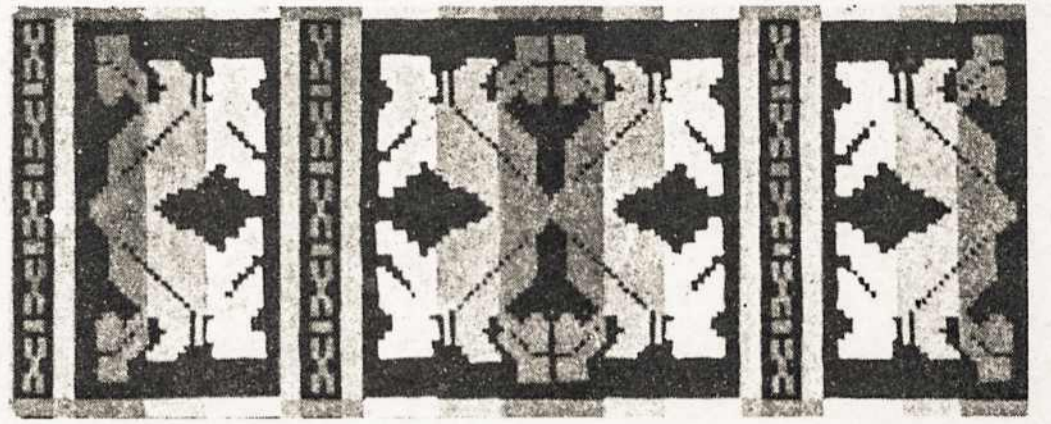
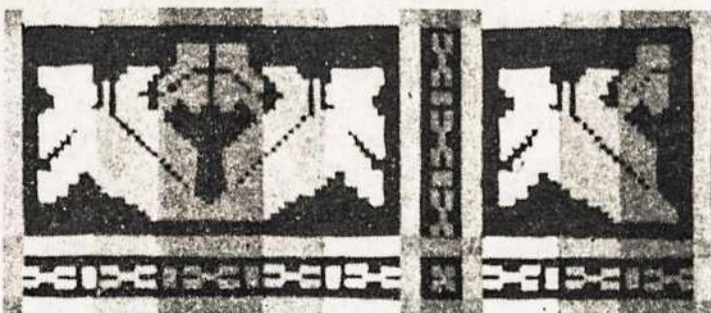


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Junior K of L'ers display their prize winning contest entries
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COVER STORY

Helen Shields conducted a very successful Junior Knights of Lithuania Convention at St. Michael's parish, Bayonne, N.J. April 30th, 1961. One of the highlights of the Third Convention was the contest conducted for the Juniors.

The cover pictures the Junior Knights with their prize winning entries of the contest.

Pictured from left to right, front, are: Joyce Markowski, Bayonne, N.J., third prize; Audrone Jarmus, Elizabeth, N.J., second prize; Bernadette Czekay, Elizabeth, N.J., first prize; Vito Balnys, Philadelphia, Pa., first prize; Joseph Maculaitis, Bayonne, N.J., second prize; Norijus Jarmus, Elizabeth, N.J., third prize. Standing in the second row are: Helen Shields, National Vice President of the Knights of Lithuania; Rev. John Starkus, pastor of St. Michael's parish, Bayonne, N.J.; and Rev. Peter Zemeikis, assistant at St. Michael's. The Juniors are shown with their costumed dolls and drawings which won the prizes.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Ever forward, always onward," is the keynote directing the efforts of the present Supreme Council, which has dedicated itself to lead the organization to new plateaus, to greater accomplishments than ever before. We are not content to reminisce on past glories but are most anxiously concerned with the present and the future.

As our first major project for this year, we present to you, with this issue, A NEW VYTIS! Many months of conferences, investigations and study have resulted in a Vytis that:

- 1) Will cost less to publish,
- 2) Will be more profusely illustrated - at no extra cost,
- 3) Has a new Editorial Staff, which, due to its high caliber, will surely stir up new reader interest.
- 4) Will arrive on time, within the first 10 days of the month published.

We think the majority will be pleased with this change. Whether or not you are, your comments will be appreciated.

Likewise of major importance, is the current campaign to organize Junior Councils in each and every council and parish of the U. S. A. It takes but a few moments of serious contemplation to realize that this is the most important phase of our organization. Without Juniors TODAY, there will be no K of L TOMORROW. A plan to establish Junior Councils in every Lithuanian parochial school is being undertaken with encouraging results.

Another aspect of our organization which should receive the consideration of every council, is the support and cooperation given to the Lithuanian parish and its



Bob BORIS

pastor. Unless a K of L Council is a vital and active part of the parish, the purpose and reason for its existence becomes vague. We must regain our rightful title as the "Right arm of the Lithuanian Parish." The Parish needs us: we need the Parish!

A project currently materializing is a plan to modernize our National Convention. This year it is hoped to have a sound program of inspiring and thought-provoking conferences and roundtable discussions, and cut down or eliminate all lengthy reports, greetings, and speeches.

The Jubilee Committee is hard at work formulating plans for a monumental Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration in 1963.

These are a few of the more important steps in a slow but determined effort to modernize

and develop the K of L in terms of present day surroundings and circumstances.

However, the Supreme Council should not and cannot be expected to carry the banner alone. YOU, the average member, must make your influence felt in your own council and bring up new ideas and suggestions. Even though your brainstormings may have been squelched in the past, bring them up again and again, for eventually they will receive recognition. Write to the Supreme Council officers. I for one will sincerely appreciate any ideas or comments and promise to act on them.

The time has come for the K of L to reflect the spirit and feelings of ALL its members, instead of allowing just a few leaders to determine K of L policy. This is YOUR organization; let's work and work diligently to make it something of which we can be justifiably proud and one which bespeaks the spirit of thousands of American Lithuanians who belong to it.

HOW DO YOU LIKE THE NEW LOOK?

The VYTIS with its "new look" owes its appearance not only to the present editorial staff, but also to the enthusiasm and cooperation offered by K of L-ers from New-England to California! We hope you will continue to express your interest by sending articles and photos, as well as suggestions and criticisms.

Sharpen your wit and your pencil now, to meet the next deadline, July 5, for the August-September issue.

Vytiškai,
The VYTIS Editorial Staff
Marilyn Kareiva
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Eleven years ago the Knights of Lithuania invited Juozas Leimonas, a prominent Lithuanian Catholic layman, to take over the editor's chair of their national magazine, VYTIS. Although he had recently arrived in the United States from the Displaced Persons' camp of the British Zone of Germany, he was not a stranger to the activities of the Knights of Lithuania. He was probably one of the few from Lithuania who had the privilege of visiting all of the K of L councils in the United States during his stay here in 1936, when the Knights were in the golden age of their activities.

Juozas Leimonas had and has an unusual record of activities with the Catholic youth in Lithuania and here in the United States. From 1928 to 1940 Juozas Leimonas was the leader of the "Pavasarininkai," an organization of 100,000 young Catholic people of Lithuania's farms and villages, which was very similar to our own organization, the Knights of Lithuania. At one time he was also the head of the "Ateitininkai," which comprised most of the young Catholic people attending the various schools and universities of Lithuania.

Juozas Leimonas, A Knight of St. Gregory

The life story of Juozas Leimonas begins with the turn of the century in 1900 and is studied with many highlights of exertion for Lithuania and its youth.

Juozas Leimonas was born August 23, 1900. When the First World War began in 1914, he and his family were forced to drift to Russia. At the end of that war he came back to Lithuania and enrolled in the volunteer army to fight for the freedom of his native land. At the same time he was active in the Catholic youth organizations then beginning their activities. He was elected to the supreme councils of both the "Ateitininkai" and "Pavasarininkai."

PROFILES

Juozas Leimonas



DR. JUOZAS LEIMONAS

In 1923 he went to Switzerland for further studies, returning to Lithuania in 1927 with a doctorate in economics and political sciences.

For a short span he was editor or the "Rytas," an influential Lithuanian daily. Then, from 1928 to 1932, he was appointed to a prominent position in the Finance Ministry of the Republic of Lithuania. He left the government job to become director of the Catholic Action Offices. To those duties were added high positions in the "Ateitininkai" and "Pavasarininkai" organizations.

When Soviet Russia over-ran Lithuania in 1940, he was sent to prison, but was liberated a while later when the Nazis pushed through Lithuania and took over from the Soviets. Before the Soviets returned the second time, Juozas Leimonas fled from Lithuania into the British Zone

of Germany, whence in 1947 he went on to England and from there to the United States in 1949. In that same year Pope Pius XII knighted him a Grand Knight of St. Gregory for his many works in the field of Catholic Action.

Editor of VYTIS

After the 1950 convention, the Supreme Council of the Knights of Lithuania invited Juozas Leimonas to take over as editor of the VYTIS. He began his work with the first issue of 1951. With the able help of Phyllis Grendal to handle the English section of the VYTIS, the team of Leimonas and Grendal labored for almost eleven full years.

Even though Mr. Leimonas was not stranger to the activities of the Knights of Lithuania because of his previous contacts and visits in 1936, Miss Phyllis Grendal, as assistant editor of the VYTIS, carried a yeoman's load during those many years.

It is not always that an organization as the Knights of Lithuania can find a foreign-born Lithuanian leader who can immediately understand all the problems of the Lithuanian youth of the United States. During his tenure of office, Mr. Leimonas has always been their understanding friend. The Knights of Lithuania feel honored that a man of Mr. Leimonas' ability and high rank in youth work graced the editor's chair for such a long period of time.

May the Lord bless him and keep him in health for many years to come.

Phyllis Grendal

by L. Kassel

That women's talents are not to be taken lightly in this so-called "man's world" becomes quite obvious upon a look at the record of achievements, particularly in Lithuanian circles, proudly held by Phyllis (Falisa) M. Grendal. Since 1946, through her work as VYTIS Assistant Editor (and its first woman editor of the English Section), this talented and energetic young lady has played a major role in keeping members of the Knights of Lithuania aware of their own cultural heritage, and in keeping outsiders aware of the many activities of the K of L.

A native of Boston, Mass., Phyllis is the daughter of the late Felix Grendal (past president of D.L.K. Kęstutis Ben. Society) and Lucy Baravykiute Grendal. After getting her first taste of the "3'R's" (and liking it) in the Boston Public Schools, Phyllis went on to the further pursuit of study at Mt. St. Joseph Academy and Burdett College. She must have liked to study, for she even spent summers (seven in all) studying at the Lithuanian Summer School. This may account for her ability to read, write, and speak Lithuanian so fluently! Not content with being merely bilingual (or perhaps wanting to honestly answer "oui, oui" or "si, si" to questions "Parlez vous Francais" or "Habla Espanol?") she also pursued the study of French and Spanish for seven years.

Active in K of L since 1934

Miss Grendal joined K of L Council 17 (South Boston) in 1934, and has been an active participant in local and national K of L activities ever since. Her first experience as a National Convention



Phyllis GRENDALE

delegate in New York City in 1934 apparently made a sufficiently good impression to make her warm smile and winsome personality become "standard equipment" at K of L Conventions. Since then, her name has appeared regularly on the roster of delegates at conventions in New York, Connecticut, Illinois, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Michigan, Massachusetts, Ohio, and California, and was also seen for many years on the list of National Officers. In addition to her positions with C17 and the New England District, Phyllis served as a member of the Supreme Council Ritual Committee from 1939 to 1941, and as Supreme Council Financial Secretary from 1941 to 1946. She received the 4th Ritual Degree in 1945, and in 1950, during the National Convention in Chicago, was elevated to Honorary Membership in the Knights of Lithuania.

In between K of L Conventions and issues of VYTIS, Miss Grendal finds time to also participate in a variety of other Lithuanian, professional and political organizations, including BALF, the Lithuanian Roman Catholic Alliance of America, and several

branches of the Republican Party. In 1960, she was a Regular Party Candidate for Republican State Representative, Ward 6, and was also elected to serve as delegate to the Republican National Convention in Chicago.

Other periodic demands on her time and talents have been capably answered when she served as chairman or secretary to various concerts, banquets and conventions given by DARBININKAS, BALF, the Lithuanian American Council, the K of L, Mt. St. Joseph Alumnae, and others. In 1944, Miss Grendal was principal speaker at the International Student Center, speaking on the theme "Lithuanian Folk Lore and Background," a subject with which her many affiliations have made her well acquainted.

Secretary to Lithuanian Consul

Not the least of her many interesting activities is the daily task of earning a living. In the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Miss Grendal has been commissioned as a Notary Public and a duly licensed Real Estate Broker in Boston. But the bulk of her working hours, since the 1930's, has been devoted to her position as secretary to the Lithuanian Consul and Legal Secretary to two active lawyers - A.O. and S.P. Shallna. Even on the job Miss Grendal has been involved in numerous "extra curricular" and organizational duties. One of the lawyers she works for is a regular duly appointed Auditor in the Supreme Court of Suffolk County, a former President of the Cornell Club of New England, and former Secretary of the Middlesex Bar Assn., and the other had been a member of the Board of Review, Division of Employment Security for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a former President of the Mass. Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, and served as a Representative of a non-government organization

for the United Nations as Consultant.

"Off-Duty" Interests

To "get away from it all" after working hours and club meetings, Phyllis enjoys "going thespian." Her experience in the drama group of Mt. St. Joseph Academy was put to good use later when she played a leading role in "Sniego Karalaitė," a Lithuanian play sponsored by St. Peter's Church in South Boston. Her study of violin and her love of singing provide added opportunity for public appearances, while her interest in bowl-

ing, swimming, and soft-ball guarantee plenty of exercise for those muscles not used in taking curtain calls.

For her many years of devoted and productive service to the Knights of Lithuania and particularly to VYTIS, we commend Phyllis Grendal. Though her term of office on the VYTIS Staff was terminated with the decision to move the magazine and its staff to Chicago for offset printing, we're confident that her unselfish interest in and gracious assistance to the many projects of the K of L will not terminate, but rather continue to exist and grow!

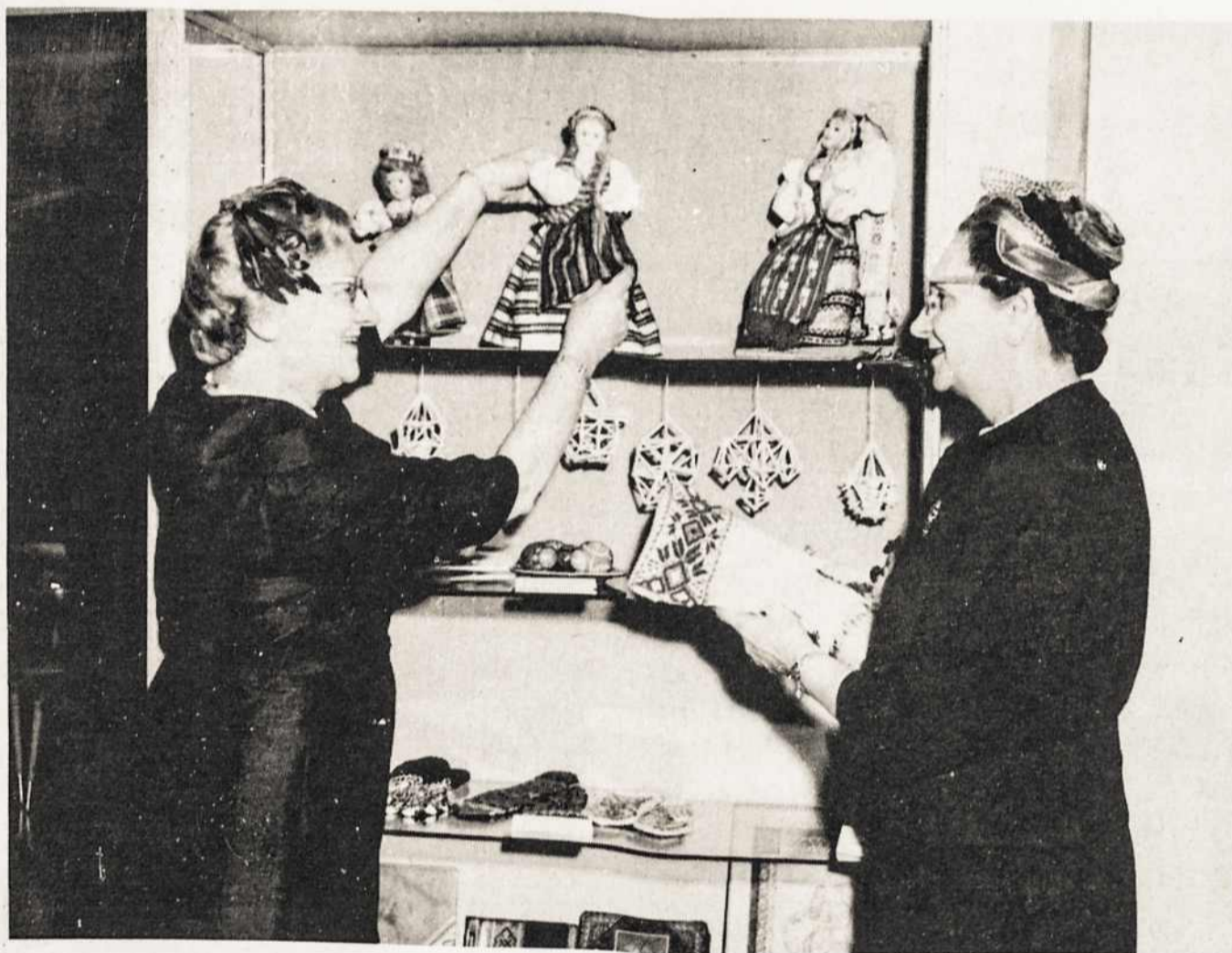
a complete design were represented in a variety of articles. This was also true of the variety of handwoven materials or embroidered materials with their beautiful geometric designs. Many of these same designs showed up in the decorated eggs that were painted by the Lithuanians, not only at Easter time but on other feast days, such as St. George's Day or at Whitsuntide.

Many viewers marveled at the miniature wedding gloves, actually woven with sewing needles, and at the amber beads, either raw or cut in facets with a knife. These fossil drops of resin have been sought after for centuries and many still believe that amber is endowed with magical properties.

The Lithuanian dolls, dressed in native fashion, and the Christmas ornaments made of straw attracted the attention of both children and adults. During the past few years, and particularly since the showing of the "Around the World Christmas Trees" at the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago, these straw ornaments have become familiar and popular with many people of various nationalities.

To complete the exhibit, Antanas Rukštelė of Chicago arranged a showing of paintings by local artists of Lithuanian descent. Mr. Rukštelė, who is an artist himself, showed a canvas titled, "Old Dillingen" painted when he was living in that small Bavarian town. Other artists and their works were: Mečislovas Markulis with "Flowers" and "Landscape"; Juozas Mieliulis with "Jam Surexit" and "Adoration"; Vladas Vaičaitis with two canvases entitled "Landscape"; Adolfas Tamoliunas with "Composition" and "Butterflies", and Vladas Vijeikis with "Fairytale!"

The exhibit was an exceedingly popular one, and brought memories and a feeling of pride to those of Lithuanian ancestry, and interest and admiration from those of other nationalities.



Mrs. Petras Dauzvardis, wife of Consul of Lithuania, arranging Lithuanian exhibit at Chicago Lawn Library. Observing - Mrs. Stephen Biezis.

LIBRARY EXHIBIT

Chicagoans of Lithuanian descent living in the city's southwest side area, recently helped to make the exhibit at the Chicago Lawn Branch of the Chicago Public Library, one of the most interesting of the year.

Through the interest and courtesy of Dr. Petras Dauzvardis, Lithuanian Consul in Chicago, and his wife, Josephine, a display of

Lithuanian arts and crafts was arranged for month-long viewing by people of the immediate and neighboring communities. The display included many examples of true Lithuanian folk art.

The remarkable woodcarvings decorated with zigzags, crosses, triangles, and a dozen other motifs that seem to blend and meld into

LIETUVOS VYČIŲ ISTORIJA

Ignas Sakalas

116-ji Kuopa

116-ji kuopa įsteigta 1928 metais sausio 18 d., Worcester, Mass. Aušros Vartų parapijoj. Kuopos iniciatorium ir steigėju buvo kun. S. Vembrė, parapijos vikaras, kuris nuo pat atvykimo čia pastoracijos darbui galvojo apie jaunimo organizaciją ir jai ruošė dirvą.

Pagalios tų metų sausio 18 d. sušauktas gausus jaunimo susirinkimas, į kurį apie organizuoto jaunimo veikimą prabilo parapijos klebonas kun. J. Caplikas, vikaras kun. S. Vembrė, adv. Mileris ir Baublys ir dr. Landžius. Išaiškinus, kad steigiamoj vyčių kuopoj būsią įvesti skyriai įvairiems jaunimo talentams pasireikšti, k.a. dramos, dainos, muzikos, sporto, literatūros ir k., susirinkime susirašė nariais 65 jaunuoliai ir jaunuolės.

Steigiamasis kuopos susirinkimas įvyko sekančią savaitę. Valdybon išrinkta sekantieji: pirmininku adv. P. J. Baublys, vicepirmininku M. Manasaitė, antrąja vicepirm. P. Budaitė, finansų sekr. A. Kazelevičiūtė, išdo globėja A. Budaitė, dvasios vadu pakviestas S. Vembrė, kuopos gydytoju pasirinktas dr. Landžius, teisiniu patarėju adv. P. J. Baublys. Išrinkti taip pat literatūros, dramos, sporto komitetai.

Linkę į sportą nariai tuojau nutarė suruošti vakarą, kad sukeltų lėšų įvairiems sporto įrankiams įsigyti. Vakarą įvyko balandžio 19 d. Vernon Hill Community House ir davė gražaus pelno.

Pirmas bendras kuopos vakaras įvyko tų pačių metų balandžio 24 d., parapijos salėj. Išpildyta įvairi meninė programa. Atsilankęs organizacijos centro pirm. K. Viesula pasakė įdo-

mią kalbą apie organizacijos veikimą katalikiškoje dirvoje, taip pat papasakojo savo išpūdžius iš ekskursijos Lietuvon praeitais metais.

Neužilgo buvo įsteigti sporto skyriai: vaikinių basebolo, o merginų - tinklinio. Susidarė grupė ir vandens sporto, kurio instruktore pakviesta pagarsėjusi Amerikoj plaukikė Albina Osipavičiūtė.

Taip pat nutarta įsteigti knygyną ir skaityklą. Laikraščiams užprenumeruoti sukelta lėšų, o knygų paaukoti žadėjo patys nariai. Kngynininke išrinkta Worcesterio Viešojo knygyno viena pareigūnių Valentukevičiūtė.

Per metus kuopa buvo sutraukusi daugiau kaip du šimtus narių ir išvysčiusi veikimą, kuriuo didžiavosi visa tos kolonijos lietuvių visuomenė.

Keitėsi laikai, keitėsi ir nariai. Kuopos steigėjų ir pirmųjų narių vietas užėmė jų vaikai, o kaikuorių ir vaikų vaikai. Ir taip kuopa ir šiuo metu gyva ir veikia.

122-ji Kuopa

1930 metais vyčių visuotinis suvažiavimas-seimas buvo šaukiamas Kenosha, Wisc., todėl prieš tai pasistengta įsteigti vyčių kuopos Racine, Milwaukee ir Port Washington. Toms kuopoms įsteigti iniciatyva ėjo: Racine ir Milwaukee kuopoms iš Kenosha 38 kuopos, o Port Washington - iš Sheboygan - 51 kuopos. Vėliau buvo sudarytas ir Wisconsin valstybės apskritis, kuri sudarė visos čia išvardintos kuopos.

Port Washington vyčių 122 kuopos įsteigimo data nežinoma. Padarius užuomazgą, pravestas naujų narių vėjus, kuri skatino paskirtos kun. Garmaus, Sheboygan lietuvių parapijos klebono, kurio dvasine pagalba naudojosi ir nedidelė Pt. Washington lietuvių parapija.

Rugsėjo mėn. 28 d. kuopos susirinkime pasidžiaugta vėjus pasisekimu. Daugiausia naujų narių prirašė E. Žukaičiūtė ir jai teko pirmoji kun. Garmaus dovana. Antroji dovana - auksinis organizacijos ženklelis teko A. Rupšutei. Naujiems nariams priimti ir pagerbti nutarta suruošti vakarą spalio 25 d., o prieš tai, spalio 5 d. Sheboygan vyčių dramos grupė suruoštame vakare atvaidino komediją.

Nutarta taip pat įsteigti sporto sekciją ir pirmiausia sudaryti krepšinio rinktinę.

1931 m. valdybon išrinkta A. Rupšūtė - pirm. E. Žukaičiūtė - vicepirm., J. Kvedariūtė - sekr., J. Čaplinskas - išd.

Tais metais kuopa buvo suruošus sėkmingą pikniką, kuriame jaunimo dalyvavo ir iš apylinkės lietuvių kolonijų.

123-ji Kuopa

1930 metų gruodžio 29 d. Racine, Wisc., buvo suruoštas vakaras, kurio programą išpildė pakviesti iš Kenosha, Wis., vyčių dramos grupės nariai. Atvaidinta "Moterims neišsimeluosi". Vaidinimo pertraukose kalbėjo kun. A. Balinskas, vietos ir Milwaukee lietuvių parapijų klebonas ir Milwaukee vyčių dvasios vadovas; organizacijos Centro Valdybos nariai: išdo glob. B. Nausėda, sporto direkt. M. Povilionis, sekr. Al-Manstavičius ir "Vyčio" red. Pr. Zankus. Visų kalbos buvo nukreiptos į vieną tašką - vyčių kuopos įsteigimą Racine.

Tikslas buvo pasiektas. Po vaidinimo iš atsilankusių vakaran 35 vaikinai ir merginos išsirašė nariais ir čia pat sudaryta kuopos valdyba: dvasios vadovas kun. A. Balinskas, pirm. M. Dumaitė, vicepirm. J. Kompiūtė, prot. sekr. K. Diedelė, finansų sekret. V. Narkitūtė, išd. A. Gudžiūnaitė, išdo glob. J. Gudžiūnas ir maršalka K. Jurkevičius.

Per svečiams aktoriams ir kalbėtojams vakarienę pasidžiaugta naujos kuopos užuomazga ir ta proga dar kalbėjo P. Stankus, Wiscon-

sin valst. apskrities pirmininkas, V. Judeikis, Kenosha vyčių kp. pirmininkas ir kiti.

Vakaro suruošimu ir vyčių kuopos užuomazgos reikalu daug pasidarbavo seserys Elena ir Julė Pumpytės. Pastaroji tuo metu buvo parapijos vargonininkė.

Sekančiais metais kuopos vadovybė perėjo į kitas rankas: pirm. J. Jurgaitis, vicepirm. Kaz. Jurkevičius, sekr. M. Dirkinaitė, fin. sekr. V. Narkytė, išd. A. Gudžiūnaitė, sporto reikalais rūpintis Tomas Lizdas ir M. Dirkinaitė.

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Malonu, kad p. A. Yuknio straipsnis gyvai diskutuojamas. Tikimės, kad ir daugiau į tai atsilies.

Redakcija

Šių metų "Vyties" sausio Nr. Anthony Yuknis, anglų kalboje parašytame straipsnyje - "The English Language Barrier", nagrinėjamos tarp angliškai ir lietuviškai kalbančių kartų iškilusios problemos. Lietuviškosios kartos tam tikri asmenys kaltina jau čia Amerikoje gimusios kartos žmones, kad jie nebekalba savo susirinkimuose lietuviškai; būk tai reikėtų atskilimą, ar kas tai panašaus, nuo lietuviško kamieno. Kad tokie priekaištai dažnai pasitaiko, yra faktas. Todėl aš beveik ištiesai sutinku su Anthony straipsniu. Tie kurie kaltina senąją kartą nemokėjimu lietuvių kalbos rašo niekus. Ištikrųjų jie nėra pilnai išanalizavę esamos padėties ir nežino jos būklės. Į tokių asmenų tuščias ir nepagrįstas nuomones neturėtume kreipti jokio dėmesio.

Bet, paprastai yra padaroma didelė žala kada tokie trynimosi dalykai yra iškeliami anglų kal-

boje. Kodėl? Kadangi gyvename tokiam krašte, kur yra vartojama anglų kalba. Anglų kalbą vartoja arba supranta pusė pasaulio. Kad mūsų a s m e n i š k o s problemos, nagrinėjamos anglų kalba, gali patekti ten kur nereikalinga, yra gana aišku. Tai būtų geriausia tokius dalykus atspausdinti lietuvių kalboje, nes tai yra mūsų pačių reikalai ir svetimtaučiai tai neprivalo žinoti. Tokios žinios pasklidusios tarp svetimtaučių mūsų reikalus nudažo negražiomis spalvomis. "Juk mūs tik saujelė", kaip toje dainoje kad yra išreikšta, ir dar ta pati susiskaldžiusi. Taigi panašiai, kai Prancūzija prieš De Gaul ateinant į valdžią. Lietuvių kalbą tik keli svetimtaučiai temoka, o jie dažnai yra gerai išsimokslinę žmonės ir gerai supranta atitinkamus dalykus, dėlto nėra tokio didelio pavojaus mūsų reikalams. Lietuvių kalboje mes galime kiek karščiau ir padiskutuoti tokius ar panašius dalykus. Ką rusai ar komunistai lietuviai galvoja apie tokius dalykus ir panaudoja savo propagandai, vakarai visvien per daug dėmesio į jų bliuznijimą neatkreips. Nors, žinoma, geriausia yra purvais nesitaškyti ir tarp savęs!

Didžiai gerbiama redakcija, man atrodo, turėtų atydžiai peržiūrėti visus straipsnius, o ypač anglų kalboje, kad tokie vieni kitų kaltinimai nepasirodytų. Atsiklausus autoriaus, kas reikalinga pakeisti, ar net gal ir didžiąją dalį išmesti. Redakcija pasilieka teisę, ką ji nori spausdinti. Kiekvienas lietuvis, šiandieną, kur jis bebūtų, čia gimęs ar Lietuvoje, kalbėtų šia kalba ar kita, yra tos tautos (Lietuvos) sūnus, simbolinis diplomatas, jos reprezentatorius ir jos vaduotojas. Todėl visiems lietuviams reikia elgtis atitinkamai. Jos reikalų kėlime nediplomatiškai elgdami mes nesame jos verti. Mes esame jos neprieteliai!

Kas gi tada yra lietuvis? Būti lietuviu dar nereikia kalbėti lietuviškai, lygiai taip pat kaip būti

tikru kataliku dar nereikia tik būti pakrikštytam katalikų bažnyčioje. Būti politiku dar nereikia būti vien gerai informuotam asmeniui politiniuose baruose. Tikras prekybininkas ar verslininkas dar nėra tas asmuo, kuris vien tik moka vartoti kalkuliatorių. Tas, kuris moka sustatyti vaikų žaisliukų modelius ir juos gražiomis spalvomis nudažyti taip pat dar nėra inžinierius. Mokėti gerai skaityti mokslinės knygas dar nesuteikia galimybės save vadinti mokslininku. Būti boksininku dar nereikia turėti jėgos perblokti penkių metų vaikų. Būti kėglininku dar nereikia mokėti mesti rutulį. Taigi tikras lietuvis yra ne tas kuris tik lietuvių kalbą moka, bet kuris sielojasi ir rūpinasi lietuvių reikalais bei kaip pagerinti esamą padėtį. Tikras lietuvis yra tas, kuris yra lietuvis širdyje ir dvasioje. Čia ne asmens kraujas svarbu, bet pilnutinė lietuviška asmenybė. Paviršutinis lietuvis nėra kiek nesiskiria nuo 50 metų senumo Velykų margučio. Paviršius labai gražus, bet vidus tuščias. Potencialieji lietuviai atgyveno savo dienas. Šiandieną yra reikalingo savo siela ir širdimi dinamiški lietuviai!

DAINAVA LITHUANIAN YOUTH CAMP

As the strains of the K of L Camp bugle drifted over the hillsides and faded into the evening air, the flags of the United States of America and Lithuania were ceremoniously lowered on the final evening of the Knights of Lithuanian Junior Camp. Many a camper's throat was choked up and a few tears were hastily wiped away during this nostalgic moment of parting. Next summer, and camp again, seemed an eternity to these youngsters who participated as pioneer Knights of Lithuania Campers. The leaders and counselors also felt the pangs

of parting after an ideal week, a week which left us with many happy memories.

We have had all fall and winter to reminisce and now the time has come to plan this summer's program. This year's camp will be opened August 13 through 19th, for boys and girls of Lithuanian descent ages 7 to 14. The Lithuanian Youth Camp is located at 15100 Austin Road, Manchester, Michigan.

Because of the surprisingly enthusiastic reception to the traditional folk songs, games and dances of Lithuania, these will be featured once more, along with other Lithuanian cultural crafts such as the making of wreaths, straw ornaments, etc.

Dodge ball was the favorite sport at Dainava last summer and will be played again this year along with baseball, basketball and badminton. Swimming and hiking are daily musts as are the evening programs, which will be varied from day to day.

Realizing how fresh air, activity and contentment help stimulate hearty appetites, delicious and nourishing meals are prepared for the campers by the good Sisters.

Listen to the K of L bugle heralding the advent of Camp 1961, and write for information and reservation blanks to: Mrs. Thomas Medonis, Camp Secy. 15064 Baltimore, Detroit 27, Michigan.

LITHUANIAN LANGUAGE RECORDS

The Lithuanian Language Course records are now available from the Supreme Council Lithuanian Culture Committee. The set consists of two records that can be played at either 33 or 45 RPM, and two booklets giving the Lithuanian and English text of the recordings. Price per set is 3.00, plus 25 cents postage on mail orders. Orders should be sent to Frank Gudelis, 129 Rita Street, Dayton 4, Ohio.

OFFICIAL NEWS

JUBILEE YEAR NEWS

L. Kassel

1963 will be "Golden Jubilee Year" for the Knights of Lithuania . . . when the eyes of the Lithuanian and non-Lithuanian public will be on u s. What will they see? A vital, interesting, effective organization. . . or one that's merely existing? What they see will depend on what you, the member, make of the K of L during these next two years!

The Jubilee Committee, made up of members from various parts of the country, is hard at work planning for that year. A memorable convention, preceded by several days of impressive spiritual, cultural, sports, and other type activities and featuring many prominent speakers and artists, is planned - at a site to be chosen by the Committee this month. Also in the works is a display presenting a pictorial history of each council, set up for the enjoyment of those attending the convention functions and prepared by the individual councils. Hopefully, the Jubilee Year will also see a revised, improved K of L Constitution, the publication of an interesting K of L History, a membership double the size it is today, and a vast K of L publicity campaign in all parts of the country.

These are but a few of the proposals of a small committee but before these and other plans become realities, they must become the plans of all our members! Have you begun to prepare your council for this important year? You can start today. . . here's how!

1. Sign up those two or three new members who have been wavering about joining;
2. Look over the various com-

mittees in your council. . . are they actively fulfilling their purposes? If not, start doing something about it;

3. Collect and send in a donation to the History Fund from your council;
4. Start gathering interesting material for your council's "pictorial history";
5. Collect further ideas on appropriately commemorating the Jubilee Year - and pass them on to the committee!

Some people of the Jubilee Committee looking for your suggestions are:

Co-Chairmen: Joseph Sakevich,
111 Crescent Dr.,
Pt. Pleasant, N.J.

Larry Janonis,
2124 Ellis Ave,
Bronx, N.Y.

Secretary: Loretta Macekonis,
1520 N. Laramie,
Chicago 51, Ill.

Publicity Chairman:
Loretta Kassel,
4049 S. Rockwell,
Chicago 32, Ill.

History Committee:
Joseph Boley,
163 E. 81st St.,
New York, N.Y.

Ignas Sakalas,
7356 S. Campbell,
Chicago 32, Ill.

As more specific duties are assigned and plans made, you'll be notified, via VYTIS. Please keep in touch. . . and start thinking and working for a jubilee Year, and on organization we can really be proud of!

LITHUANIANS IN THE NEWS

Notice to All Readers

Our people are making names for themselves in all spheres of American life and we are sure that you and others would like to know about it. Write to us about the Lithuanians that are making the headlines in your part of the country. We will put them all together and we will have a lively column of "Lithuanians In The News!"

Send all news items to the editors of the VYTIS.

JACK STUKAS, commemorated the 20th anniversary of his radio program, "Memories of Lithuania!" with a gala two day celebration. The anniversary was commemorated with a banquet in the Robert Treat Hotel, Newark, N.J., April 29th and with a concert on the following day in Webster Hall, New York City. The Alice Stephens Singers came from Chicago to augment his own Ruta singing and dancing group. Both days saw packed houses. It is good to see how well the Newark-New York listeners like Jack Stukas, the chairman of our Lithuanian Cultural Committee.

PROF. JUSTIN PIKUNAS, an associate professor of psychology at Detroit University, has had his third book released on psychological problems by the McGraw-Hill publishing company. It is entitled, "Psychology of Human Development!"

FRED JANKAUSKAS, basketball player for Runnymede high school, Toronto, Canada, is rated the top individual high school player in the province.

MYKOLAS SAULIUS is soloist for the Denver Symphony Orchestra of Chamber Music and for the Fine Arts Center Theater of Colorado Springs, Col. Mr. Saulius plays the first violincelo.

BRUNO VESOTA, formerly of Bridgeport in Chicago, after a career of bit playing in Hollywood, is now a T V producer.

VERY REV. MSGR. D. MOZERIS, pastor of Immaculate Conception parish church of Chicago, was honored as the "Man of the Year" by the Archer-Brighton Community Conservation Council for his leadership in spearheading local conservation projects.

ROBERT SKERIS of Immaculate Conception parish, Sheboygan, Wisc., was ordained to the Holy Priesthood May 27th, 1961, in St. John Cathedral, Milwaukee, Wisc., by Archbishop William Cousins, D.D. Fr. Skeris said his First Solemn Mass, June 4th, 1961 in his home parish church of Sheboygan, Wisc.

ERNEST JOHN HARRISON, British vice-consul to Kaunas and Vilnius, Lithuania for a number of years and author of a few books on Lithuania, died May 8th, in London, England at the age of 88.

FR. ANTHONY KARLOVE-

CIUS, M.M., often illustrates the "Maryknoll" magazine with his photos. Father Anthony works with the Maryknoll missionaries in Kyoto, Japan.

FRANCIS L. AUKSORIUS of Cicero, Ill., was ordained to the Holy Priesthood May 27th, 1961, in St. Raymond Cathedral, Joliet, Ill., by the Most Reverend M. McNamara, D.D., Bishop of Joliet. Fr. Francis said his First Solemn High Mass June 4, 1961, in St. John parish church, Northlake, Ill.

VYTAS VALAITIS is a staff photographer for the Newsweek magazine and lately has returned from Israel where he was on a special assignment for the national weekly.

STANLEY PIEZA, religion editor for the Chicago AMERICAN, has been given the civic award for 1961 by the Immigrants' Service League of Chicago for outstanding work on behalf of the newly arrived Americans during the past twenty years. Stanley is a K of L'er from the 1930's.



K OF L PRESENTS AMBER NECKLACE TO FILM STAR, RUTA LEE - KILMONYTE.

l. to r. -Virginia Cerks, Loretta Macekonis, Estelle Rogers, Konstant Savickas, Ruta Lee, Vyt Lubert, Irene Rakaitis and Loretta Kassel.

K. of L. Juniors

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The 3rd N.Y. - N.J. District Junior Knights of Lithuania Rally held April 30, 1961 at Bayonne, N.J. Councils 3 of Philadelphia, 29 of Newark, 52 of Elizabeth, 67 of Bayonne and delegates of Councils 110 of Maspeth, N.Y. and 90 of Kearny, N.J. participating.

NEW YORK - NEW JERSEY DISTRICT 3RD JUNIOR KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA RALLY

The 3rd Junior K of L Rally was held Sunday, April 30th at St. Michael's Parish Hall in Bayonne, N.J. Between the hours of 1 and 2 P.M., Junior Knights arrived at the parish hall by bus, cars and on foot. The Juniors from Philadelphia and Elizabeth arrived by chartered buses, the ones from Newark in cars and, of course, the Juniors in Bayonne were the hardy souls who only had to walk to the hall. Upon registering, we received our badges and programs.

The session was opened by National Vice President, Helen Shields, at 2:15 P.M. The Rev. W. Karalevicius led us in prayer and we sang the National Anthem and the Lithuanian Hymn. John Miskewitz, Jr. C-67 President, greeted all the participants on behalf of the members of Council 67. Joseph Maculaitis, Jr., Vice-President of C-67, was Master of Ceremonies. He introduced Miss Shields who gave an address. She spoke on the importance of being good active members in the

Junior Knights of Lithuania Organization. She urged us to always have in mind the ideals of the Knights of Lithuania and to do our best in trying to contribute all we can that would bring credit to our organization, our parish, our community and our parents. We were very happy to hear that there have been 5 new councils of Junior Knights organized in the past year. After Miss Shields finished speaking, she showed a movie which was taken last August at the first K of L Camp that was held at Camp Dainava, Manchester, Michigan. We found them very interesting and at times quite amusing.

We were taken on a brief trip to some of the more interesting places in Lithuania by way of slides and narration, which were given by Rev. W. Karalevicius of Elizabeth. We enjoyed seeing pictures of Vilnius, Kaunas, Lithuania's seashore resort town of Palanga and other cities and towns. Father told us the pictures were taken when Lithuania was yet a free country. We were impressed by the modern buildings that we saw.

The Rev. John Starkus, pastor

of St. Michael's Church, welcomed us to his parish and wished us a happy visit. We were also greeted by the Rev. Francis Bulova of Maspeth, New York, who mentioned that seeing our enthusiasm, he was very impressed with the Junior Knights of Lithuania and said he was very impressed with the Junior Knights of Lithuania and said he hoped to have the Junior Knights from Maspeth present at the next Rally.

Awards were presented to the winners of the Vytis Drawing Contest and Dressing a Doll in Lithuanian Costume Contest. Pictures of the winners and the entire group were taken.

The Variety Program followed. Jr. Council 67 presented a short play on the life of St. Casimir. Council 52 presented a one-act play written by one of their members. It was entitled, "What Being a Good Jr. K of L'er Means to Me." Three of their members entertained us by playing the piano, xylophone and accordion. We were happy to see our new Jr. Council Newark 29, represented in the Variety Program by Peter Guoba and Walter Brazaitis who entertained us on their accordions with

"Noriu Miego," "Allegheny Moon," "Mudu Du Broliukai" and "Barbara Polka." Council 3 presented a comedy entitled, "Mamytės Darbas - Tai Lengvas" - "Mother's Work is Very Easy." The play was mostly in Lithuanian, and we were surprised to hear that they learned it in less than a month.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed. Afterward we returned to the church hall where we enjoyed to the fullest, a full-course turkey dinner. During the dinner, we received an invitation to hold next year's rally in Elizabeth, N.J. We also were congratulated by Msgr. J. Koncius, President of Lithuanian Relief Fund, for our interest and participation in the K of L.

JUNIOR K of L PERSONALITIES

Presenting:

Ann Gwaldis, Junior High School K of L'er, Council 52, Elizabeth, N.J. Ann is the president of the Junior High School K of L in Sts. Peter and Paul's Parish. She works very diligently with our moderator, Rev. V. Karalevicius, to keep order and prestige in the organization. She is a junior at the Benedictine Academy, and being an "outstanding" basketball player, is a member of the Varsity. Among her many interests is photography, and she is a member of the Photography Club at Benedictine. As



Ann GWALDIS,
Jr. Council 52, Elizabeth, N.J.

After dinner we enjoyed dancing and meeting new friends from other councils.

The time flew quickly and soon it was time to part. This was the saddest time of the day. Reluctantly, we bid fond farewells and left for our respective home towns. A wonderful day was had by all, and we shall be looking forward to seeing everyone in Elizabeth next year.

We take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to Rev. Peter Zemeikis, Spiritual Advisor, Officers and members of Junior Council 67, Bayonne, N.J. for their wonderful hospitality. As they say in Lithuanian - ACIU LABAI!

H. E. B.

Treasurer of the High School Sodality of the Parish, Ann carries out many responsible assignments in this group. She is an active C.Y.O. representative.

One of Ann's most outstanding traits is that very frequently she can be found attending Mass and receiving Holy Communion, almost daily, before going to school.

Not only does Ann play on the varsity team at school, but this year coached our parish grammar school team and lead them to victory. They were undefeated this season and are now the "Union County Basketball Champs!"

Throughout the years, beside her extra curricular activities, Ann has maintained an 85% average in her scholastic records at the Academy. Ann, as a senior, will be a very good example to all underclassmen.

A favorite pastime of her's is dancing. She enjoys records and hi-fi's. This May she became the proud owner of a '59 Bonneville.

An asset to her family, parish and school, Ann will be the girl most likely to succeed in whatever she is planning as her vocation in life.

Barbara Drescher C - 52



Personality of the month from Junior Council 26, Worcester, Mass., is Miss Karen Sinkus. Fun to be with and well liked by all is our sweet and petite treasurer. Just a little over five feet tall, but, oh, what those five feet can do! Small, but powerful, is our Karen. She is always there with her hand out for our dues!

Karen is a freshman at St. Stephen's Central Catholic High School. She is on the staff of the school newspaper, a member of the Art Club, Catholic Youth Council and Treasurer of her class. Truly a terrific, all-around girl!

Liz Ridick C-26

ATTENTION ALL COUNCILS!!

Have you someone in your council that you would like to feature in the Junior Page because of their outstanding qualities? If so, have someone write an article and enclose a picture of your choice to be featured in this section.

WONDERING? ? ? ? ?

What were the results of the contest we had to name our Junior Page? Well, sorry to say, only two councils sent in entries. It would not be fair to select a name for our Section from so few entries. So we are holding these entries - and will schedule another contest after the summer. We hope all the councils that replied to the questionnaire we sent out in the early part of the year, will make it their business to send in some entries, in order that we might have an interesting and varied amount of entries to choose from.

We would like the newly organized Junior Councils to participate also. So, for the time being, we are keeping the same name. All councils will be notified of the new contest. Thanks to the two councils who participated - and please be patient. Your entry may be a winner yet.



KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA SUMMER CAMP

Time is growing short, but you still have time to register for the Junior K of L Summer Camp that is being sponsored by the Knights of Lithuania Supreme Council. It will be held the week of August 13 to 19th at Camp Dainava, Manchester, Michigan. Boys and girls between the ages of 7 to 14 are eligible to attend. For more information write to:

Mrs. Theresa Medionis
15064 Biltmore
Detroit 27, Michigan



WELCOME - - - WELCOME

During the month of April, two new Junior Councils were organized. We are most happy to extend greetings and best wishes to:

JUNIOR COUNCIL 102, Detroit, Michigan . . . Our sincere thanks to Rev. J. Walter Stanievich, Pastor of St. Anthony's Parish, Sister M. Christine and National President, Robert Boris, for their cooperation and support in organizing this Junior COUNCIL. We wish the Junior Knights of C-102

many, many happy years in the Knights of Lithuania Organization.

Our sincere welcome also is extended to:

JUNIOR COUNCIL 29, Newark, New Jersey. . . We wish to thank Mr. Charles Strolis, Mr. Jack Remeika and Mr. Louis Stukas for their interest and dedication on behalf of the new Junior Knights of C-29. We are sure the Junior Knights of C-29 will be a great joy and pride to their Senior Council.

JUNIOR COUNCILS ACTIVITIES

Council 100, Amsterdam, N.Y.

Audrey Lekutis

The Junior Knights of Amsterdam, N.Y. meet every Monday. We have had many months of fun-filled activities. Among them was taking part in the Lithuanian Independence Day Program for which members also made Lithuanian Christmas decorations and crosses from straw. These and many other activities are enjoyed by all our members. We hope to have many more happy meetings.

Council 26, Worcester, Mass.

Mary Kulakusky

The officers of the Junior Knights of Lithuania held their meeting on April 3rd. New plans were discussed and acted upon. It was announced that a membership drive would be held, and so far, it looks like it will be very successful. We appreciate the cooperation we are receiving from our priests, sisters and our members. At present, we have 31 active members. We hope that we will have doubled our membership by the next meeting.

Our monthly meeting was held on Thursday, April 13th. We had a good group participating from St. Casimir's 8th grade. A dance and scavenger hunt is scheduled for May 12. We are planning to invite other Jr. councils to this affair.

Junior Council 7, Waterbury, Conn.
Bernard Yanavich II

An organizational meeting of the Junior Knights of Lithuania, Council 7, took place on Saturday March 25, 1961 in the St. Joseph's Holy Name Rooms on Congress Avenue, Waterbury, Conn.

Rev. Albert Karalis, organizer and Spiritual Director of the Juniors, spoke on the importance of strictly abiding by the K of L Juniors Guide-Book and By-Laws. He also pointed out that the Juniors, though planning a social and cultural program, should at all times remember their first duty is to God and religion would be a major part of the organization.

Rev. A. Edward Gradeck, pastor of St. Joseph's Church and organizer of the K of L Juniors, congratulated the Juniors on joining the finest organization amongst the Lithuanians. He also said that he expected them to keep the prestige of the K of L on a high level. Next, he presented the Junior Counselors, Nell P. Meskunas, niece of Michael A. Nor-kunas, who founded the National K of L back in 1913, and Mr. Robert Ouelette.

"Nell" has presented a three-point program to the members. This will include a cultural program, a complete social schedule and a full-scale study in Lithuanian Affairs. Mr. Ouellette will direct all sports activities.

The officers for the year 1961 are:

Laima Gaigalas	President
Bernard Yanavich II	Vice-President
Zita Juraska	Recording Secretary
Betty Yarosis	Financial Secretary
Frank Rodgers	Treasurer
Peter Tunila and Edward Stasonis	Trustees

The President spoke the following day, March 26, on the "LITHUANIAN MEMORIES" Program on WWGO.

Junior Council 3, Philadelphia, Pa.
Helen Megrail

Reverend Fathers, Honored Guests and Junior Knights, being the president of Junior Council 3, of Philadelphia, I am the spokesman for this occasion. As a new member in this organization, I am very grateful that I'm a participant in the 3rd Junior K of L Rally. I would like to give you a summary of our activities for this past year.

Religiously, Council 3 is visited by Father Wassel, our parish priest, who gives us words of Spiritual Guidance. During some of our monthly meetings, we discuss the lives of certain saints. On St. Casimir's Feast Day and Corpus Christi Sunday, we attended Mass and received Holy Communion in a body. Afterward, we attended a Communion Breakfast, which was enjoyed by all.

Culturally - the Juniors of Council 3 have participated in the making of Lithuanian Christmas decorations during the Christmas season, and have joined in the singing of well-known Christmas carols, as well as Lithuanian folk songs. Slides about Lithuania and movies on Our Lady of Siluva were shown after some of our monthly meetings.

The Junior Knights of Council 3 would like to thank our host council, Council 67, Bayonne, N.J. We also thank all who have made this affair possible, especially, Miss Helen Shields, the National Vice President, who has guided us in these various activities, and has made our council's existence possible. Thank you.

Junior Council 52, Elizabeth, N.J.
Ann Gwaldis

Our council is made up of 3 division - groups: high school, 8th grade and 7th grade, with a total membership of 47. Each division has its officers and separate treasury.

High School meetings take place every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 6:30 P.M. 8th grade - every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 3:15 and 7th grade - every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 3:15 P.M.

We receive 5 copies of the "Vytis" which is distributed to each group according to membership, and also a Junior Page for each member.

At every meeting, a spiritual talk is given by our Director concerning religious life in Lithuania.

We are proud of our parish grammar school. CYO basketball team which won The Union County championship this year. Most of the players are K of L'ers and their coach is our present High School K of L president, Miss Ann Gwaldis.

We are thankful to our Counselor, Mr. Sharkey and his assistant, Miss Ann Mitchell, who unfortunately could not attend this rally, for attending High School meetings and showing their interest in our Junior Council.

Junior Council 96, Dayton, Ohio

Carol Noreikas

The Junior K of L Council 96, held their meeting on Apr. 16. Election of officers took place and the following were elected:
Pres. . . . Donna Jean Scott
V.Pres. . . Judy Scott
Sec. . . . Aušra Raštikis
Treas. . . Christine Kavy
Correspondent. . .

Carol Sue Noreikas

Our annual May Crowning will be held May 14. A bowling party is being planned, date to be announced later.

Junior Council 67, Bayonne, N.J.

Joseph Maculaitis

Our Junior K of L year began in early September when our 26 members had their first meeting of the new year and elected officers for the coming year. On October

thirty-first a costumed Halloween Party was held and was very successful. Since a large amount of money was needed to make this present occasion a success, most of our activities were devoted to raising funds. In early fall, a cake sale was held. During the Christmas Season, over one hundred boxes of cards were sold, and an electric Christmas tree was raffled off. All three projects were very successful and the profits amounted to almost \$150.

Our main concern during the last few months has been making preparations for the present rally. The members of our council sincerely hope that through our efforts this rally will be successful.

Junior Council 102, Detroit, Mich.

Mary Ann Boris

A new Junior K of L was organized in St. Anthony's Parish with the aid of Rev. J. Walter Stanievich, Sister M. Christine and Mr. Robert Boris. God love them!

We began with the usual elections. Five candidates were chosen to run for presidency, each naming its party. "The Touchables" headed by Ramutė Misiūnas; "The Flying Saucers" by Marcella Dudenas; "Teensters" by Mary Ann Boris; "The Twilighters" by Vytautas Kutkus; and "The Knights" by Vytautas Polteraitis. Each candidate had to prepare a campaign speech. Elections took place the next day. Ramutė Misiūnas of "The Touchables" was elected. The president's choice of her cabinet members was excellent. Vytautas Kutkus was chosen Vice President, Georgia Sherman-Secretary, Marcella Dudenas - Treasurer, Vytautas Polteraitis - Sgt. at Arms.

Our first meeting took place on April 30, 1961. Spiritual and social activities were discussed. We are all very interested in our new organization.

VYČIAI VEIKIA



COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

Providence, R.I. - 103

"Sunshine"

The District Convention which was held here in Providence on April 29th and 30th was a success. Over two hundred members and guests danced to the music of Joe Russell and His Happy Artists on Saturday night. From the expressions of those present, we believe all had a wonderful time.

Sunday, delegates, alternates and guests attended Mass in St. Casimir's Church. Rev. A. Contons, Spiritual Director of the Supreme Council, celebrated Mass. A hot brunch was served afterwards in the parish hall. After a short breather, the convention sessions were opened. Joe Sipas, district president, conducted the sessions. During one of the sessions, Rev. Contons presented Rev. John Vaitekunas of Providence with an Honorary Member's medal for his support of and work in the K of L.

In the evening, a hot supper was served to all present. Thanks go to Bertha Stoskus who spent most of her time preparing the most delicious meal. While we were all relishing our meal, Ann Miller, assisted by Marge Ranucci, presented the bowling trophies. The Pinkus Family of Worcester won the most trophies. We didn't win anything. . . not even a booby prize!

Thus a wonderful convention weekend was concluded. We, of Council 103, thank all who attended our dance and the sessions. Did you have a good time? We hope so!

We were proud to have as weekend guests, four members of Council 41, Queens, New York. Providence must have some attraction to have gathered Tony Mazeika, Joan Mazeika, Carolyn Nagin, and Eugene Marcus all the way from New York. We hope you enjoyed yourselves, kids! All we can say is, "Boy, those Mazeikas dance up a storm!" Come again soon, New York.

Sleep. what is that? After the convention, some of our more energetic members were still raring to go. Bertha Paulauskas, Niola Jurgelevicius, Anna Walaska, Pat Balkus, Jimmy Russell, and the Dziekievich brothers went on to a Polish dance late Sunday night. Al and Howie of Athol, Council 10, also finished the convention weekend at the same dance. Who needs sleep. . . not our gang!

Within the next few months, our council should have its council paper in full swing. A few professors have volunteered to reactivate THE 103. Their aim is to win a Nobel Prize for Literature. Well. . . almost!

Council 103 welcomes to its fold a new member, Walter Kachanis. Walter is a senior at La Salle Academy where he has an avid interest in chemistry. We hope Walter enjoys himself in our council as much as we enjoy having him Welcome aboard!

Birthday greetings are out to Bea Paulauskas who celebrated her birthday last month and to John Mencunas whose day comes this month. How many more years until you will be eligible for your old-age pensions?!

The members of Council 103 extend their sympathy to Vera Minalgo on the death of her mother. Our Juniors held a cake sale

May 7th in the parish hall. They also visited Worcester for a social in the middle of May. We wonder who had the better time, the Juniors or the Juniors' councilors????

Three of our fair sex members will be off to college in the fall. Both Julia Leveckas and Carol McKenna are heading for the University of Rhode Island. Kathy Cyronak plans to attend Rhode Island College. Good luck to all of you and happy studying!

"UNANIMOUSLY" ????

ETC., ETC., ETC.,

Jimmy Russell has two blonde bookends. . . Kathy knows somebody who wasn't at the convention dance. . . Joe Sipas got lost on his way to the Russell's party with a charmer from 103 in the car. . . Irene Landauskas has a sure fire cure for tired feet. . . Worcester's Jay danced!!!. . . Our members spent May weekends attending dances in Massachusetts and New Jersey. . . Does Rosemary remember "ZINGGG". . . Ever collect your debt, Ed Daniels?. . . I.O.U 2¢. . . Note to Council 41 girls: Still exchanging?. . . Anyone for a flat tire at sixty miles an hour? Hm, J.R.?. . . BYE!

Worcester, Mass. - 26 Ellie

Out of the deep dark past comes Council 26 with an up-to-date report on council happenings. Although we were lax about sending correspondence in, we were quite energetic in our council activities.

Our report takes us back to March when, in honor of our patron, St. Casimir, we sponsored our annual Communion breakfast in the

church hall. More than half of the council membership attended. Rev. Daniel Doyle, Chaplain at St. Vincent Hospital, was our guest speaker. Fourth Degree medals were presented to Claire Grigaitis and Anthony Morkunas. Third Degree certificates were given to Dan Shimkus and Fran Nockunas. Also, thirteen First Degrees were presented.

Our next occasion to receive Holy Communion in a body will be Mother's Day. Then, not only the Senior K of L members, but also the Juniors will receive with their mothers as the honored guests. Coffee and donuts will be served at a get-together in the church hall following Mass. This, we hope, will also become an annual affair.

The first social event held after Lent was our annual Spring Frolic. It turned out to be a huge success, thanks to all of our friends from Brockton, Norwood, South Boston, Hartford, Providence and our neighbors from the hill, Our Lady of Vilna. Music was provided by Joe Russell and His Happy Artists.

Something new has been added to our council activities. Every fourth month the international flavor enters into our meetings. We serve the popular foods of different countries. So far we have visited Italy, so famous for its spaghetti and meatballs. Germany was our next stop where we experienced the many German-Austrian foods along with many enjoyable appetizers. We are all looking forward to our future visits to various lands and their specialties.

Our bowling season is just about over but there is still as much competition now as there was at the beginning of the season. The final outcome will be announced at our bowling banquet at the Eden Gardens on May 29, 1961.

Our bowlers also did well in the District roll-offs. Congratulations to Rita Pinkus, Joan Steele, Ed Daniels, Ted Pinkus, Jr., Joe Sakaitis, Mary Jankowski, and Ale-

na Pinkus, who all carried back a trophy to Worcester.

Our council in cooperation with Council 116 will sponsor "Films From Lithuania" on May 20, 1961. Jack Stukas from New Jersey will be up to show his films of Lithuania. These films were taken just a year ago and show Lithuania as she is today. The proceeds from this affair will be for the benefit of the K of L Scholarship Fund.

Our council has reached its 45th year and to celebrate, we are having a banquet which will be held at the Eden Garden Restaurant on Sunday, May 21, 1961 at 5:00 P.M. Here, we hope to see the people who started our council and kept it going for the past 45 years. In charge of banquet arrangements is Joe Drumstas.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Marculitis on the birth of their son. All are doing fine.

Joan Steele and Bob Kursas are taking the big step on August 5, 1961. Are you flying to your honeymoon spot???

South Boston, Mass. - 17

Ann Onimus

The monthly meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, April 9th. The business was quickly concluded. It was voted to buy the Lithuanian language records for the council. Plans for the May 27th dance were reviewed. A new member, MARGARET JANUS, was sworn in.

FATHER ZUROMSKIS, at the conclusion of his spiritual talk, urged the membership to attend St. Peter's Parish Annual Reunion on May 14th.

Delegates were named for the N.E. District Convention held at Providence. They included JERRY VENIS, Al JARITIS, PATRICIA PLANSKY, FLORENCE ZALESKAS, RITA VENIS, and WANDA YELMOKAS.

A date was picked for the annual

ski weekend. It will be the second weekend in February.

We learned that FATHER ZUROMSKIS was to observe his 20th anniversary in the Priesthood. We extend our best wishes to him.

The coming council plans include a return to the summer schedule of Tuesday night meetings, attendance at the parish reunion and the planning of a glorious ending to the bowling season.

Council Names in The News:

FLORENCE ZALESKAS who intends to spend part of the summer studying for a Master's Degree at Boston State College.

WILLIAM GORSKI who is editor of the newsletter published by the Mass. Department of Public Safety.

WINI SKUDRIS REARDON who became the mother of a son (Joseph Alan) on April 18th, her husband's birthday.

PHYLLIS GENDREAU who is looking forward to keeping house full-time.

BOB GENDREAU who is sprouting the ambition to enroll in an accounting course come fall.

FRANCES DANIELS who beamingly displays her Bermuda tan. Her trip was "terrific."

HELEN SUPRIN who had a chance to live in Switzerland.

JOE CASPER, Jr. who has become the owner of a lush new Pontiac.

LORETTA LESCINSKAS who will become JOE CASPER'S bride on August 27th.

ANITA and JOHN DANIELS who have an elegant new Oldsmobile.

ANN WISNIEWSKI who was given a bridal shower after Easter.

Attorney ANTHONY YOUNG who helped solve a vexing problem for C-17.

WILLIAM ZAREMBA who will be returning to council life after finishing his tour of duty in South Carolina.

RAY ZIBINSKAS and DIANE PLEVOCK who were the fanciest steppers on the dance floor at the Providence convention.

AL JARITIS who longs for a summer job on Martha's Vineyard.

ALICE ZAREMBA and MARY KRAUNELIS who dashed to Providence for the dance.

Athol-Gardner, Mass. - 10

"Vincukas"

Our Council was well represented at the New England District Convention held in Providence, Rhode Island on April 29th and 30th. Attending were: Nellie Meilaika, Al Rodski, Fran Milosh, Betty Tarpey, Dr. Gailiunas, Bill Waslaski, Bill Wisnauskas and Howie Beaudette. We all had an excellent time at the dance and the social.

The April meeting was held at the home of our president, Al Rodkis, in Gardner. After the meeting an elaborate meal was served which was prepared by Mrs. Rodski. A social followed.

Several of our members participated in the bowling roll offs held in South Boston, Brockton and Worcester.

A group of C-10 members attended 26's Spring dance held at the Bungalow.

A number of our members represented our council at the New England District Holy Hour and Work Shop held at St. Casimir's, Worcester.

We extend our sincerest sympathy to Mr. & Mrs. Normand Langlois on the death of Normand's father.

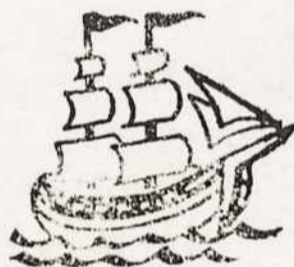
Our Chaplain, Father Al Volungis, has just returned from a vacation spent in Nassau and the Bahamas. He has a swell tan.

Congratulations to Rev. Albin Yankauskas on the 10th Anniversary of his ordination. Fr. Al, a former Chaplain of C-10, is now stationed in his home parish, Our Lady of Vilna, South Worcester. We wish you many fruitful years in God's service, Father Al.

MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Howard Beaudette of Gardner is our council's spiritual chairman. He served on several committees and is anxiously awaiting the forthcoming National Convention. Howie attended and graduated from Orange High and the Culinary Institute of New Haven, Conn. He is now a head cook at the State Hospital in Gardner. Get him, girls!

Howie is 2nd Vice Commander of the American Legion Post in Gardner. He holds membership in the 40 & 8, K of L, K of C, Lithuanian Vets and is an ardent social and church worker. We realize our council has a valuable asset in Howie.



Westfield, Mass. - 30 Genovaitė

Since the first of the year, THERESA ATKOCAITIS has been doing a wonderful job as president of council 30. Her able assistants are: Vice-President - MARCIA ROGERS, Secretary - STELLA FISHER, and Treasurer - NELLIE ADOMAITIS.

The council's Easter food sale was a wonderful success.

Many new faces are appearing at the meetings. Welcome to PETER and DELORES LINGAITIS, EVELYN GRIGGS, Mr. & Mrs. FRANK VALLON and WALTER COACH.

Among the current projects on the agenda for council 30 is a raffle of an Infant of Prague statue.

MISCELLANEOUS: So good to see HELEN ALEXIK and EDNA BERNADICIUS back again after their recent trips to the hospital. Congratulations to the ROBERT SMYKS who have a new addition in the family - a baby girl born in January.

MID-CENTRAL DISTRICT

Pittsburgh, Pa. - 19

M.P.

Since our last report, we had the Supreme Council meeting at Roosevelt Hotel on March 18. The following persons attended: Bob Boris, President, Detroit; Helen Shields, Vice President, Philadelphia; Frances Daniel and E. Rudis, Boston; Frank Gudelis, Dayton; Frank Vaskas, Newark, New Jersey; Larry Janonis, New York; Loretta Kassel and Eleanore Laurin, Chicago; and R. Karsok, Mass. The following Pittsburgh'ers attended: Julia Aleshunas, Stephen Onaitis, Bill Kolicius, Father Karaveckas, Father Gerdis, Margy Potts, Eleanor Aleliunas, Margaret Papeaka.

The Supreme Council members were such busy-bodies with heads together in discussion, planning, etc., pros and cons in regards to everything and anything in order to progress and increase the Knights of Lithuania organization. No time was spent socially. Fortunately, because of the Lenten season and strict observances of fast and abstinence, this was well observed. Even if the probability of absolving these hard working members would have presented itself, they accepted little or no time for socializing. They came to do a job, and whatever it was, I am sure that every effort was put forth to this end.

Eleanor Aliliunas, our new president, suggested a bake sale for fund-raising. This was held on April 16 at St. Casimir's school hall, and was quite successful.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Nell Kuntz (Sikerica) on the death of her mother.

A Radio Banquet is scheduled for Sunday, May 28, at St. Casimir's school hall.

Duquesne University conducts an annual Spring Nationality Folk Festival which will be held this year at Syria Mosque on May 5,

6, 7. The girls from St. Francis Academy usually put on several dance numbers that are commendable. In addition to entertainment, nationality foods are served. One can order any desirable dish and enjoy it fully. The booths are decorative in their particular nationality colors and style. The Lithuanians will perform Friday, May 5, 1961.

We are anxiously awaiting that trip to the Mid-west Bowling Tournament, and perhaps bring home the cup.

NEW YORK - NEW JERSEY DISTRICT

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ANNUAL COMMUNION AND BREAKFAST, Newark, N.J.

The annual Communion and Breakfast, honoring our patron, St. Casimir, took place on Sunday, March 5th. There was a very fine turnout of members for this occasion. Council 29 was host. Led by the Color Guard of the Lithuanian - American Veteran's Post, the group marched into Holy Trinity Church, where at 10:30 A.M. a High Mass was offered for deceased members of the N.Y. - N.J. District. Celebrant was Rev. Peter Totoraitis. The St. Cecilia Choir under the direction of C. Bagdonas, sang the Mass. A. Kacanauskas was organist. Rev. Totoraitis delivered an inspiring sermon.

After Mass, the members marched to St. George's Hall for breakfast. Council 29 Vice-President, Jack Remeika, served as toastmaster. Talks were given by C29 President Charles Strolis, District president Larry Janonis, Msgr. Ignatius Kelmelis, pastor of Holy Trinity Church, Rev. Totoraitis, and Frank Vaskas. Guest speaker Neil J. Duffy, former sheriff of Essex County, N.J. and now a member of the N.J. State Division of Tax Appeals, urged his listeners to help law enforcement bodies in

their drive to stamp out obscene literature and pictures as well as the unlawful use of narcotics.

Peter Podgalsky, Breakfast Chairman, on behalf of the Knights of Lithuania, presented the guest speaker with a medal of St. Christopher. Council 29 was presented with a picture of St. Casimir by Rev. Totoraitis. Mr. Strolis, on behalf of Council 29, expressed thanks for the gift. Gloria Mack of Bayonne and Albin Janks of Newark were given awards for outstanding work done during the past year, on behalf of the District. The morning celebration was brought to a close with a prayer by Msgr. Kelmelis.

DISTRICT BUSINESS MEETING

The afternoon session was opened with a prayer by District Spiritual Adviser Rev. V. Karalevicius. Greetings were extended by Presidents Janonis and Strolis on behalf of the district and host council respectively. John Nakrosius announced that the Annual Junior Convention will take place at Bayonne on Sunday, April 30, in St. Michael's parish hall. Helen shields of Philadelphia, Supreme Council First Vice-President, would be in charge, and would be assisted by Rev. Peter Zemeikis, Gloria Mack, and Martin Rusgi. Representing the district would be Elena and John Nakrosis. The district voted to give a donation towards the Junior Convention.

Al Budreckis gave a discourse on Lithuanian Courses that are being planned this year at Fordham University, and urged those interested in attending to get in touch with him or the University. Rev. Karalevicius gave a very interesting and timely discourse on our Patron St. Casimir.

A committee made up of A. Budreckis, S. Naiva, D. Dutkus, S. Dutkus, and A. Mazeika, Jr. were chosen to plan the District Picnic. After the close the conclave they announced that the 23rd of July had been chosen as

the date of the picnic and St. Michael's picnic grove, Bayonne, N. J. the site.

Rev. Karalevicius gave a talk regarding the canonization of the late Archbishop George Matulevicius - Matulaitis. Third Degree rituals were given to Mr. & Mrs. C. Strolis, Mary Balchiunas, Charles Sipaila, Joan Yankauskas, Walter Kranowski, Jack Stukas, and Nellie Beck. Albin Janks of the Supreme Council Ritual Committee was in charge of the ceremony.

A leadership course dealing with Lithuanian affairs work was conducted by Ann Klem and Albin Janks. Rev. Karalevicius offered prayers for the repose of the soul of Walter Chinik, former national president, and for Stanley Pocius, of C-29.

Sincere thanks are extended to Council 29 for such a nice program. Chairman for the affairs was Peter Podgalsky. He was assisted by Council President, Charles Strolis, George Basil, Julia Strolis, Gertrude Janks, and Eva Sharan.

Philadelphia, PA. - 3

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June is jumpin, and so is Philly's council 3! This being the month of brides and grooms, we are happily looking forward to the coming marriage of two of our finest members, IRENE SASNAUSKAS and ALBERT OZALIS. The date is June 24, 1961 at St. George's church. Our congratulations and best wishes go with you.

Last month's activity was a "Do-what-you-want-to-day" at Farimount Park. Rip Van Winkle accompanied us and opened his big blues just long enough to eat, then back to slumber land. Were you tired when you got home, Walter? Some of the heartier beings played miniature golf and soft ball. STEVE SALNAITIS captained the equestrian team which was composed of his charming wife, GINNY, MARY ANN BURCH, IRENE SARCEWICZ, AGNES TIMMINS, IRENE

VAREVICE, JOHNNY MICKUNAS and JOE YANALAITIS. The team performed before a large audience and were judged on their skill and ability by TOMMY MERON, GEORGE POSKA and WALTER SVEKLA. IRENE VAREVICE claimed a foul saying her horse was blind! This true, Reene?

Congratulations are in order for: AGNES TIMMINS who received a well-deserved promotion at work. Keep up the good work, Agnes. She works for the Rohm Haas Company. And to JOSEPH SIMMONS who is now the proud owner of a beautiful new car.

Newark, N.J. - 29

"The Wanderer"

Council 29 held their monthly meeting on March 21 in St. George's Hall, under the leadership of president, Charles Strolis. Regina Schmiadt and Victor Palama were sworn in as new members.

In a report given by the committee in charge of the recent Lithuanian Independence Day Commemoration, it was also announced that the resolution adopted at the event had been entered into the Congressional record of February 23, through the kindness of Representative Peter W. Rodinox. The committee chosen to plan for a Dinner-Dance some time later in the year were: Chairman Jack Remeika, Co-Chairman Christina Korbet, and Victor Palama, Eva Sharan, Peter Podgalsky, and Charles Sipaila.

A Mass would be offered in Holy Trinity Church Sunday, April 9, at 10:00 A.M., for the repose of the soul of Stanley Pocius who died March 8. The deceased will surely be missed by Council 29 members as he was really an outstanding worker for our group, especially as a member of the district ritual committee, in charge of Council 29's group in that phase of endeavor. May he rest in peace.

Brooklyn-Queens, N.Y. - 41

Carolyn Nagin & Joan Mazeika

During the weekend of April 29-30, a few of Council 41's prominent members attended the New England District Convention at Providence, Rhode Island. Thanks to the typical New England hospitality, we can honestly say that this will remain an unforgettable event.

Our future plans include a summer picnic on Sunday, July 16th in Jamaica, New York. One of the features will be a performance by our Lithuanian Folk Dance Group. We cordially invite all neighboring councils to join in the fun.

THE CHATTERBOX

Heartiest congratulations to Nick Dzvonar on his 20th birthday. . . Leave it to Council 41 to do the unexpected! For example, who ever heard of a birthday party at 7 o'clock in the morning! . . . I wonder if anyone can use a can of gray paint? . . . Oh, that "awful-awful" Newport Creamery. . . Suggestions for a new movie title - "Child of the Sewer". . . Oh, those beautiful trees in Brooklyn. . . How those Providence penthouse dorms lure the poverty-stricken tourists. . . Oh glory, those Ivy-Leaguers!! Leave it to the "independent" New York girls to wear orange shoes and sun glasses. . . Jokes were flying fast at McGary's. . . The State Capitol at night is a magnificent sight, if you can see it!... Confidential to Jimmy - Tony is really a careful driver, (sometimes!). . . Now that summer is fast approaching and the bowling alleys are becoming quite overcrowded, I thought these few rules might help to improve some bowling scores and help make for better personalities: After picking out the best ball, run and stand in front of your favorite alley, thus giving no one a chance to bowl

there. If you make a poor hit, always look at your thumb on the way back to the bench. If you make 3 strikes in a row, (if this should ever happen), calmly and nonchalantly light up your pipe. Even if you don't want to smoke, light one any way.

If you throw the ball in the gutter, grab your leg quickly and limp to the bench, growl about slippery shoes or poor alleys - don't mind the fowl man, he's cross-eyed!

If the other team goes over the foul-line, ask them if they intend to walk a l l the way or only half.

When marking score, and no one is looking, it is always a good idea to chisel a few more points than you made. Your whole team will appreciate it.

Above all, don't forget to keep a bottle of spiked coke close at hand to keep up your morale.

Elizabeth, N.J. - 52 Nuff Said

With warmer weather coming on, vacations, conventions, etc. are vividly framed in our minds. It is pleasant feeling to get away from all that snow and cold. Yet, at convention time it should bring about a few laughs, we can relate all the "tall and cool" stories of this past wintertide. No doubt, some enjoyed skiing, ice skating, sleighing, etc. Then there are those of us who "enjoyed" shoveling, plowing, etc!

Since the New Year, we've had members of the Supreme Council honoring us with their presence. First, LARRY JANONIS came to see us and delivered an enlightening talk. Then, BOB BORIS came in for a surprise visit and showed movies of last year's K of L Pilgrimage to Europe, which two of our girls, ANN BARONIS and MARY MOTECUS were members of. Last, but not least, friend JOE BOLEY came to us with info on the forthcoming K of L-history book.

52's annual Communion breakfast in March was a success. This year the Juniors were a welcomed addition.

Our profound sorrow goes out to ALGIRDAS BUDRECKAS on the loss of his beloved mother and to AL and FRANCES BALANDIS on the loss of their beloved father.

NAMES, PLACES and THINGS: TONY BARONIS' fractured ankle all mende. CHARLES GRINCHIS and family back from an enjoyable trip to West Germany where they visited with his mother-in-law. CHARLES OSKUTIS coming out of the bowling season with many prizes. Our Elizabeth team won the N.Y.-N.J. Sunday afternoon league. AL BUDRECKAS active in the Lithuanian Independence Day celebration. ANN MITCHELL is a member of at least every committee in the parish. MARY MOTECUS' wit lives up our meetings.

Amsterdam, N.Y. - 100

"Smile and Sparkle"

Our Junior K of L'ers took an active part in the Lithuanian Day Commemoration. The 7th and 8th graders danced two numbers. The first, "Malūnas Didysis" (The Grand Mill), cleverly depicted the milling process. The second "Mikita" (The Rod Dance) depicts the attitude of the Dzukai towards the dance. Though farm hands are always tired when doing their chores, they become energetic and wide awake when it comes to dancing the Mikita. The four boys who took part in this number were Ronald Pollak, John Rakstis, Vito Mykolaitis, and Michael Mikolaitis.

Edna Stokna was an exquisite model at the A.L.C. auxiliary card party and hat show. Helping on the committee was Sadie Karbus.

Attending the W.C.S.S. stockholders dinner on February 27 were Attorney A.C. Stokna and wife, Edna, and Gene Gobis. Tony is the secretary.

Ed Baranauskas' job has taken him to Los Angeles, California

for the month of March. His wife, Eleanore, is planning to join him for two weeks.

Mary Ann Nikstenas recently made the local sports headlines by rolling a series of 563. Congratulations, Mary Ann!

Gene Gobis attended the Testimonial Dinner-Dance for Larry Janonis. Isabelle Dopkus and her fiance Milt McKinley appeared also for the dance.

A small reunion of the Eucharistic Congress tour was staged at the Hotel Robert Treat, when Bob Boris, John Alanskas, Mary Motecus, Ann Baronis, and Gene Gobis got their heads together to reminisce. The following day Father Contons and Eugenia Karpus arrived to join in the reunion. Helping out with celebration were Loretta Kassel, Ed Sharkus, Bill Corcoran, and Charlie Oskutis.

Mary Motecus and her family entertained the group royally at Sunday dinner. On behalf of us all, thanks very much, Mary. After enjoying John Alanskas' brightly colored slides of Europe, Gene missed seeing the movies which Bob Boris took of Europe to rush home before the start of a bad winter storm in Elizabeth.

Gene Gobis found that "Butterfield 8" was still on when she returned from her trip, so made a bee line for the theater. As the film was progressing, a member of the cast appeared on the screen for a short moment with Eddie Fisher. Gene, in the audience, let out of yell of recognition. . . JOE BOLEY. . . How do you like that, she had only seen Joe at the Testimonial for Larry that very same weekend.

Belated birthday greetings to our secretary, Eleanor Stakauskas - - - February 27.

March was a "three bagger" for Milda Zemaitis' father. It was his name day, his birthday and his anniversary!

Birthday greetings to another of our fairer sex - Pauline Urban - - - April 26.

It was getting on towards 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 19. The people were gathered awaiting Jack Stukas, but no Jack. After hasty phone calls to his home, anxious Amsterdam council learned that he was on his way. The chimes struck 2:30 and in walked Jack and his dad. The members wiped their brows and the program started on schedule. St. Casimir's Church Choir sang a number of hymns.

Father Baltch presented Jack Stukas with a \$25.00 check for the Scholarship Fund and then Jack gave a most enlightening lecture on "Present Day Lithuania," after which he showed his films on Kaunas and Vilnius, Moscow, East and West Berlin. All who attended were most impressed with Jack's comments and were disappointed that the program had to come to an end.

Jack renewed acquaintances with Father Baltch, Father Cyvas, Prof. Olsauskas, Leonard Hartvigas, Matthew Kazlauskas. He also met a group of our K of L'ers: Pres. Don Nikstenas and his wife Mary Ann, and his mother, Josephine, Vic Rimkus, Geraldine Myers, Ruth Lalas, Caroline Kreisel, Eleanor Stakauskas, Sadie and Charles Karbus, Pauline Urban, Pat Sargalis, Regina Drenzek, Ann and Tony Beleckas. At long last, Matthew Orante got to meet Jack Stukas. Jack brought his dad to Gene Gobis' while he left for St. Casimir's Rectory to have dinner with Father Rashtutis, Father Baltch, and all the visiting priests who were down for Forty Hours. After attending the services, he commented on the beauty of St. Casimir's Church. He was most impressed with our beautiful lights.

Edna Gustas (former K of L'er) was chief cook at the rectory during the Forty Hours. Her aid was Sophie Olbie, another super-duper cook. What would we do without Sophie at our summer outings????

The day after Easter proved to be a bad time for our meeting.

Only a minority of our members showed up. However, Milda Zemaitis, home for the holidays from the University of Michigan, appeared and brought us up to date on her activities at the University. A most informal meeting was conducted. Gene Gobis gave a report on the outcome of our program, "See 'Present Day Lithuania' with Jack Stukas." Plans for our summer outing were discussed and then shelved until the May gathering. Father Baltch read a few articles from the book "Trejos Devynerios".

Refreshments were served by Sophie Olbie and Patricia Sargalis.

ILLINOIS-INDIANA DISTRICT

NEW DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS.
Lithuanian Affairs - Ed. Pocius;
District Bulletin Editor - Loretta Macekonis; Board Secretary - Helen Zimmer.

DANCERS ATTENTION. The District is attempting to organize a social dancing group to learn the various Lithuanian dances under the capable direction of Joe Ulevicius. Interested parties please contact Joe. Rehearsals every Monday from 7 to 8 P.M.

CHICAGO-DETROIT MATCH GAMES. The Inter-City Match series began with Chicago "motoring to the Motor City" on April 22-23rd. Breaking the rule of 1959, the visitors were the victors by a decisive margin. After the match games, we were royally entertained with a dinner and dance at the Veterans Club. Sunday, after Mass and brunch, the Chicagoans were feted at the home of Bob Boris. The nomads who made the trip were: Loretta Kassel, Eleanore Laurin, Ann-Marie & Terry Pupinik, Aldona Kaminskas, Scotty Zukas, Tony Valek, Jerry Jesulaitis, Wally Tenclinger, Gene Pirok, Al Pratt, Frank Svelnis, Vic Arasim and

last but not least Al Kassel. Return match????? in Chicago.

BOWLING - SUPPER CLUB. The final party of the season was held at the Cermak Bowl on Sunday, April 30th, Council 5 hosts. The big money winners were: Gusty Paicius and Pat Mankus; Steve Manst and Louis Rogers; Mike Januska and Gerry Mack; Al Manst, Sr. and Tony Yuknis; Vincent Mankus and B. Oglesby; Al Dagis and Aldona Kaminskas; John Lynch and Sally Sosnitski; Robert Oglesby and Irene Sankus; Bob Doman and Fran Valancius; Alex Shrupsa and Stella Danielius; Ed. Mikalauskas, Jr. and Gertie Carver. Special award to Gerald Valancius. These parties are now discontinued for the summer months and everyone will be awaiting their return in Fall. Al Manst, Sr. (who originated the idea and directed most of the parties) deserves the credit for their success and for all the fun we had during the season.

Our SENIORS held their Annual Garden Party to herald the opening of the summer season on Sunday, May 7th in the K of L Garden. The Šauliai Dancers performed for the guests, which included many District members.

CHOIR NEWS. Representing the Lithuanians at the Blossom-Time Festival on Sunday, May 21st, were the Ateitis Dancers and our own District Choir. This is an annual event sponsored by the City of Chicago. As our Choir is only 6-months old, it was a special honor to be requested to perform. On the summer agenda of the Choir are performances at the International Trade Fair to be held at the new McCormick Place and at the Annual Back-of-the-Yards Fair.

MISLES????? Was Vince Samaska doing a new Polka step on the K of L Garage when his foot crashed through the roof??? How is it possible that Gerry Mack and Irene Sankus missed a trip to Detroit??? Is there anyone in

Detroit that Jerry Jesulaitis doesn't know????



ILL.-IND. DISTRICT BOWLING LEAGUE CHAMPION TEAM.
l. to r. Barbara Gerches, Leo Nilles, Al Kassel, Dolores Kupetis, Tom Kupetis.

Chicago, Ill. - 36

"Blogas"

Best wishes are extended from Council 36 to the district members now responsible for publishing the monthly organ of our organization, VYTIS. We are proud also to have the new home of VYTIS in Chicago. On the new staff is our own LORETTA KASSEL who has agreed to accept this tedious task amongst her many other endeavors. Loretta is also a member of the Alice Stephens Singers who recently appeared in New York City, at a concert honoring JACK STUKAS' "MEMORIES OF LITHUANIA" Radio Program's 20th Anniversary. Our congratulations are extended to JACK STUKAS on this happy occasion. We wish him many more years of making Lithuanian culture available to people of the New York area.

News from Detroit indicates that Council 36 again received a real red carpet treatment, when SCOTTY ZUKAS, ALDONA KAMINSKAS, AL & LORETTA KASSEL, WALLY TENCLINGER, VIC ARASIM, FRANK SVELNIS, AL PRATT, TONY VALEK and GENE PIROK, plus other members of the District, appeared for the Detroit-Chicago once-in-a-while bowling match. Again, Chicago took over the lanes and came home with their pockets full of that green stuff. We thank

Detroit for the wonderful time. . . and especially Mrs. Boris for her usual hospitality-plus, and for the delicious Sunday supper.

The final monthly bowling supper club was held recently and council newcomer AL SRUPSA came home a bit richer. We're glad to see Al and his lovely wife DALE attending the district functions and also participating in the Bowling League.

RICH SHLAUSTAS' concept of what the K of L Garden will be like in the near future is truly impressive and we commend Rich for his creative expression, and other members who have already begun working on this project.

Forgot to mention that AL KASSEL was on that wayward bus to Jack Stukas' concert in New York with all of those lovely singers, while VINCE SAMOSKA flew out for the event, and headed the waiting welcoming committee.

Congratulations to the ATEITIS Lithuanian Folk Dancers on their 20th Anniversary. Our own Vince Samoska is president, and C-36'ers who belong are Frank and Eleanore Zapolis, Helen Pius, Mary Ann and Wally Zemgulis, Cecilia Matul, Rita Gorb, Joe and Kazys Ulevicius, and Wally Tenclinger.

CALIFORNIA DISTRICT

Los Angeles, Calif. — 133 J. P.

Seniors

Lietuvos Vyčių Seniorų Los Angeles kuopos susirinkimas ir pobūvis š. m. balandžio 23 d., įvyko Valerijos ir Broniaus Papšių namuose.

Susirinkimo pradžioje buvo paminėta M.K. Čiurlionio 50 metų pomirtinė sukaktis. Kuopos pirmininkas, J. Puikūnas, savo pasakaitoje nušvietė ir apibūdino M.K. Čiurlionio nepaprastus sugebėjimus muzikos mene ir ypatingai atsižymėjimą tapybos mene, ieškant Augščiausio Kurėjo mistinės visumos harmonijos, ipindamas jon

ir lietuviškos dvasios grožio pasireiškimų. Aptariant šių metų tolimesnę veiklą, nutarta prie Seniorų kuopos įsisteigti savo lėšomis išigytų ir suaukotų knygų knygynėlių. Pradžiai kuopos pirmininkas J. Puikūnas (Mingirdas) paaukojo 5 egzempliorius savo paruoštos ir išleistos knygos: Smulkioji Tautosaka (patarlių, priežodžių, posakių rinkinys). Susirinkimo dalyviai, norėdami kad JAV Kongresas greičiau priimtų Senatoriaus T. Kuchel ir Kongresmano C.P. Lipscomb rezoliucijas dėl Pabaltijo kraštų išlaisvinimo, parašė jiems ir kitiems kongresmanams prašymų ir padėkos laišku. Sekanti susirinkimą užkvietė Bronė ir Antanas Skyriai į savo rezidenciją Burbank, Kalifornija.

AN INVITATION

to all K of L-ers and their friends planning to attend "Dainų Šventė," July 2, 1961, in Chicago. An open-house is planned - to introduce you to Chicago and Chicagoans!

The date: Saturday, July 1, 1961

The time: 8:00 P.M. TO - ?

The place: K of L Building, 2453 West 47th St. (One block west of Western Ave.)

On the agenda are refreshments, dancing, good fellowship. Your hosts, the Illinois-Indiana District K of L's, look forward to meeting you there!

K of L CALENDAR

- Jun. 10 - Ill.- Ind. District Bowling League Banquet, Red Lantern Inn, Chicago.
- Jun. 10 - Jubilee Committee Meeting, Hotel New Yorker, New York, N.Y.
- Jun. 11 - Mid-Central District Adult and Youth Conference, Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, Ohio.
- Jun. 17 - Supreme Council Meeting, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Jun. 24 - Second Annual Midwest Golf Tournament, Detroit, Mich. C 102 Hosts.
- Jul. 1 - Kerulis-Petrulis Testimonial Dinner, Chicago, Ill.
- Jul. 1 - Open House for K of L Participants in Dainų Šventė, K of L Hall, Chicago, Ill.
- Jul. 2 - Dainų Šventė (National Lithuanian Song Festival), International Amphitheatre, Chicago, Ill.
- Jul. 4 - Annual Ill. - Ind. District Picnic, Willow-West Grove, Willow Springs, Ill.
- Jul. 15 - Annual Ill.-Ind. District Golf Tournament, Gleneagles C.C., Orland Park, Ill.
- Jul. 16 - Brooklyn - Queens (41) Picnic, Polish National Hall, Jamaica, Long Island. Music from 1:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. by Nick Dzvonar and His Lithuanian Knights Orch.
- Jul. 23 - N.Y. - N.J. District Picnic, Bayonne, New Jersey
- Aug. 6 - DAYTON, Ohio (96) Lithuanian Day Picnic, Eintracht Park.
- Aug. 10 - Bob - Lo Moonlights Cruise, C 79, Detroit, Mich.
- Aug. 13-19 - Dainava Lithuanian Youth Camp at Manchester, Michigan.
- Aug. 24-27 - 48th K of L NATIONAL CONVENTION. Hosts: Cleveland Seniors and Council 25, Cleveland, Ohio. Convention Headquarters - Carter Hotel.

LITHUANIAN KITCHEN

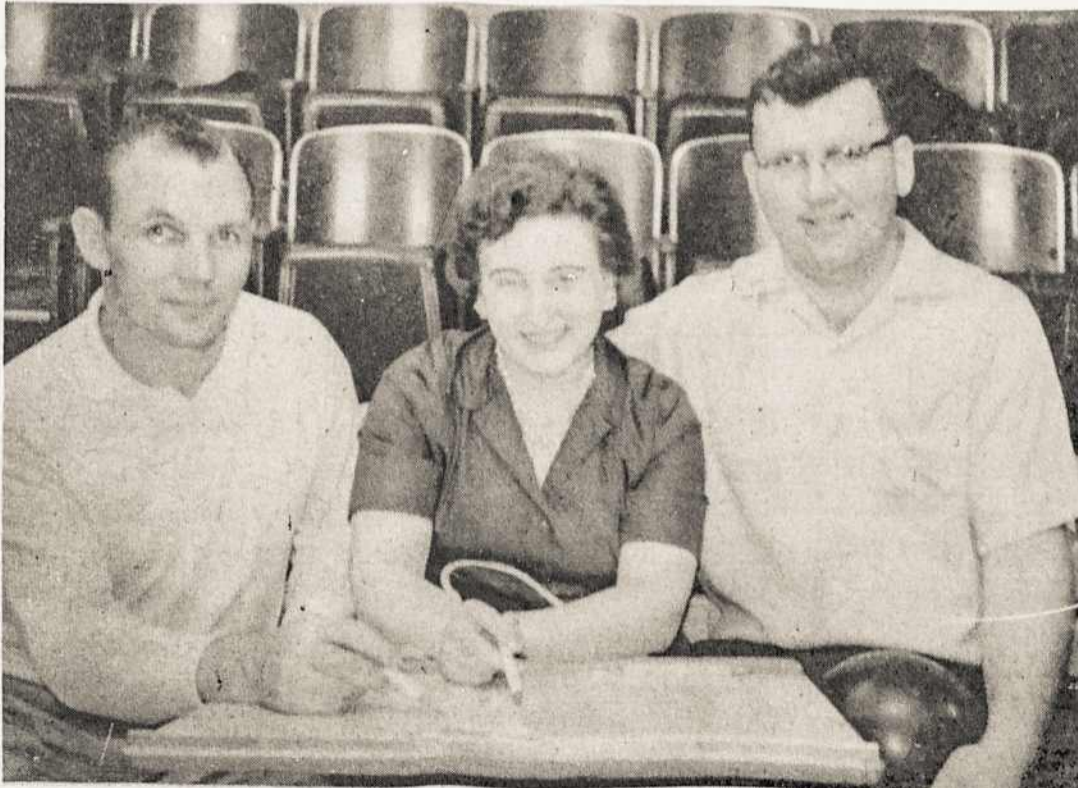
At the suggestion of Bernice Kavadaras and the New England District, Lithuanian recipes will be featured in future issues. If you have a favorite recipe that could be shared with our readers, we'll be glad to publish it. This month's selection was taken from "Popular Lithuanian Recipes," compiled by Josephine Dauzvardis.

LITTLE EARS (Ausukės)

2 eggs
1 3/4 cups pastry flour
3 tbsps. sweet cream
1 tbsp. sugar

Beat eggs until light and fluffy. Add sugar and cream. Add enough flour to make a dough which can be rolled very thin. Cut into diamond shapes. Slash the center of each diamond, twist one end through the hole to form a knot. Fry in hot deep fat until lightly browned. Drain on absorbent paper. Dust with powdered sugar.

NOTE: The two summer numbers of VYTIS will now appear as combined June-July and August-September issues. This is in lieu of omitting the August and September issues.



ATTENTION COLLEGE STUDENTS!

You can help to increase academic quality of the VYTIS by your intellectual experience. Each one of us is required each semester to write a certain amount of essays or term papers on given subjects as assigned work. Many of these topics relate directly or indirectly to Lithuanian culture, art, history, or contemporary world civilization. By saving these works and sending them in to the VYTIS we can offer a very valuable service in raising the academic and intellectual quality of this important organ.

Each one of us, if we are truly dedicated to the ideals of the Knights of Lithuania, must offer our assistance in the way that we are best capable. Therefore, while pursuing our higher education, we can offer our academic qualities and knowledge for the goals of our Lithuanian youth organization.

EVERYONE COME TO DETROIT
JUNE 24, 1961 - FOR THE
SECOND ANNUAL K OF L MID-
WEST GOLF TOURNAMENT

If you remember the '59 National Convention in Detroit... or have heard it called "one of the best," you will want to be present for some more of that Happy Hospitality. If you remember the '60 Golf Tournament

in Chicago... or have heard that this "first" met with such success that advance bids for future years were made by several K of L cities, you surely won't want to miss this event!

Remember the date - SATURDAY, June 24, 1961, and the place - DETROIT, MICHIGAN. The A.M. is reserved for the Golf Meet, the P.M. for a gala Trophy Party. Make your reservations today, by writing to Bill Juodawlakis, 7334 Middlepoint, Dearborn, Mich.

ANTHOLOGY OF LITHUANIAN POETRY TO BE PUBLISHED THIS YEAR

VOYAGES PRESS announces GREEN OAK, GREEN LINDEN, a representative selection of Lithuanian poetry, edited by Algirdas Landsbergis and Clark Mills. A companion volume to SELECTED LITHUANIAN SHORT STORIES, now in its second year, GREEN OAK, GREEN LINDEN will include the folk songs (Dainos) and poems drawn from earlier centuries, as well as contemporary work by Lithuanian poets, in new English translation. This selection will be produced as a collaborative effort of Lithuanian and American scholars, writers and poets.

GREEN OAK, GREEN LINDEN is scheduled for publication on December 1, 1961, at \$4.50 per volume, but is offered at \$3.50 to interested readers who wish to subscribe before that date. Such readers may write for their discount copies to VOYAGES PRESS, 35 West 75th Street, New York 23, N.Y.

1961 K OF L MIDWEST BOWLING TOURNAMENT "Head Pins" make final plans for tourney held May 27-28 in Chicago. l. to r. Vince Samoska and Gerry Mack, Assistant Chairmen, Al Kassel, Chairman.

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KNIGHTS OF LITHUANIA

48th National Convention



Cleveland, Ohio

August 24 - 27 - 1961

CARTER HOTEL

Host: Councils: Senior and Council 25

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

Wednesday August 23	Trip to Fabulous CEDAR POINT - Sandusky, Ohio - Picnic - Swimming - Fishing - Midway	9:00 AM 6:00 PM
Thursday August 24	Golf Tournament Bowling Tournament VYČIU - "Wedding and Reception"	AM PM 8:00 PM
Friday August 25	Mass and Breakfast - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Tour of Lithuanian Cultural Gardens Sessions "Sports" Luncheon Sessions Concert - CIURLIONIS ENSEMBLE	8:00 AM 9:15 AM AM 12:15 PM PM 8:30 PM
Saturday August 26	Mass and Breakfast - St. John's Cathedral Sessions Luncheon Sessions Semi-Formal Dance - Al Tercek & his Orchestra	8:30 AM AM 12:15 PM PM 9:00 PM
Sunday August 27	Solemn High Mass - St. George's Church and Brunch Sessions Closing Banquet - Rainbow Room	10:30 AM PM 6:00 PM

DELEGATES, TAKE NOTE !!!

To get the most out of YOUR Convention, come... but come PREPARED! Convention social functions are always fun, but you can enjoy the business sessions as well if you do some pre-planning now. Consider these few hints...

- ... Scan the VYTIS to see what the K of L is doing and what plans are being made,
- ... Prepare concrete suggestions and specific resolutions for improvements in all these activities,
- ... List your various Council problems so they may be discussed for the mutual benefit of all delegates at the Leadership Panels,
- ... THEN - willingly participate in the various convention committees.