika, Agnes Timmins.

CHICAGO, ILL. (5) — Loretta Macekonis.

WATERBURY, CONN. (7) — Marcella Andrikis, Walter Pitcavage, Lillian Paulauskas, John Alenskas, John Greblunas.

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y. (12) — Joe Stelmok.

SOUTH BOSTON, MASS. (17) — Frances Daniels, Larry Svelnis, Albert Jaritis, Aldonna Jakubauskas John Olevitz.

PITTSBURGH, PA. (19) — Walter Chinik, Mildred Chinik, Margaret Papeaka, Antoinette Naujelis, Marcella Onaitis, William Kolicius, Jr., Delores Papeaka, Steve Onaitis, Ann Navickas.

CHICAGO, ILL. (24) — Jonas Jesulaitis.

CLEVELAND, OHIO (25) — Nellie Arunski, Andy Palzes.

CLEVELAND, OHIO (Seniors) — Juozas Sadauskas, Mary Trainy, Hedwig Pikturna, Antanas Kunigiškis.

WORCESTER, MASS. (26) — Anne Bucinskas, Joseph Drumstas, William Grigas, Fred Pinkus, Leonard Zalanskas, Vito Morkunas.

NEWARK, N. J. (29) — Anthony Malakas, Regina Malakas, Charles Strolis, Stanley Pocius, Jack J. Stukas, Anna Pocius, Frank Vaškas, Helen Balčiūnas, Albert Panalis.

CHICAGO, ILL. (36) — Aldona Kaminskas, Albert A. Kassel, Walter G. Tenclinger, Sophia Zukas.

BROOKLYN, N. Y. (Queens — 41) — Anthony B. Mažeika, Thomas Michalski, Helen Matusevičius, Antanas J. Mažeika, Eugene Marcis, Joan Mažeika.

ELIZABETH, N. J. (52) — Ann Mitchell, Edward Anilionis, Charles Oskutis, Norbey Wysocki.

BAYONNE, N. J. (67) — Rita Miskewitz, Elena Miskewitz.

DETROIT, MICH. (79) — Tony Dainus, Ralph Valatka, Frank Zager, Leonard Salas, Edward Martin, Chester Nashlow, Victoria Chepelonis, Joseph Chaps, Mr. Conrad, Betty Petroski. Alternates — Sophie Zager, Phil Dalton, Anne Fagge, Mrs. Medonis, Mr. Medonis, Lillian Stepan, Ann Valatka, Tony Majauskas, Mary Bernadis, Agnes Majauskas.

GARY, INDIANA (82) - Sophie Kaminski.

HARRISON-KEARNY, N. J. (90) — Anne Klem, Val Bilaitis, John Nakrosis.

DAYTON, OHIO (96) — Rita Ambrose, Mary Lucas, Elaine Lucas, Frank Gudelis, Steponas Bučmys.

CHICAGO, ILL. (99) — Gordon Gudas, Tony Yuknis, Frank Jurgaitis.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y. (100) — Genevieve Gobis, Isabel Dopkus, Joseph Alsauskas.

DETROIT, MICH. (102) — Robert Boris, W. Juodwalkis, Anna Mae Uznis, Maryann Guerre.

PROVIDENCE, R. I. (103) — Irene Landanski, John Beinoris, Veronica Minalgo.

CHICAGO, ILL. (112) — Eleanore Laurin, Dolores Rupslauskis, Irene Rakaitis, Geraldine Mack, Anne Paukstis, Estelle Rogers, Monica Kasper, Al Zakarka, Julia Zakarka.

LINDEN, N. J. (113) — Joseph M. Sable, John Tratulis, Vincent Cuprewich.

WORCESTER, MASS. (116) — Dorothy Sinkavitch, Ann Miller, Mary Klimkaitis, Frank Ciras.

#### SUPREME COUNCIL

Rev. Albert J. Contons (Boston, Mass.), Joseph A. Sakevich (Pt. Pleasant, N. J.), Larry Janonis (New York, N. Y.), Helen Shields (Philadelphia, Pa.), Loretta Kassel (Chicago, Ill.), Winifred Skudris (Boston, Mass.), Mrs. Rita Pinkus (Worcester, Mass.), Florence Zaleskas (Boston, Mass.), Joseph Sipas (Worcester, Mass.). DISTRICTS represented by John Cibulskis, V. P. (Illinois-Indiana) Stanley Vaitkus, Pres. (Mid-Central); Anthony Shalna, Jr., V. P. (New York-New Jersey); Joseph J. Sakaitis, Pres. (New England).

#### DISTRICTS

ILLINOIS - INDIANA — Irene Sankus, Helen Zimmer. MID-CENTRAL — Julia Aleshunas, Alice Potts.

NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY — Larry Janonis, Anthony Shalna.

NEW ENGLAND — Joseph J. Sakaitis, Edward A. Daniels.

#### HONORARY MEMBERS

Rev. Dr. Ig. Boreišis (Detroit, Mich.), Rev. M. Urbonavičius, M.I.C. (Kenosha, Wisconsin), Anthony J. Mažeika (So. Ozone, N. Y.), Jonas L. Juozaitis-Jatis (Chicago, Ill.), Felicija Grendal (Boston, Mass.), Juozas Sadauskas (Cleveland, Ohio), Frank Gudelis (Dayton, Ohio), Rev. John C. Jutt (Worcester, Mass.), Joseph Boley (New York City), Bishop Vincentas Brizgys (Chicago, Ill.), and Ann Mitchell, newly-elevated (Elizabeth, N. J.).

#### SPIRITUAL ADVISERS

Rev. Dr. Ig. Boreišis, pastor of St. Anthony's Church (Detroit)

Rev. Michael Kundrot, administrator of Divine Providence Church (Detroit)

Rev. Albert J. Contons, nat'l spiritual director and professor at St. Sebastian's School (Boston)

Rev. John C. Jutt, hon. chmn. Lithuanian Affairs and Pro-Synodal Judge of the Marriage Tribunal in the Worcester Diocese

Rev. Walter C. Karaveckas (Pittsburgh)

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Rev. Michael Daumantas (Detroit)

Rev. W. Stanievich (Detroit)

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Rev. Anthony Miciunas, M.I.C. (Chicago)

Rev. Simonavičius (Detroit)

# SPECIAL GUESTS — GREETINGS (in person)

His Excellency, Archbishop John F. Dearden (Michigan) His Excellency Vincentas Brizgys, Auxiliary Bishop of Kaunas (now residing in Chicago, Ill.)

# MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

REPORT — LARRY JANONIS 2nd VICE PRESIDENT

The main duty of the 2nd Vice President is the Membership Drive. Although this was my first experience conducting any membership drive and the material turned over to me was late in arriving, in my opinion this drive which was held between January 1st and March 31st, 1959 was fairly successful.

I made a research of the drives of the last 10 years and found that basically, all drives were conducted under the same rules, namely the point and handicap system with individual and council awards. It is my belief that to coordinate any drive on a national basis, the districts of our organization should take an active part. Therefore, this year for the first time, we are presenting an award to the district which has the most gain in membership.

The winners of this year's Membership Drive were: Individual

- 1. Anthony Mazeika Jr., Brooklyn #41
- 2. Joe Chaps, Detroit #79

#### Council

- 1. Detroit 79
- 2. Chicago 36

#### District

1. Mid-Central

District Gain	n
New England 3	4
N. Y. & N. J 33	2
Ilinois - Indiana 43	3
Wid - Central 74	4
Los Angeles'	
190	0

There was a total gain of 190 new members from January 1st to April 1st, 1959. However, membership is something that councils should make a year-round job and not only for the 3 month period during the drive. It would be interesting if we had the time to sit down and figure the membership gain for the next 3 month period following the drive.

Another important point that I should like to bring

Monsignor Ladislaus Tulaba, Rector of Lithuanian St. Casimir's College (Rome, Italy)

Rev. Anthony Miciunas, M.I.C., Draugas House Superior of Marian Monastery, (Chicago, Ill.)

Governor G. Mennen Williams (Michigan)

Rev. Thomas J. Kerwin (Michigan)

Prof. Adolfas Damušis — Ateitininkų Federacija (Michigan)

Marija Kacevičienė, pres. — Lietuvių R. K. Moterų Sąjunga (Detroit)

Phyllis Grendal Assoc. Editor of VYTIS (and in behalf of Dr. J. Leimonas, Editor) (Boston)

Vytautas Kutkus, pirm., Liet. Bendruomenės Detroite Rev. M. Urbonavičius, M.I.C., pastor of St. Peter's Church, Kenosha, Wisconsin.



Membership Drive Winner. Joseph Chaps, member of Council 79, Detroit, Michigan, smiles broadly having been presented with a trophy as 2nd prize winner in the Individual Membership Drive. On display is another trophy awarded Council 79, top winner.

out is that from my study of the membership of our organization, I have found that during the past 46 years the Knights of Lithuania has been known as a "youth organization." This has not only become a myth but has actually become a detriment for some councils in their drive for new members. It has also made our organizing of the Senior councils a difficult task. By looking around us, we know that the majority of the regular membership is past the youth stage.

All literature and throwaways distributed in the past have always stated "youth organization." In my drive this year, the word "youth" was eliminated for the first time. This is a word that should be gotten away from in the future drives for regular membership if we are to embrace all the Lithuanian-American peoples; if we hope to form more Senior groups and encourage business and professional people to join the Knights of Lithuania. Not to be misunderstood, youth or young blood is the most important asset in the growth of any organization and it is very gratifying to see the increased activity of our Junior councils.

In addition to conducting this year's Membership Drive, I attended all the Supreme Council Executive Board meetings. Also, in connection with the drive, as President of the New York & New Jersey district, I visited my local councils at their monthly meetings and tried to assist them in any way possible.

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to all the Supreme Council officers for their assistance and especially to Winnie Skudris, Financial Secretary, in making available to me all the data of this year's Membership Drive.

> ARTĖJA DIDYSIS VYČIŲ JUBILĖJUS. TODĖL VISOS VYČIŲ KUOPOS PADVIGUBINA SAVO NARIŲ SKAIČIŲ. DARBĄ PRADEDA JAU DABAR...

# A New K. of L. Publication – Our Lady of Šiluva

by REV. JOHN C. JUTT

In order to acquaint our members as well as others with the life of our Patron Saint, St. Casimir, our organization had occasion to publish a booklet on St. Casimir. Prepared by our National Spiritual Director Father Contons, it proved to be a very popular booklet.

We have heard so much about the apparitions of Our Lady at Lourdes and at Fatima. They are very well known among the people of the entire world. Yet there were apparitions that took place in Siluva, Lithuania 250 years before those at Lourdes and 309 years before those at Fatima. These apparitions are the first widely known apparitions that took place in Europe.

Is there any reason why these apparitions are not as well known as those of Lourdes and Fatima? It is up to us Lithuanians to make them better known among the people of the world. That is why Knights of Lithuania organization has undertaken to publish a second booklet: OUR LADY OF SILUVA. This booklet written in English acquaints the reader with what actually took place in Siluva.

A copy of this booklet has been sent to every member on the VYTIS mailing list. If someone has not received his or her copy, he may get in touch with Rev. John C. Jutt, 41 Providence Street, Worcester 4, Mass. and a copy will immediately be sent out.

May we ask you to do the following:

- 1. Please read the booklet and acquaint yourself with the favor Our Lady paid Lithuania, the land of our forbears.
- 2. Let other people know about these apparitions. Spread the booklet around everywhere, among your friends your neighbors, etc.
- 3. The cost of publishing the booklet amounts to quite a bit. Send in an offering to cover cost of printing, mailing, etc. Order more copies and give them out as gifts.
- 4. Speak to your Pastor about selling them before the church doors after each Mass on Sunday. The booklet sells for 25 cents. Thus you can make a few dollars for your council treasury.
- 5. Do your bit to spread devotion to Our Lady of Siluva. We can assure you that you will be Her favorite if you do.

If the apparitions at Lourdes and at Fatima can be so well known, why cannot we make those at Siluva just as well known? All we need to do is boost the booklet, be apostles of Our Lady of Siluva. Our Lady meant her message at Siluva for the entire world, not for Lithuania alone.

Our Lady of Siluva, pray for us.

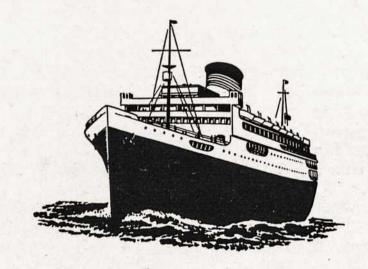
# K. of L. Eucharistic Congress Pilgrimage

The Eucharistic Congress to be held in Munich in 1960 will be truly one of the most magnificent demonstrations of Catholic faith in recent history. It will bring together from all over the world more than a mil!ion pilgrims to give public honor to the Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

We, in the K. of L. will be privileged to take part in the Congress and to share in this unique spiritual experience. The itinerary for the K. of L. pilgrimage was printed in the October issue of VYTIS and is the fruit of much thought and planning. It is hoped that it will meet with the approval of all interested in attending these events. The pilgrimage departs from the U.S. on July 23, 1960 and returns on Aug. 21.

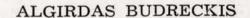
Featured in the pilgrimage are visits to London, steeped in the riches of English tradition; to Paris, the exciting center of fashion and culture; to Lucerne, nestling on the shores of the Lake of the Four Cantons in Switzerland and reputedly the most beautiful lake in the world; to Oberammergau and the world famous Passion Play staged every ten years; to Venice, the romantic city of islands and canals and the playgrounds of the Adriatic; to Rome, the shrine of early Christians, the altar of the martyrs, and the Chair of the Vicar of Christ on earth, Pope John XXIII; to Nice, the capital of the scenically wonderful French Riviera; to Monte Carlo, the glamorous resort of kings and princes; to Lourdes, the miraculous shrine of living faith; to Fatima, where the eyes of the Catholic world will be focused most especially in the year of 1960.

Thus far the response to the pilgrimage has been most enthusiastic and has surpassed original expectations. Plans were made originally for a group of 34 and by the middle of October the number of those interested was considerably higher. We are attempting to increase the number of reservations. However tickets to the Passion Play and hotel reservations in Munich are very scarce. Those interested in the pilgrimage should write to the national spiritual adviser as soon as possible. To be assured of a place a deposit of \$100.00 should be forwarded. Should there be more applicants than space available, reservations will have to be allocated to those who have sent in their deposit first.



MRS. TILLIE A. GERULIS of Worcester, Mass., was appointed member of the State Parole Board, by Governor Foster Furcolo. Mrs. Gerulis has been quite active in the Knights of Lithuania organization for a number of years and has served as Supreme Recording Secretary and Financial Secretary, respectively. Present at the State House ceremony September 11, 1959 were her brothers Constant (left) and Anthony Hill. On October 11th, a Testimonial Dinner was tendered in her honor by the Worcester Lithuanian Democratic League and Friends at Eden Gardens, Worcester. We wish Tillie success in her new post.





# JUOZO BLUOZGIO LAIŠKAS

(Arba: Kaip nerašyti laiškus lietuviškai)

Juozas Bluozgis, seniai atvykęs į Ameriką, atsisėdo prie stalo ir pradėjo rašyti laišką savo pusseserei Stasei Bluozgytei. Jis nematė jos dvidešimt metų. Taip pat jis seniai rašė laiškus Lietuvon. Jam jau buvo sunku rašyti laišką lietuviškai. Juozas Bluozgis suderino tokį raštą:

New Yorkas, N. Y., USA Novembris 7, 19—

"Brangi Stella,

Sari, kad aš tau neparašiau anksčiau. Labai sunkiai verkinau šapoje per tuos metus, tat neturėjau čieso rašyti gromatą. Oi koks sunkus ir durtinas buvo mano darbas. Bet dabar viskas yra fain. Mano bosas mane padarė formonu, ir parnešu geresnę peidę.

"Aš, išbuvęs Amerikoje du metus, apsiženijau. Mano boba yra poliokė. Jos vardas yra Džudi. Turiu du vaikų:Sally ir Džoną. Mano dukra Sally dirba ofise. Ji greitai apsives su savo bojfrendu Džo. Jis neseniai pabaigė škulę ir gavo fairmono darbą.

"Mano bojsas Džonas dar eina į škulę. Jo tičeriai sako, kad jis labai smart bojsas, bet lezis. Jis manęs visą laiką askina nupirktti jam karą. Bet jam sakau, kad jis dar tyneidžeris ir nemokės draivyti karą. Apart to jis labai gud bojsas. Jis mano bobai visada helpina apie auzą. Džoną neseniai išsiunčiau į štorą nupirkti bobai amės, oranžių ir keikso.

"Džonas labai razumnas. Jis mane vieną sykį paprašė jį patičyti kalbėti lietuviškai; bet aš jam pasakiau, kad jo tėvas yra Amerikos citizenas ir kad jis yra amerikončikas ir jam nereikia išmokti lietuviškai. Jam paaiškinau, kad užtenka čia žinoti amerikoniškai. Po to jis manęs neaskina patičyti ji lietuviškai.

"Mano boba dabar kukina lonči - kičene. Berods, kad valgysim kielbasu.

"O, o, mano švogerio Džimio karas stapina skersai stryto. Rodos, kad jis atėjo ėsti lonči su mumis. Mano bobos brolis Džimis yra toks bomas — visą čiesą drinkina byrą ir gemblina ant arkliukų.

"Tau pasiunčiau pakėči su šiūsais ir knygą apie Ameriką. Jeigu šiusų saizas yra per mažas, atsiųsk juos back?

"Nu, mano švogeris ringina žvaną. Aš jį turiu įsileisti. Tuo pačiu čiesu noriu finish šitą gromatą.

Tavo kozinas, Joe Bloss





Dear Fellow Knights:

Our Council, the one in the parish where you met Archbishop John F. Dearden and Bishop Vincentas Brizgys on that sweltering Sunday morning, being one of the hosts to you fine Lithuanian delegates, would like to give you a rookie council's appraisal of the recent Detroit conclave.

As many of you know, we were the youngest council present, just one-half year old, but boasting over one hundred members. (Quite an undertaking for a new council; in fact, we accepted co-sponsorship reluctantly, as being little qualified.) As rookies, during most of the sessions we were content to be just 'good listeners', so please don't construe that as indifference on our part.

We were not as fortunate as many of you in meeting old friends at the convention — you all were new to us, except that perhaps we had seen your name time and again in the VYTIS, so don't judge us too harshly. Then too, what with the heat and, to us, the confusing details of the convention, we regret that we were not able to meet all of you personally. But you did come to Detroit. Thank you; we'll return the compliment.

We were very impressed, Fellow Knights, by the devotedness, to the K. of L. cause, on the part of the visiting clergy, especially Father Albert Conton and Father John Jutt. (You'll note, they are placed alphabetically — we won't dare weigh their relative merits.) We were also impressed by the leadership of your bemedalled veterans; we were also greatly inspired by the enthusiasm of the younger members, so outspoken and so well versed in Lithuanian matters; no wonder they were sent to represent their councils.

Coming from a new parish (Divine Providence) one with a mixed congregation at the present (originally it was called St. George's, with a K. of L. council, 40 years ago) we have many problems not found in Lithuanian parishes which exist in a Lithuanian community. However we can assure you that your visit (let's call it a pilgrimage) has done wonders for the morale of our Lithuanian parishioners, thank you. We shall never forget the words of Archbishop Dearden, "Keep alive all Lithuanian Catholic traditions, for traditions of each nationality are good for our Faith and family life. Our traditions may vary, but our Faith is the same." That, from an archbishop, newly-appointed to Detroit, and one who has attended his second Knights of Lithuania Convention.



Olympics Boxing Champ — Ed. Martinaitis, principal speaker at Sports Luncheon (English Room, Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel), third from left, is pictured with the Convention Committee — Joseph Chaps, Delphine Stefan, Lillian Stefan, Robert Boris and Anthony Dainus.

#### DONATIONS (during Convention)

Kun. Jonas T. Bakanas, Pastor of St. Casimir's	
Church, Worcester, Mass.	\$25.00
Liet. Vyčiu Sendraugiu Kuopa, Chicago, Ill.	
(Ig. Sakalas, pirm.) (Vytis Fund)	25.00
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J. Savickus, K. of L. Legal Adviser,	
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Council 90, Harrison-Kearny, N. J.	20.00
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Strolis, Newark, N. J. (Vy-	
tis Fund)	10.00
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tis Fund)	10.00
Prof. Alexander J. Aleksis, Waterbury, Conn.,	
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Jonas Juozaitis-Jatis, Chicago, Ill., hon. memb.	10.00
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Spiritual Adviser, Boston, Mass	10.00
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of L. spiritual adviser (Vytis Fund)	5.00
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Council 3, Philadelphia, Penna	5.00
Aleksas Banys, Detroit, Michigan	5.00
	225.00

You have left us, dear Knights, with fondest memories, including something tangible in our Lithuanian crusade — "It is better to light one little candle, than curse the darkness."

Vytiškai, Anthony Dainus, President Council 79,, Detroit

# VEIKIA



# COUNCIL

# MID-CENTRAL DISTRICT

Detroit, Michigan - 79

The officers of Councils 79 & 102 feel that the many things we did so far this year were well done. Others might have been better done.

Let each K. of L. member plan now to do his share and to do it as well and as tactfully as he can. If we are assigned work let us see to it that it is handled promptly. I know that "what is worth doing is worth doing well" is a trite saying, but it happens to be a very true one.

If a K. of L. member is given an assignment that he cannot fullfill, or if elected to an office that he cannot find time to fill properly, then let him say so at once and give those in control an opportunity to put the work in the hands of a member who will look after it promptly. Holding office is no honor; holding and filling an office satisfactorily is an honor. If you cannot, therefore, give the service a position demands, do not accept the position. Do not accept a committee work unless you are ready to carry your share of its duties.

On the other hand, the member who gives nothing and takes all is not a good club member. You owe it to the K. of L. to find time for some service in its behalf. Maybe some other member can - in your estimate — give better service than can you, but if you are the one who has been asked, do not refuse through any false modesty, but accept and do your best. Nobody can do more than that, you know. We have work and loyalty throughout the Knights of Lithuania organization. Will you give it? We must have old and new members who are willing to carry on the traditions and high standing the Knights of Lithuania has attained. Will you help seek them out and

interest them in our K. of L. organization? Are you ready to work with and for that organization? Above all, we need Catholic Lithuanians who have real love for the K. of L. and our much hurt Lithuania, also who put its interests on a par with their own, and who give it freely of their best. Are you such a member? You owe it to yourself and the K. of L. to be such a member!

J. Chaps, Vice President Membership Drive

#### MEMBERSHIP SHOULD BE BASED ON AN ACTIVE INTEREST

Membership should also carry a responsibility for promptness in meeting all obligations. One would think, to see some members in action, that they thought the officers and committee chairmen were listed among the unemployed in the community, that the officers had nothing else to do except sit and wait while the minutes passed before the laggard members arrived for a meeting. We members need to remind ourselves now and then that the officers, membership chairmen and committee chairmen are not paid for their services. They are giving their time and energy to make possible a program from which every K. of L'er profits and enjoys. Your officers and committee chairmen should be paid at least the courtesy of promptness.

And there should be a willingness on the part of all K. of L'ers to do their share. Too many people want all the advantages of the K. of L. organization without assuming any of the responsibility.

Every member is obligated to undertake the share of the organization's load that they are capable of carrying. A Better K. of L. Organization Begins With You!

J. Chaps — Vice Pres. Membership Drive YOUR DUTY K. of L'er

Joseph Chaps

Every member of the Knights of Lithuania can beam with pride of what the 46th National Convention did for the organization. It was a great triumph! Congratulations to the wonderful teamwork of C-79 and C-102.

A couple of things, in my humble opinion, bear a lot of repeating:

"It is shocking, and indeed something in the way of a disgrace, that the Lithuanian people have not made this organization larger than what it is. The purpose and ideals of this organization is for the benefit of all Catholic Lithuanians and still many Lithuanians do nothing about joining."

Has not this organization had the purpose or the will to keep the Lithuanian people together, then why by all means is it that it lacks our Lithuanian backing.

Could it be that the Knights of Lithuania lack of membership is a result from "lack of membership participation in the organization"?

Every K. of L. member can admit not having concerned himself enough in the past with the duties as a member: to take interest and meet all obligations of the organization and to constantly seek out new members.

You should recognize the obligations as a K. of L'er to take the initiative to serve the organization in any way you can, and every little extra effort will be rewarding.

Helping to achieve the Aims and Ideals for the betterment of the Knights of Lithuania organization is very important to every member. I believe that by our participation in the Knights of Lithuania functions we are making our maximum contribution.

Have we the courage, stamina, the sense of duty, and the understanding of what the Knights of Lithuania stands for and what it really means to us? Have we, as its members, got the courage and stamina to continue everlastingly to carry on the search and seek out new members who will carry on its traditions? Or do we just say let someone else tend to that matter?

There is nothing jingoistic in the Knights of Lithuania organization's ambitions. She seeks only for the other Lithuanians, the rights and privileges that she maintains for its members.

This, it seems to me, is the one thing we must keep always in our undestanding and in our hearts. The Knights of Lithuania organization is not something that we keep just because what it was organized for but what its obligations are to its Lithuanian people.

The Knights of Lithuania organization is what we, as members, make it. Are we ready to sacrifice for it? Are we ready to dig in our pocketbooks? Are we ready to give our efforts in intelligence and everything we have to create the conditions under which all Lithuanians can enjoy the Spiritual fruitfullness and the social aspects of the organization?

#### IN APPRECIATION

Any K. of L'er privileged to receive from his fellow Knights an award signifying their respect for his efforts to promote and increase the organization's membership should indeed be proud. Moreover he should be very humble. You may rest assured, I will keep up the drive for membership throughout the year.

I cannot tell you how proud I am to have this award. I hope I will be worthy of it.

# Pittsburgh, Pa. — 19 Mildred Chinik

On the occasion of Father Alfa Šušinskas 25th Anniversary as a Priest, Council 19 members held a surprise dinner on May 27th, Wednesday evening, at the Hotel Roosevelt for members and friends of Father's. It was very well attended and Father was deeply moved that we had remembered him on such an occasion. Congratulations, Father Alfa, and may we be around to wish you a Happy Fiftieth!

Our members have been very busy increasing their ranks — babies are quite the fashion! A baby son, John Paul, was the latest arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Kolicius, Jr. and a new baby daughter, Daina, has arrived to keep Dalia company at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vyto Jucevičius. Congratulations to both families from all of us.

A former member of Council 19 and the goddaughter of Antoinette Naujelis, was married recently. Pauline Bartinikas was married to PFC Walter Senoski at St. Casimir's Church on Saturday June 27th at 11 o'clock Mass. She is the niece, too, of one of our very good members, Mrs. Ellen Pavlosky. We're sorry Pauline won't be living in Pittsburgh. She is joining her husband in Edgewood, Maryland.

Congratulations of still another kind are due the Giusti family, now living in Stamford, Connecticut. Your reporter heard some good news about them recently and was most sorry to have missed seeing them when they visited in Pittsburgh. Gino Giusti and his wife, the former Ruth Greblunas, and son Paul made a quickie visit to Pittsburgh to see Daddy awarded his Ph. D. from the University of Pittsburgh in June. Congratulations, Gino and Ruth! We all know how hard you both worked so that Gino might earn his coveted degree.

Our big Picnic for the benefit of the Lithuanian Catholic Hour took place on July 26th and all the members pitched in and worked like beavers to make it a success!

Father Joseph Girdis, whom many of you will remember when he was an Assistant at St. Casimir's, has now been appointed Pastor at St. Vincent's Church in Esplen. We're hoping now that he will get busy and revive the Esplen Council of K. of L. there. When he was at St. Casimir's he was very active in our Council. Congratulations to Father Joe on his new appointment and God's blessing on his success in his new pastorate.

This summer, too, two of our former members visited Pittsburgh — two members who were most active and whom we dearly miss, needless to say. They are Bill and Ruth Marculaitis, the former Ruth Milewski. They are the parents of

two lovely children, Sheryl and Billy, two future K. of L'ers! They are living in Maplewood, N. J.

At least twenty of our members traveled to Detroit to the National Convention and I'm sure I speak for all of them I say "We all had a wonderful time." A great big THANKS goes out from all of us to Bob Boris, the Chairman and his wonderful committee members. All the events were well planned — during the Convention and prior to it, too.

We didn't win any prizes for Council 19 in the Membership Drive nor in the Tournaments — golf or bowling. Well, we can try again next year! Even tho' members did not run for any major national offices some of our members are going to be kept busy in a national capacity — On the Scholarship Committee, Father Walter Karaveckas, William Kolicius and Walter Chinik. Julia Aleshunas is our new National Lithuanian Affairs Chairman. Father Jutkevicius really surprised Mildred Chinik, though, when he presented her with the lovely plaque for her work in Lithuanian Affairs. It was most unexpected but most appreciated.

The members returned to Pitts-burgh all imbued with new ambition to work on Council plans for next year. I guess it takes a successful convention to get us all "hep" again. Our first duty upon our return will be to receive Communion in a body in honor of Our Lady of Šiluva on Sunday, September 12th.

Along about November we'll be deep in plans for a Radio Program Banquet to boost our fund and help keep the Lithuanian Catholic Hour on the air.

Then in December the usual Christmas Party will come along to put us all in the holiday spirit.

There aren't any further plans afoot just yet since we haven't had a chance to hold a meeting prior to meeting the deadline for this issue.

## ILLINOIS-INDIANA DISTRICT

Tony Yuknis

The Chicagoans who will continue to serve as officers and members of the Supreme Council are:

Loretta Kassel, Recording Secretary; Konnie Savickus, Legal Adviser; Jack Jatis, Ritual; Al Kassel, Sports; Stanley Kancewick, Art Director; Ed Sulaitis and Tony Yuknis, chmn. Public Relations.

Our Lady of Vilna team won the baseball championship in the K. of L. League. Trophies were presented at the District's bowling supper, Sunday eve., October 18th, at the K. of L. hall.

Recent visitors to Chicago were Frank Vaskas of Newark, N. J. and Joe Sable, also of New Jersey... Bernard Kvietkus, C-36 4th Ritual degree member, was installed as Commander of the Don Varnas Post of the American Legion .... Adam Anderson, C-112, was installed as Finance officer of the 4th District of the American Legion .... Bruno Mikenas, C-24:99 is convalescing at the Hines Veterans Hospital.... George Jonikas, C-112, p. Commander of the Don Varnas Post and p. District President was Chairman of the Legion Dance held October 17th at the Lithuanian auditorium... Jerry Jesulaitis, C-24:99, p. District President, was bestowed the 4th Ritual degree during the national convention held in Detroit.... Al Manst, District President, has announced that the K. of L. Basketball Team will play their games at St. Rita's High School this autumn... Northside C-5 held their annual dance at the K. of L. Hall on Saturday night, October 24th. Loretta Macekonis and Helen Zimmer were in charge of the dance.

#### Calendar of Events (October)

The District had many activities this past month. On Tuesday, October 13th, Council 14 (Cicero) and Council 82 (Gary) held their meetings. On the 14th, Board of Directors of the District met. On the 18th, District bowling at Queens Alleys. On the 20th, Senior Council held its meeting at the K. of L. Hall; also Council 112 (Marquette Park) at the Nativity Church Hall. On the 21st, District held its meeting at the K. of L. Hall, 8 p.m. On the 25th, Council 36 (Brighton Park) sponsored a Communion and Breakfast and observed its 45th anniversary. On the 31st, Council 112 (Marguette Park) held a Halloween Party.

Chicago, Ill. — 112 Geraldine Kantaut

On Sunday, June 7, our members received Holy Communion in a body at the 10:00 Mass in Nativity B. V. M. Church. After Mass, most of us went home and changed into more comfortable attire and then headed out to the Holy Family Villa for a day of relaxation and good food at the Villa's picnic. The purpose of the affair was to raise funds for the Home for the Aged.

The theatre was a gathering place for Council 112 members and guests on June 10 when we saw the wonderful musical, "The Music Man." This marked one of the brightest and most enjoyable socials of the year, arranged for us by our social chairman Dolores Yuknis, and ably assisted by Lorraine Wainauskis.

Al Mockus and Al Dagis presided as chairman and co-chairman, respectively, at the District's Annual Fourth of July Picnic held at Rich Butchas' Willow West Grove. The day was just right for a picnic, marred only by the showers which fell in the late afternoon and evening, but even this didn't dampen our spirits and we all had a lot of fun. One of our members was lucky enough to share in the raffle prizes. Rich Butchas won a dozen golf balls. (We know where you spent the summer, Rich!)

The Indiana dunes provided an excellent location for a day of sun and surf when members and guests gathered together for a beach party on Saturday, August 1. Unfortunately though the weather was perfect, the wind was blowing hard and made the water too wavy for swimming. After developing ravenous appetites we were eager for the wienie roast which concluded the affair.

Al Shulicke was chairman of our Halloween Party held October 31 in the K. of L. Youth Center.

The time is drawing near for our annual Thanksgiving Dance on November 25. Already hard at work doing the thousand and one things necessary to make this dance a success are chairman Ed Krivickas and his able committee consisting of Angie Andres, John Chaplin, Ruth Dagis, Geraldine Kantaut, Al Mockus, Ann Marie Paukstis, Flo-

rence Rumsas, Al Shulicke and Pat Usavage.

Thirteen of our members attended the testimonial dinner at Nativity B. V. M. parish hall on Saturday, September 19, honoring Rev. Leonard Vaisvilas and Rev. John Vysniauskas. Father Leonard, who was our council's spiritual adviser during 1959, has been transferred to another parish, and Father John is his successor.

Our quarterly Communion Sunday (September 13) was well attended by 23 members. After Mass, the council treated participating members to a delicious brunch at the Algier's Desert Inn. Later in the day we marched in the Our Lady of Siluva procession starting from Maria High School and going into Nativity Church.

"Autumn Rhapsody" has been selected as the name of our annual Thanksgiving Eve dance which is to be held in the K. of L. Youth Center. The music will be provided by the "Top Tones." Chairman Ed Krivickas reports everything is going along smoothly as everyone is pitching in and doing a good job.

Council members having birthdays in October were Angie Andres, Rita Gorb, and Andy Tatusko. Those in November are Al Dagis, Jim Bozec, Connie Rozmin, Irene Rakaitis, Lucille Stasiunas, and Ed Ubis.

Twenty-eight members and guests boarded a bus for a threehour ride to Tockton, Ill., on Sunday, October 4, for a day of funfilled activities at the Wagon Wheel. Al Dagis-was the envy of the hungry riders during this long ride with a bulging paper bag which he said contained 14 sandwiches. To their dismay, it contained only song books. Once there, it was found the Wagon Wheel offered a dozen and one things to do including swimming, roller skating, and bowling. Also — never let it be said that bus rides can be dull - so evidenced by Angie Andres and Ed Krivickas who showed everyone that a polka can be danced even on a crowded

Chicago, III. - 36 Blogas Vladas

Convention Report: Our council was represented at the 46th convention by the following 36'ers: Sophie "Scotty" Zukas, Wally Ten-

clinger, Al Kassel, and Aldona Kaminskis. Our own Loretta Kassel was present also but as a Supreme Council delegate. We all had a very enjoyable stay in Detroit and thank Bob Boris and his fine committee for making us feel right at home. Council 36 came home with some proud honors as a result of the convention, and every 36'er will be doubly proud that he or she is a member of Brighton Park's greatest council in many a year.

To begin with, we won the second place in the National Membership Drive with the addition of 26 members, which was 11 over our set quota. Scotty accepted the impressive trophy at the Friday's luncheon and Fashion Show. Well, Lor Kassel did it again. She was overwhelmingly reelected as the Supreme Council Recording Secretary. Our heartiest congratulations go out to Lor and our best wishes are with her for the coming year. Besides that honor, Lor was the Golf Queen of the 1959 convention and has to make some more room on the piano at home to put her trophy among the many, many that are already there. Wally Tenclinger has chalked up some committee experience while attending his first convention. He served as a member of the Nominating Committee.

Al Kassel was elected one of the Co-Chairman of the Sports Committee. Being so sports-minded, we are quite sure that Al will do a TREMENDOUS job in stirring up the Mid-West Sports program. Good Luck Mr. Kassel.

We even helped put on an act in the K. of L. Capers which was presented Friday night in the Grand Ballroom. We were billed as the "Surprise from Chicago", and boy what a big surprise we were. Lor was "Kantrybė", Wally was "Blogas Vladas" along with Loretta "Drąsybė" Macekonis, and Helen "Dorybe" Zimmer from Northside Council 5. A guest from Cicero, Valerie "Gražybė" Milauckas. They all attempted to portray "Patience and Prudence" by singing "Tonight, You Belong to Me" in Lithuanian, Chicago style. However, we all went over with a large bang, especially "Blogas Vladas" with his "Kaip Sakė" shorts, hula hoop, little red wagon, and custodian of the lollypops. We all had a bell in doing this act and at present we are available for all occasions. But we are booked until 1963 so you'll just have to wait until then to see us.

Much was accomplished in the sessions and in this coming year we are asking each member to really pitch in and help to promote the betterment of the K. of L. and Council 36 at the same time.

Loretta Kassel is getting some disgusting looks from Blogas every time they pass each other on the street driving their cars. It seems that Lor is sporting a "Help stamp out Cadillacs" sign on her Volkswagen and this irritates Blogas when he drives his. But word gets around and so he'll have a "Help stamp out Volkswagens" sign on his Caddy. Looks like a war on Rockwell Street.

Our last meeting in August was highlighted by the Tour of Europe via color slides shown by none other than Miss Kassel.

Lucille Stacy is sporting an envious tan these days. She recently returned from a Wisconsin vacation. But her tan didn't compare with Betty Mikalauskas' and Joan Dumblauskas' lovely Fort Lauderdale, Florida tan when they took their early vacation in June.

#### Gary, Ind. — 82 A. Kukurugva

Watch Out for the Football! It was only the K. of L'ers of Gary having a good time at their annual picnic held at Marquette Park, on August 30th. Rev. John Daniels, Pastor of St. Casimir's and his Asst. Rev. Ig. Urbonas joined us in the festivities. Both young and old had a good time chatting, playing games and just plain relaxing.

Pardon us: Wish to make a correction — it was Mrs. Michael Mihaluk who was chairman of the Bowling Tournament held last May, not Mrs. Mary Rukas as mentioned in the last issue of VYTIS.

#### **Detroit Convention**

Upon returning home from the 46th National K. of L. Convention, our delegate, Mrs. Sophie Kaminski and guests Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Juknevich, Mrs. Tony Shirvinski and daughter, Carol, and Joe Kurpalis, all reported that convention will long be remembered as a success. Before and after the conven-

tion activities kept them busy every minute! Thanks, Detroit, for the wonderful Convention!

## NEW YORK NEW JERSEY DISTRICT

Amsterdam, New York — 100 Smile & Sparkle

#### At Rimkunas' Camp

Melodious voices of our K of L'ers could be heard on Lake Galway on July 12 at Steve and Sophie Rimkunas' camp. Leading our group of singers was none other than Prof. Joseph Olsauskas. Singing along "Hot and Heavy" were our three guests from Worcester, Massachusetts — Joe Drumstas, Vitty Morkunas, and Joe Sipas. During the afternoon a New Jersey car was spotted, and Gene Gobis said, "It must be Frank Misakevitz and Chip Chaponis!" By golly — it was! Connie Zygel, Pat Sargalis, Eleanore Stakauskas, Bernice Blusis, Bubbles Kutchis, Sophie Olbie, Pauline Urban, Helen Dombroski, and Shirley Brown - our Sunshine Girls were all introduced to the visitors.

Don Nikstenas' mother brought along her two grandchildren who are visiting her from Hartford, Conn. Father Baltch brought his parents. We had our City Assessor, Michael Kerbelis and his wife, Louise, in our midst, along with Mr. and Mrs. George Gaska. John Hartvigas, who is a very talented artist, came along with Prof. Olsauskas. We were also very happy to have Father Matthew Cyvas, Assistant at St. Michael's Church and Father Mockus of Little Falls, New York, attending. Then too, we can't forget Tony and Ann Beleckas, Charles and Sadie Karbus, and Margaret Boccio. Arriving in time to join us for the evening meal were Stanley Rimkūnas (Steve and Sophie's son) and his fianceé, Evelyn Derenske. (They are now Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Rimkūnas as of September 12. Best of luck to the newlyweds.)

Sophie Olbie outdid herself in making the Lithuanian goulash, pickled beets, and her famous baked beans. Ann Beleckas furnished the Kugelis. Matt Kazlauskas arrived with a whole pot full of "Virtinių" which his wife, Nancy made. Then

Don's mother, Gene's mother, Sadie Karbus and Pat Sargalis, all made cabbage turnovers "Karveliukai". Eleanore Stakauskas brought the salad, Pauline Urban, the olives and pickles, Connie Zygel the hot dogs, and Margaret Boccio, the hot meatballs. We had such a variety of food!

We had a "Swing Contest." Joe Sipas and Bernice Blusis attempted to outdo each other in seeing who could swing higher!

There were only two mermaids this year, Pat Sargalis and Eleanore Stakauskas. Father Baltch, Father Cyvas, and Don Nikstenas were the only others who donned their bathing trunks.

All too soon the evening came upon us, and the group began to scatter. We hope that our friends from Worcester and Elizabeth had a good time. We certainly were delighted to have them in our midst.

#### Here and There

Tony and Edna Stokna attended the Elks Convention in Chicago, Illinois. Edna was fortunate to see Prince Philip and Queen Elizabeth of England when they were in Chicago.

At a recent Art Exhibit in Amsterdam, Matthew Orante had three of his painting on display. He received honorable mention for one. He also had a few of his wood carvings there. One was titled, "The Lithuanian Bread Cutter."

Sophie Olbie and Gene Gobis were both lucky at Saratoga this year!

Ed Baranauskas' job has taken him to California for three months. His wife, Eleanore, was unable to accompany him this time.

#### "Convention News Bits"

Upon landing at Metropolitan Airport, Gene Gobis was met by Estelle Pileckas, newest member of Council 79, and Charles Gogelis. Having arrived at Estelle's home, she was greeted by Frank and Sophie Zager (Council 79), Estelle's and brother-in-law, who quickly rushed her down to their basement playroom where Gene was greeted with a welcome party. Attending the affair were Mr. and Mrs. Vinciunas, Gene's cousins, Stan and Nellie Sutkiewicz, Bob Boris, Joe and Jerry Chaps, Vicky Chepelonis, Betty and Frank Petroski, Julius Bridgevaitis, Charles Gogelis, Estelle Pileckas, and the hosts, Frank and Sophie Žager.

Our other Amsterdam delegate arrived in Detroit two days later. Isabelle Dopkus spent a weekend in Chicago visiting her brother Al, who is an engineer with the General Electric Company.

A full day of sightseeing was arranged for the delegates and everyone was on his merry way at 9:00 a.m. While the others rode by bus, Frank Vaskas, Joe Sipas, Isabelle Dopkus, and Gene Gobis enjoyed driving in Vince Boris' air-conditioned automobile. It made the tour much more pleasant, seeing as the temperature outdoors was 92°. The girls were extremely tired after touring the Ford Foundry, the Ford Rotunda, and the Greenfield Museum. However, Vince convinced the girls to see Greenfield Village. They just couldn't keep his pace, so, off went the shoes. The tour ended with a trio, or shall I say a quartet Vince, of sad sacks resting on the Village lawn!,

That Elizabeth, New Jersey suite was THE SPOT for get-togethers once again. The hospitality of the Elizabeth boys could not be matched. Your reporter wishes to thank the boys for many pleasant "AFTER HOUR SESSIONS" held in the very popular suite.

The Detroit Councils 102 and 79, really went "ALL OUT" to make the convention one of the most successful in years. Bob Boris had a wonderful group of people working with him. The Variety Show with a cast of around 80 was a masterpiece. With such talent as Barbara Surbis, William Juodwalkis, Bruno Sinkus, Beverly Palermino, Leon Galinskas, and Joe Chaps, they had it made! In fact, everyone was great. Barbara's father is Dr. Surbis, a former Amsterdamian.

It was good to see friends and relatives once again. Getting reacquainted with Isabelle and Gene were Gene's cousins Carl Gobis and his sister, Lillian, Sue Bairunas and Madelyn Bansavich of Hartford, Conn., Nellie Arunski and Bill Smith of Cleveland, Ohio, Pat Zelinskas, Mary Lucas, Stan and Helen Vaitkus of Dayton, Ohio and others.

Many old friends were expecting Prof. Joseph Olsauskas, but due to unforseen events, he was unable to attend. Prof. Olsauskas at one time had been the organist and choir director at St. Anthony's Church in Detroit.

Your Amsterdam delegates had an extremely good time. They even managed to get to Windsor, Canada for one night with Estelle Pileckas and Charles Gogelis.

#### Philadelphia, Pa. 3 — "Twinkle"

Here we are after a very busy summer with some overdue news. Some of the vacations to be long remembered are a tour of the Southern States taken by Ann Simmons and her brother, Joe, an unforgetable trip to Canada by Hedy Sarcewicz, a wonderful week at the Pocono Mountains for Irene Varevice and Agnes Timmins, and at Wildwood for Lillian and Irene Sasnauskas and Virginia Linkewich.

On June 14, the Juniors held a Communion Breakfast commemorating their 4th Anniversary. We thank them for the delicious breakfast and amusing show they presented us. Also in June, we had our annual Swimming Party, this time at Lake Worth, New Jersey. In July we spent an enjoyable weekend at Ocean Gate, New Jersey. In August we went on a Crabbing Trip to Seaside Heights although we only caught a handfull of crabs, everyone had a wonderful time.

On Sept. 20 the N. Y.-N. J. District meeting was held at St. Casimir's Hall in Philadelphia. On September 27th we held a picnic at Bell Gardens Recreation Center, Belmar, New Jersey.

Belated birthday greetings to Hedy Sarcewicz (July) and Steve Salnaitis (August). Good Luck to Bill Bubnas who received his pilot's license. Congratulations to Joe Turanski who was wed to Lis Kristensen of Denmark on July 15. Best of Luck to Ray Pukas who is in the Army now.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Helen Shields on the death of her father.

#### Queens, N. Y. - 41 Joan Mazeika

On August nineteenth through the twenty-third, representatives of Council 41 attended the K. of L. National Convention in Detroit. The delegates elected for the convention were Tony Mazeika, Jr., Helen Matusevicius and Tom Michalski, and the delegates were Eugene Marcis and Joan Mazeika. We not only enjoyed ourselves wholeheartedly, but learned many valuable points

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concerning the restrengthening of our own council. The Convention was certainly a wonderful way to end the summer! (Worcester, 1960 — here we come!)

On Sunday, August 30, the delegates and alternates held a meeting to review their notes from the convention and to re-vitalize all reconstructive plans for our council.

On Sunday, September 13, Council 41 held a formal meeting of all members at Annunciation Hall, Brooklyn. At the meeting, President Tony Mazeika, Jr. and Vicepresident Tom Michalski presented a new Spiritual and Cultural Program which was unanimously accepted by all members. It included plans to attend more frequent Communion as a group, to establish a permanent Lithuanian folk-dancing group and to extend the Lithuanian Affairs Committee. Also, a committee was planned to run our annual Christmas Dance at Annunciation Hall, and rehearsal dates were established for our play to be held around the month of February, All in all, the meeting proved to be both interesting and constructive to all who attended.

After the meeting, ten of our members attended the Jack Stukas picnic in New Jersey. Congratulations to our beautiful blonde secretary Eleanor Peckaitis for being chosen "Miss Lithuania" of 1959 five minutes after we arrived! And congratulations to Irene Sandanavicius and Tony Mazeika, Jr. for winning the polka contest ten minutes after we arrived. We certainly walked off with all the prizes. Council 41 members are champions all-around!

#### Elizabeth, N. J. - 52 "nuff said"

Fall activities have started with our September meeting. A goodly portion of the membership was in attendance. Could it have been the coffee and cake served so graciously by Ann Mitchell, Fran Balandis, Ruth Laucius and Ann Baronis?

Happy to have our own Ann Mitchell as an honorary member of the K. of L., an honor she rightly deserves. On December 5th, our council will proudly tender her a testimonial dinner at the Lithuanian Liberty Hall, at which we expect all our past, present and future

members at the gala affair.

Ruth Laucius has assumed the office of Junior Counselor, temporarily, in place of Ed Anilonis who is unavailable evenings. Ruth would welcome a Co-Counselor in order to lessen her task.

Our council's by-laws are being revised by our President Al Budrecki, and at each meeting a portion of the by-laws will be read to the membership for its approval. Would you call it the "installment plan?"

All who attended the national convention have nothing but praise for the good people of Detroit. A long stream of "Thanks" to the gracious hosts.

Father Karalevicius gave a talk on his favorite topic — the JUNIOR K. OF L. He has high hopes of increasing the Junior membership.

Welcome back to Stanley Naiva, who served 3 years in the Army and was honorably discharged as Specialist 4th Class. Already he is discharging his duties as a specialist in civilian life.

Aside to Rita Pinkus: The dinner date is accepted and looked forward to. Rita, do you know what you are letting yourself in for? I dislike being a snitcher, but everyone of your guests has an unfathomable capacity!

Wonder why our Veep Ed Anilonis is dabbling in real estate?...

Pete Kasilonis is sort of a celebrity—had his picture in LIFE magazine.

#### K. OF L. CALENDAR

November 25 — Chicago, Ill. (112) Thanksgiving Dance.

November 28 — South Boston, Mass. (17) DANCE, Bradford Hotel, Boston.

December 5 — Testimonial Dinner tendered Anne Mitchell, newlyelevated Honorary Member of K. of L. at Lithuanian Liberty Hall. Host - Council 52, Elizabeth, N. J.

December 13 — Newark, N. J. (29) Card Party, St. George's Hall, 180 New York Ave., Newark, 6 p.m.

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January 23 — Kearny-Harrison, N. J. (90) '60 by #90 — DANCE, Jackson's Auditorium, Kingland & Harrison Aves., Harrison, N. J.

## NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

South Boston, Mass. — 17 "Double Trouble"

As we headed for our tour to the Ford Motor Co. and Greenfield Village, we had an enjoyable bus-ride, with singing of Lith, songs and the fellows as (gentlemen) standing. Various points of interest were shown on our trip. We learned of the detailed skills involved in operating such a huge plant. As we proceeded thru the plant, we saw the minute details involved in making a car, and boy was it "hot", plus the odor of sulfur fumes (good substitute for Arpege). At the Ford Rotunda, we saw some of the finished models and "The World Tomorrow", specializing in an air-controlled car, approximately 1 in. from the ground.

After an interesting tour at the Ford Rotunda and Plant, we proceeded to the Greenfield Village where dinner was served at the Inn and music provided by a New Jersey K. of L.'er. The Ford Museum was of interest, as it had locomotives, stagecoaches and cars still in operating condition. Many other points of interest, such as antique glass and old silver, were observed. A tour of the village was then taken in. During the tour, many floors of the homes were (buffed by some of the K. of L. barefoot countessas). We had a personally guided tour by one of the frequent visitors of the village (K. of L.'er) course. Historical scenes such as Lincoln's assassination chair and law court, Edison's home and laboratory, and Stephen Foster's home, were only some of the interesting places visited.

An enjoyable time and day was had by all. The weary sightseers headed back to the hotel. Two of our K. of L.'ers took a side trip to "Canada", Lady Prune and N. Douda, ? as to outcome?

Prie kiekvienos vyčių kuopos būtinai turi veikti ir jaunesniųjų vyčių kuopos. Organizuokime!