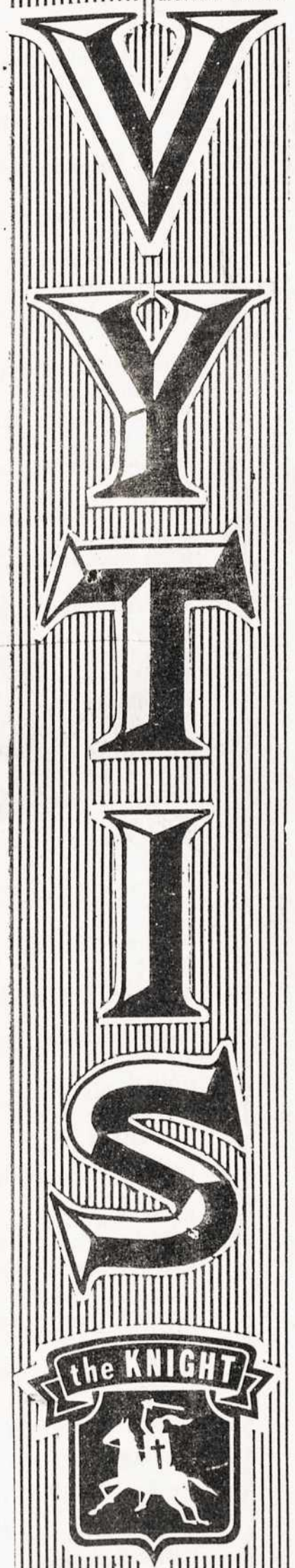
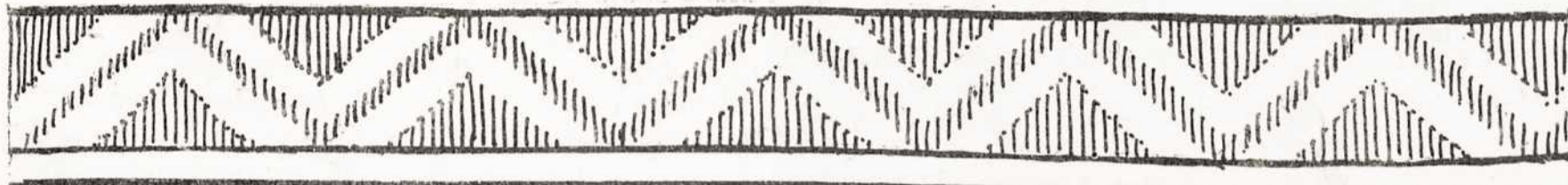


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AN UNSUNG HERO -

THE "KNYGNEŠYS"

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One of the most significant periods in the history of the Lithuanian people fell between the years of 1864-1904. This forty year span saw one of Russia's innumerable attempts to stifle the development of nationalism in Lithuania.

In the late 19th Century, Russia was already an Imperial state. Her borders, won by blood and conquest, encompassed various peoples. Russia rulers eventually began to fear that the winds of revolution that ravaged most of Europe during the latter half of the century, might eventually blow across her own borders. The most susceptible to possible thought of revolt were of course the ethnic minorities that often found themselves reluctant captives of the larger power merely by virtue of their geographic proximity.

The Lithuanians were one of these peoples. They had not known a true semblance of freedom or nationalism since the reign of Vytautas the Great, when Lithuania's

borders extended from the Baltic to the Black Seas. Since the Lublin Union (1569) politically and economically united Poland and Lithuania, the development of Lithuanian culture as a unique entity, was stifled, while the youth of Lithuania received its education in the Polish or Latin languages. The literary works of the period, notable those of Adomas Mickevicius (Adam Mickiewicz) have made their way into history as Polish literature by Polish authors, when in fact the literature treated Lithuanian themes and were created by sons of Lithuanian soil.

This trend began a gradual reversal when the University of Vilnius encouraged special studies into the Lithuanian language and literature. For a while it seemed that a modern Lithuanian consciousness might blink, but history took another turn.

Napoleon's army was making its long trek across Europe. It halted outside of Lithuania, occupying Prussia. Lithuanian leaders approached him to enlist support in reestablishing an independent Lithuania. Unknown to this delegation, Napoleon and Czar Alexander had signed an alliance. In 1812, when the French turned on their short-lived allies, Lithuania lay in the path of armies. First the French marched on Moscow, and when defeated not by armaments but by the Russian winter, they retreated across Lithuania ravaging the land. In pursuit, the Russians occupied all of Lithuania. Before the borders were closed, Lithuanians fled to Prussia and set up a provisional government headquarters.

In Lithuania proper, rumblings of discontent had not yet ceased. The Russians evoked a historically





"Knygnešys" - Sculpture by J. Zikaras

across the Prussian borders into Lithuania. These patriots braved the heavily-guarded borders, as well as prison terms, deportation to Siberia or even execution. Accounts show that at certain sites, the border guards were so densely stationed that they could see each other. The Russians even recruited informants from border villages to report any book-smuggling or even the appearance of any of the contraband literature in the village.

Prayerbooks were the first items that were smuggled, since the faithful considered use of prayerbooks in the Cyrillic alphabet as blasphemy. As political consciousness dawned in East Prussia, such newspapers as "Aušra" (The Dawn), "Varpas" (The Bell), "Tėvynės Sargas" (Guardian of the Homeland) and others made their way into Lithuanian homes via the Knygnešiai, thus nurturing a desire for national independence.

accepted means of repression, a "Press Ban". This particular press ban was more sinister since it sought not only to destroy political leanings, but national character.

The "Press Ban" (1864-1904) required that all publications employ the Russian Cyrillic alphabet. With one fell stroke all aspects of life were affected: school books, church books, newspapers, etc. The Latin alphabet was prohibited.

Resistance to the ban was waged on two fronts. At home, books were hidden and read under cover of darkness, and to children while mother spun at the loom. The other front, was in East Prussia where Lithuanians had fled and begun the publication of patriotic journals that put the rising Lithuanian nationalism into black and white, prose and poetry.

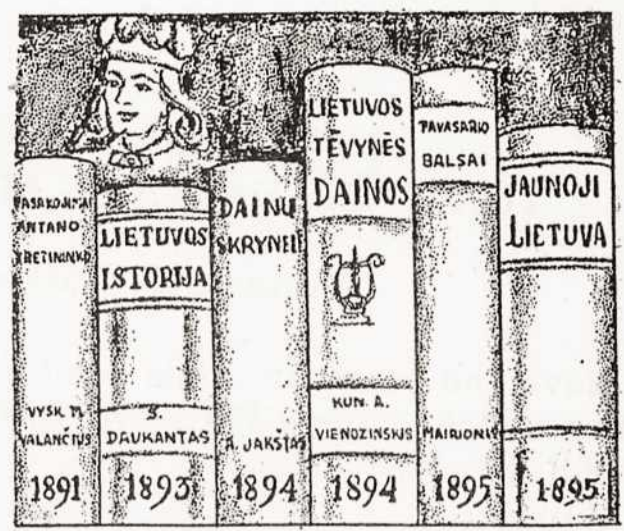
The essential bridge between these two resistance fronts were the "Knygnešiai" or book-carriers. This illustrious group of Lithuanians smuggled the Latin alphabet Lithuanian periodicals and books



"Vargo Mokykla" - A mother teaches her son Lithuanian secretly. Sculpture by P. Rimša



JURGIS BIELINIS, "King of the Knygnešiai"



Some names involved in the book smuggling were Bishop Motiejus Valančius who encouraged priests to assist (1850-75). Many of his followers were captured and died in exile. Another was Jurgis Bielinis, "King of the Knygnešiai", who once worked with Valančius and later set up a distribution center which served Northern Lithuania and Latvia. Another was Rev. Martynas Sidaravičius whose rectory on the German-Russian border, employed the printing shop of one Otto von Mauerode. Juozas Kancleris was a successful smuggler for much of southern Lithuania.

Once the printed matter was successfully transported across the border, the people themselves saw that it went from one village to the next... in a salesman's sample case, in an old woman's basket of bread, in a farmer's bag of grain or in a doctor's medical satchel. These grass-roots distributors eventually formed secret societies like ATGAJA (The Recovery), SIETYNAS (The Constellation), ARTOJŲ DRAUGIJA (The Plowman's Society).

None other than K of L Founder Mykolas Norkunas can be numbered among the members of the "Lithuanian Book Army".

There is no way of knowing how many Lithuanians participated in this activity, or even how many were penalized or gave their lives.

It is certain that more than 40,000 copies of publications were crossing the borders every year.

The Knygnešiai remain Lithuania's most underestimated and unsung national heroes. Their contributions to the preservation and development of Lithuanian national character has been vital.

The only fitting conclusion to this article is repeating the words of Lithuanian philosopher Stasys Šalkauskis (speaking on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the Freedom of the Press).

"This was a long road of martyrdom on which many persons known and unknown to us today had to pay moral and physical penalties for what is man's inborn holy right, the freedom of cultural determination. During that historic martyrology, Knygnešys, that unpretentious and unknown carrier of the cultural flame, attained the limits of Promethean heroism. To mark this proud page of our history, the Lithuanian nation would only have to erect a monument to NEŽINOMAS KNYGNEŠYS (The Unknown Book-Smuggler) who, holding a torch in one hand and carrying a bundle of books in the other, would symbolize to the Lithuanians the same ideals as the Arch of Triumph or the Statue of Liberty".

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VARPAS

teratūros, politikos ir mokslo mėnesinis laikraštis

A. a. Daktaras Vincas Kudirka †.

31./XII. 1859. — † 16./XI. 1899.

16. d. lapkričio mėnesio, vakare, apie 6-tą valandą, šiuose 1899 metais, persikyrė juo so svietu daktaras Vincas Kudirka sulaukęs toli 41 metų amžiaus.

Ka padarė gero Lietuvių ir lietuviams, a. Vincas, kiek pasėjo sąsėdžių sėklų ant šių neapdirbtų dirvų vo rastais, širdiais ir rėbiais bus aprašyta vėliau. A-gi tik paminti trumpai gyvenimą a. a. Kudirkos.

Gimė jisai Paberkių kaime, Vilkavickio parapijoje, valkių gubernijoje (toje lyje jos gyventojų, ką (spėjama) vadina) 1859 metais 31. dieną vedžio mėnesio, pagal mįšį skaičių. Motina buvo Elizbeta (pagal vna Jasinevičiūtė). Iš 15-gi Motiejus Kudirka medtuomet pariam suavo me žmūnė. Janyntė vo pralido a. a. Vincas vo tėvų namuose, kurie ovi ant paties ežero kranto, iš kitos-gi puses vo kolonija prieina prie girios — tai-gi vieta ina smagi. Tėvai buvo žmonės gana gerai paritarias: kolonija gero lauko apie 70 margų, raddėjys eiti į mokslius jaunas Vincas pasirodė iš geros galvos. Pirtai buvo atiduotas į kliaas* Starpols, t. y. į gimnaziją. Kelinose metuose pastojė jis į gimnaziją, tikrai etinas, bet bene 1871 metuose, bent tikrai sia, kad 1877 metuose birželio mėnesį palidė žėnas kliaas gimnazijos ir tų patį ruožį pastojė į Seinų rymo-katalikų Dvasiškių seminariją, kur prabūres bereik dvejus mokslo etus pavasarį 1879 m. gegužės mėnesįje išimė savo romėnas nuo seminarijos rozesno.



t. y. išėjo iš seminarijos; po vakacijų į pačinose metuose vėl buvo priimtas į kliaas Starpols gimnazijos. Gimnazijoje nosi jis gerai, tankiai budavo tarpe pirmu mokininiu ir apturdavo pirmas dovanas moksle. Gimnazijoje laišęs 1881 metais vadinavo į Varsavos versitetą ant filiofių skyriams, kurį kliaas į metais, ir 1882 met perėjo ant medicinos rūj pabaigė rudesyje metuose Varsavoje dunant 1885 metuose senyje buvo paimtas darų į kalėjimą už pėjimą prie slaptos vaidžis amonios dra stas, uždėjo tik apie teltas; kitokios ban nuo valdžios ne buvo universitetas pasirodė "nuis už pacis mas administraciję ir at studentų V. Kudirką 2 metų nuo mokslo. A tokį balsų atitikin

valdžia a. a. Kudirka bebūdamas universitet rejo daug vargo kesti, šės kartais ir de kėsnio pritrakdavo jam. Tai vis jau tnomė ardė jo silpnę iš prigimimo) sveikatą, ir per žandarų visokius tyrinėjimus stud. dirka jau labai pasibaigusis išrodė. Pirtai kosulys, kartais ir su kraujais, — šodit apiverstet bebūdamas apireitė plančių vos senklai. Laikui bėgant liga tai mazindavo, tai vėl labjans pasirodydavo, jau neatstojė, iki ant galo pagulios visa perkirto silpno siulo gyvasties Pabaigęs medicinos mokslus daktara Kudirka apsigyveno Sakų miestelive

VARPAS announces death of Vincas Kudirka



TEVYNĖS SARGAS 1896-1904



AUSRA



1883-1886



VARPAS 1889-1900



LAIKRAŠČIAI

I GAVE THE EARTH AN APPLE SEED

Antonia M. Wackell

I gave the earth an apple seed
And watched them both with care
I did not dare
To pluck

Encroaching weeds when they emerged.
Is it apple? Blade?
That green brigade
Makes up

A lush green carpet on the lawn.
But fragrance in the spring
And harvesting
In fall

Is our aim and aspiration.
With help of Providence
And much suspense
A tree

Will grow juicy, colorful fruit.
Beautiful to the eye
For passer-by
And me.



I PLANTED SOME RUE

Antonia M. Wackell

I planted some rue but it did not grow.
I planted some mint but it did not grow.
Then one Spring day under the golden-
Forsythia, long-stemmed violets greeted me.
Gently from their shady patch
I transferred them to the place
Where the mint and rue refused to grow.
Now when Spring days come, under the window
The thriving violets, a bed of white and blue,
Freshened with the morning dew
Dry themselves in the early sun. And small birds
Twitter among the thick green leaves.
Then one day, I found green rue
Fraternizing with the chives
And the fragrant mint revealed itself
Anchored around the purple bearded iris
And the perfumed peonies.
Was it the wind
Or the birds that transferred
My seeds of mint and rue?



LIETUVOS VYČIAI...

VAKAR, ŠIANDIEN, RYTOJ

Stasys Pieža

(Kalba pasakyta Lietuvos Vyčių Seniorų parengime, kuriame buvo pagerbti nariai kurie priguli Lietuvos Vyčių organizacijoje 50 metų ar daugiau, Lietuvos Vyčių salėje, Chicago, Kovo 3-čią, 1974, paminint Šventą Kazimierą, Lietuvos Vyčių globėją).

Brangieji,

Žymusis muzikas ir kompozitorius, Liudvikas Beethoven, yra pasakęs: "Muzika turi uždegti širdis".

Gyvenimas, panašiai kaip muzika, uždega širdis, jei jis ritmingas, jausmus, vaisingas.

Mūsų emigrantai iš Lietuvos sukūrė gyvenimą, kuris uždegė širdis Amerikoje. Jie sukūrė parapijas, išaugino šeimas ir įsteigė mokyklas; įsteigė draugijas, biznių įstaigas, suteikė mokslą savo vaikams, ir savo darbu ir prakaitu fabrikuose ir anglių kasyklose prisidėjo prie Amerikos išaugimo į didžiausią ir stipriausią demokratinę valstybę pasaulyje. Jie ne vien su pasididžiavimu priėmė, bet ir užsitarnavo Amerikos pilietybę.

Nuostabu, kad lietuviai ateiviai tiek daug Amerikoje nuveikė! Juk, kai emigracija prasidėjo viduryje 19-to šimtmečio, atvyko mūsų lietuviai iš Lietuvos dauguma tik su dvidešimts rublių kišenėse. Ir tik 1898 metais patiems lietuviams pareikalaujant pradėjo Amerikoje lietuvius registruoti kaip lietuvius.

Lietuviai ateiviai buvo jauni. Jie turėjo daugiau drąsos negu mokslo, patyrimo. Jie nemokėjo anglų kalbos. Jie buvo "grinoriais" pavadinti.

Mūsų tėvų atvykusių Amerikoje didžiausias ilgesys buvo apleisti savo tėvynę, kuri buvo Caro valdoma ir kuomet tėvynė buvo žiauriai slopinama. Jų širdyse ir mintyse buvo užsilikę Lietuvos ošiančios girios... jų takeliai... rūtų kvėpėjimas jų sodžiaus darželyje... varpo skambėjimas kaimo bažnyčios bokšte... jų motinos ir tėvai...

Atvykę į Ameriką, daugiausiai į miestus, lietuviai ateiviai susibūrė į katalikų parapijas, kurios tapo židiniai jų tikybės, socialinio ir ekonominio gyvenimo.

Tais laikais jiems daugiausia rūpėjo parapijos gyvenimas. Jei paklausus ateivio kur jis gyvena, jis nepaduodavo savo naminių antrašų, bet pasakydavo parapiją kur jis gyvena, kaip "Aš gyvenu Švento Jurgio parapijoje, bei Dievo Apvaizdos parapijoje". Parapija lietuviui ateiviui buvo jo socialinis centras... jis su parapijiečiais pasitardavo už kokį Amerikos prezidentą balsuoti... pasitardavo apie darbus, namus, ir su parapijiečiais susigunę veikė dėl socialinio pagerinimo savo kolonijoje.



S. Pieža

Mūsų ateiviai turėjo didį pasitikėjimą į Dievą. Vieton organizuoti nacionalistines organizacijas, jie įsteigė parapijose religinio pobūdžio draugijas, kaip "Švento Jurgio", "Švento Kazimiero Karalaičio Gvardija", ir panašiai. Jie, irgi, atsinešė iš savo tėvynės karštą meilę ir pagarbą Šventam Kazimierui, Lietuvos globėjui.

Tokioje dvasioje gimė Amerikoje Lietuvos Vyčiai 60 metų atgal.

Ir, šiandien, Lietuvos Vyčiai, pasilaikant lietuvių katalikų tradicijų, garbina Šventą Kazimierą kaip jaunimo globėją. Vyčiai yra vieninteliai Amerikoje kurie iškelia viešą metinį paminėjimą Švento Kazimiero dienoje. Vyčiams Švento Kazimiero diena yra taip svarbi kaip Švento Patriko diena airiams. Ir Lietuvos Vyčiai, su kitais dorais katalikais, maldauja Švento Kazimiero įteikmės dėl išliuosavimo Lietuvos iš komunistų nagų.

Šventas Kazimieras mirė 1484 metais, vos sulaukęs 26 metų. Jo kūnas buvo palaidotas Vilniaus katedroje, bet 1953 metais jo kūną perkėlė į Švento Petro ir Povilo bažnyčią Antakalnyje kuomet komunistai perkeitė Vilniaus katedrą į muziejų. Jis buvo paskelbtas šventuoju 1602 metais kuomet Klemensas VIII buvo popiežium.

Švento Kazimiero garbinimas, bei kultas, paplito per Lietuvą ir Europos miestus. Daug bažnyčių buvo pavadinta Šventu Kazimieru. Romoje, Italijoje yra

Švento Kazimiero kolegija. Daugelis lietuvių buvo pakrikštyti Švento Kazimiero vardu... ir, tadgi, turime daug Kaziukų. Amerikoje, sakoma, kad yra apie 20 lietuvių parapijų Švento Kazimiero vardu. Ir Amerikoje turime Švento Kazimiero seserų kongregaciją, ir Chicagoje kas nežino Švento Kazimiero kapinės, kur tūkstančiais mūsų ateivių šiandien amžinybėj ilsisi.

Lietuvos Vyčiai, kurie buvo iš pirmo suorganizuoti kaip "Sakalais" 1913 metais mieste Lawrence, Massachusetts, įstojo savo visom pajėgom į Amerikos lietuvių gyvenimą. Lietuvos Vyčiai atkreipė dėmesį jaunų lietuvių studentų, veikėjų ir katalikų jaunuolių visose kolonijose Amerikoje.

Pirmose dienose, laisvamanių - taip vadinamų Šliūptarnių - vadai veikė užkliudyti augimą Lietuvos Vyčių: jie suprato, kad per Vyčius lietuvių jaunimas atsitrauks nuo laisvamanių įtakos. Laisvamaniai dirbo dėl savo jaunimo grupės. Taip ir įvyko, Lietuvos Vyčiai pradėjo augti katalikiškose parapijose, ir laisvamanių įtaka nusilpnėjo Amerikos lietuvių gyvenime.



Dalis L. Vių ekskursantų - Argentinoje, Pietų Amerikoje.



L.V. apdovanoti 4-tu Laipsniu per metinį seimą

Lietuvos Vyčių pulsas pagreitėjo 1915 metais kuomet Vyčių himnas pradėjo skambėti jų tarpe ir kuomet jų žurnalas, VYTIS, pasirodė.

Ką Lietuvos Vyčiai nuveikė per 60 metų? Jaunimą išlaikė katalikišku. Jaunimą išlaikė lietuvišku. Prisdėjo prie išlaikymo lietuvių kalbos Amerikoje. Išlaikė meilę tarpe Amerikos lietuvių jaunuolių dėl Lietuvos. Pravedė parapijose chorus. Pravedė labai plačiai sportą.

Per pirmutinį karą Lietuvos Vyčiai išsiilę dirbo dėl Lietuvos nepriklausomybės atgavimo. Jiems Lietuvos nepriklausomybė nebuvo kažkoks sapnas bei išmislas; jiems rūpėjo laisva Lietuva kur gyvena jų broliai lietuviai, kur jie liejo kraują dėl Lietuvos. Užtat, Lietuvos Vyčiai stojo į jungtinį darbą dėl Lietuvos išlaisvinimo po pirmojo didžiojo karo su Tautos Fondu, su Katalikų Federacija, ir su kitomis organizacijomis. Jie rašė laiškus Prezidentui Wilson, kad jis vestų Lietuvą iš nelaisvės; jie pirko Amerikos bonus, ir siuntė savo dukteris ir sūnus į Amerikos armiją. Pirmutinis Amerikos lietuvis, kuris žuvo pirmojo didžiojo karo laukuose Prancūzijoje buvo narys Lietuvos Vyčių - Pranas Zmuidinas, kuris buvo amžinai sužeistas gegužės 7-tą dieną, 1918 metais. Jis prigulėjo prie Lietuvos Vyčių kuopos Kingston, Pensylvanijoje.

Žinomas Lietuvos Vytis, Juozas Mickeliūnas, pravedė organizavimo darbą dėl Dariaus ir Girėno Amerikos legiono posto Chicagoje.

Lietuvos Vyčiai taipgi įstojo į Amerikos lietuvių gyvenimą garbingai su savo vadais, kaip: Matas Zujus, Kazys Pakštas, Leonardas Šimutis, Dr. Aleksandras Račkus, Vincas Rukštelis, Prelatas Ignas Albavičius, Kanauninkas Fabijonas Kemėšis, Patriarkas Morkūnas, Kompozitorius Aleksis, Ignas Sakalas, Domicelė Gustaitė (Doma Kamm), ir daugelis kitų.

Lietuvos Vyčiai veikia ir šiandien. Dėka jų mes šiandien švenčiame Švento Kazimiero dieną. Jie pasiryžę išlaikyti tradicijas ir veikimą Dievui ir Tėvynei.



L.V., Chicagos Jaunieji Šokėjai

Dėl Lietuvos Vyčių veikimo ateityje, norėčiau paptarti jiems labai svarbų užsimojimą. Tikiu, kad jų rankose, su pagalba lietuvių Amerikoje visuomenės vadų, galės šis užsimojimas pasisekusiai išsivystyti.

Savo kalboje iškeliau Amerikos lietuvių ateivybę, bei emigraciją. Yra rašoma, kad mažas būrelis lietuvių buvo čia Amerikos revoliucijos laikais. Buvo jų daugiau per civilinį karą. Daugiau atkeliavo į Ameriką po Lietuvoje sukilimo prieš Rusiją 1863 metais. Didžiojoje lietuvių pradėjo atvykti į Ameriką 1876 metais.

Tadgi, 1976 metais sukaks 100 metų, kai lietuviai būriais pradėjo atvykti į Ameriką.

Būtų labai gera, kad paminėjimas 100-to metų emigracijos iš Lietuvos į Ameriką būtų paruoštas su Lietuvos Vyčiais priekyje.

Te Vyčiai, kurie 60 metų gyvenimo Amerikoje buvo tampa susirišę ateivybėje, praveda planus dėl 100-to metų emigracijos sukakties.

Pirmiausia, tebūna sudarytas šiam tikslui rengimo komitetas iš žymių veikėjų iš visų lietuvių organiza-



Vidur-Atlanto Apskričio Komūnijos pusryčiai



Vyčiai Mazeikai (N.Y.) ir Laučkai (Washington) susitinka seime

cijų Amerikoje, kaip ateivių ir tremtinių, ir kurioje galėtų veikti tokie žymūs Amerikoje kaip Dick Butkus, Johnny Unitas, Jack Sharkey, Edward Krause iš Notre Dame universiteto, ir kiti plačiai pagarsėję Amerikos lietuviai.

Gerai sudaryti planai ir didis paminėjimas lietuvių emigracijos 100-to metų sukakties galėtų atkreipti dėmesį į lietuvius per visą Ameriką. Mums, tad, būtų proga parodyti ką lietuviai ateiviai ir jų sūnūs ir dukterys yra atidavę Amerikai.

Viena svarbiausia, gerai vykdomas komitetas galėtų išgauti iš Amerikos valdžios pašto departamento šimtmetinį lietuvių emigracijos pašto ženklą - a U.S. Postage Stamp commemorating the 100th anniversary of Lithuanian immigration to the United States. Arba: The Centennial Stamp of Lithuanian Immigration. Tokį yra gavę Amerikos švedai kuomet jie celebravo savo 300-tų metų imigraciją į Ameriką.

Tadgi, stokime į ateitį su darbais. Su Dievo pagalba, te Lietuvos Vyčiai gyvuoja!



Maldos Vyčių Seime

VITAMIN **A** FACTS

By TONY YUKNIS

The intake of vitamins A and D in excess of 150% of the Recommended Daily Allowances (RDA) has been declared a "drug" by Federal Drug Administration (FDA). The National Research Council's RDA is listed as 5,000 I.U. for vitamin A and 400 I.U. for D, which may be adequate for one individual and inadequate for another. Roger Williams, professor of biochemistry at the University of Texas, stated that because of the differences in each person's cellular makeup the vitamin requirements can vary for cellular nourishment. Nobel Prize winner Linus Pauling's research work has caused him to arrive at the same conclusion.

Elderly people were getting less than the RDA prescribed according to a survey conducted by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Half of them were getting less than 3,000 I. U. per day. Fuller protection against infections and better health would require a higher intake of A.

Epithial (skin) cells show their healthy state when adequate vitamin A is taken. It secretes a mucous antiseptic liquid that disinfects as it bathes the cells which line the inner membranes in the mouth, eyes, ear, nose, throat, bronchial tubes, lungs, kidneys and lower tracts. Lack of "A" results in poor vision, acne, boils, kidney or gall stones. The skin becomes rough and dry as the dandruff shows and fingernails break.

RESISTS INFECTIONS AND CANCER

A bigger than average intake of "A" will result in better health and resistance to membrane diseases, Dr. H. C. Sherman of Columbia University, claimed. He advises for the intake of four times the RDA (20,000 units) which might add ten years to your life.

Your stores of "A" are depleted during a prolonged infection like chronic bronchitis, Dr. H. Borsook wrote. The taking of massive doses will not arrest an established disease. Then a double amount should be taken to restore it. Since foods cannot do it alone he recommends the taking of vitamin supplements.

Vitamin A inhibited cancer, Dr. U. Saffiotti, a pathologist at the Chicago Medical School, reported to the Ninth International Congress in Tokyo. Experiments on hamsters gave evidence that the group of 60 hamsters which were mouth sprayed with benzopyrene (smoke and smog pollutant) all developed cancer. Out of the 53 subjects that were dosed with vitamin A and the pollutant only five out of 53 developed malignancies.

The amount limited by the FDA is adequate for daily intake, but it is hypocritical to brand vitamins, a food supplement, as potentially dangerous "drugs" while permitting poisons to be sold unrestricted. There has never been a fatal overdose of vitamins as there have been fatal overdoses of drugs. People have died from overdosage of alcoholic beverages, aspirin, sleeping pills, tobacco and other toxic medicines. The Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago has reported that 50 children per month are brought in poisoned from the home medicine cabinet. The leading offenders are the aspirin concoctions. About 500 fatalities are recorded from misuse of the home remedies. Therefore the FDA puts controls on the possible overdosage of vitamins, but not on the deadly medicine chest.

"D" AIDS CALCIUM ABSORPTION

Vitamin D is vital for the proper metabolism of calcium which builds solid bones and teeth. Calcium is needed for a healthy heart, supple muscles, for soothing the nerves, to prevent cramps. Foods containing oxalic acid (chocolate, cocoa, spinach, beets) prevent the absorption of calcium. Lack of "D" can result in soft bones as in the rickets disease. It is acquired from summer sunshine (not sunburn), cod or halibut liver oils. Other sources are irradiated milk and eggs.

Dr. Peter Goursa reported that an "A" deficiency is a cause of retinal degeneration. He treated two patients with clouded vision with 200,000 units of "A" at the National Institute of Arthritis and Metabolic Diseases in Washington. In a few days the patients were able to see clearly. During World War II fighter pilots were given "A" to keep their eyes sharp, to prevent night blindness.

LIVERS RICH IN "A"

Nutritionist Catharyn Elwood states that livers are the best sources of pure vitamin A. Calf liver contains about 8,400 units per 4 ozs., chicken liver has up to 28,800 units. Whole milk, eggs, butter and cheese are other good sources. Vegetables contain carotene which is converted in the system to "A". Some people cannot convert properly because of poor absorption or diabetes. Leafy greens have from 5,000 to 25,000 units per half a cup. Good sources are broccoli, parsley, turnips, apricots, carrots, yams.

LITHUANIANS IN THE NEWS



PROF. ALEKSIS HONORED

May 5th, Professor Alexander J. Aleksis was honored at an "OPEN HOUSE" testimonial and reception in recognition of his 50 years of devoted service as organist-choirmaster of St. Joseph's Lithuanian Church, music teacher and dedicated leader. For one-sixth of Waterbury's 300 years, Waterbury Lithuanians under Aleksis' leadership have indisputably helped contribute to the city's cultural and social growth.

Highlighting the testimonial program was the showing of a documentary film about Aleksis' extensive career by the Rev. A. Kezys, S.J., director of the Lithuanian Photo Library, Chicago, Ill. The film (in sound and color) featured many prominent personalities, vivid, interesting scenes of Warsaw, Chicago and Waterbury. The day's biggest "surprise" was the Very Rev. Msgr. Ladas Tulaba, P.A. who flew in from Rome, Italy to attend the festivities in tribute to his uncle.

Professor was particularly proud and happy to receive felicitations from the Knights of Lithuania, which organization he fondly calls his "first and lasting love". In April, Aleksis marked his 60th year as a K of L'er. Professor is the composer of our K of L anthem and is dean of our Honorary Members, which honor was conferred upon him (together with his great friend, the late, illustrious Canon Fabian Kemešis) in 1916. Professor's heartfelt "VYTIŠKAS AČIŪ" to the Supreme Council, the Ill.-Ind. District Choir, the New England District Executive Board,

Council 7 and others for their greetings and congratulations on his auspicious anniversary.

Needless to say, that through those six decades, Aleksis endeared himself and transmitted to the minds and hearts of countless numbers a profound attachment to Church, Society and Country. For promoting culture and patriotism, Aleksis was knighted with the Order of Gediminas by the Government of Free Lithuania on Feb. 16, 1938.

Garbingam Vyčiui jubilatui linkime dar daug šviešių, sveikų ir laimingų metų!

M.A.

Pictured are, l. to r.:

Rev. J. Vilciauskas, pastor; Prof. A. Aleksis, jubilarian; J. Samaska, testimonial chairman; Very Rev. Msgr. L. Tulaba, P.A., rector of St. Casimir Lithuanian College, Rome, Italy, Main Speaker.

Waterbury Republican Photo

LITHUANIAN LANGUAGE AT KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

The Lithuanian language is offered at Kent State University through the Critical Language Program. Three four-hour and three three-hour courses are available, which enable a student to accumulate 21 undergraduate hours. The Lithuanian courses fulfill the language requirements for the B.A. degree and for some of the B.S. degrees.

For those attending Kent State, the procedure for taking the courses is relatively simple. The first step is to take the routine language proficiency examination. This can be done at the Critical Language Office, 119 Bowman Hall. The examination takes about a half-hour and measures the ability of an individual to learn a foreign language. After taking the examination, the next step is to register for the course during the regular registration period.

For those who are not registered at Kent State University, it will be necessary to contact the Admissions Office, Rockwell Hall, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 44242. This office handles the initial paper work, which will admit the student. After this has been accomplished the student should simply follow the above procedure for those already attending Kent State University. For additional information write the Critical Language Office, 119 Bowman Hall, Kent State University, Kent Ohio 44242.



FATHER KUNDRAT OF DETROIT RESIGNS

Fr. Michael Kundrat, who for 19 years had been administrator and then pastor of Divine Providence church, home of Council 79, host of this year's National Convention, announced in June that he was leaving the parish to become pastor of a non-Lithuanian parish in Memphis, Michigan.

It came as a shock to his old friends, especially those in the Knights of Lithuania for it was Fr. Kundrat who gave Ralph Valatka and Anthony Dainus permission to revive the Knights at the suggestion of Bob Boris of Council 102, after some 35 years of inactivity.

Consequently Council 79 of Detroit (Southfield) and our current President and our Past Presidents are very grateful to Fr. Kundrat for long years of service to God and his parishioners, Lithuanian and non-Lithuanian, and to the Knights and wish him God's blessings in his new parish.

Ruth Grasha

Anthony Dainus

Joseph Kazlauskas

Frank Zager

Gerry Zager

OFICIALUS SKYRIUS

VYČIAI, DALYVAUKIME AMERIKOS LIETUVIŲ KONGRESE!

Amerikos Lietuvių Taryba, į kurią pilnateisium nariu įeina ir Lietuvos Vyčių organizacija, šaukia šiais metais Amerikos lietuvių kongresą. Kongresas bus rugsėjo 28 ir 29 dienomis Čikagoje, Pick-Congress viešbutyje.

Tokie kongresai įvyksta kas penkeri metai. Paskutinis buvo 1969-tais metais Detroite. Dalyvavo jame 253 atstovai, suvažiavę iš visų lietuviškų kolonijų nuo Atlanto iki Ramiojo vandenyno. Dalyvavo ir nemažai vyčių.

Amerikos lietuvių kongreso tikslas yra parodyti Amerikos visuomenei didelę lietuvių vienybę ir atkreipti pasaulio dėmesį į daromą Lietuvai skriaudą, į nelegaliai besitęsiančią jos okupaciją. Suvažiavę į kongresą Amerikos lietuviai pasijus besą vienos šeimos nariai, didelės ir garbingos šeimos, naujų jėgų pasisems, ir ryžto napailstamai kovoti už savo tėvų tėvynės greitesnį išlaisvinimą iš komunistinės priespaudos.

Mieli vyčiai, ir mes tai garbingai Amerikos lietuvių šeimai priklausome. Ir mes būkime ten, kur visi lietuviai renkasi. Parodykime, kad tebesame gyvi ir aktyvūs lietuviškuose reikaluose. Iš visų miestų rinkimės į Čikagą rugsėjo 27-tą. Gausiai dalyvaukime Amerikos lietuvių kongrese.

Aleksandras Pakalniškis
Vyčių atstovas ALT'os valdyboje

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ORGANIZACIJOS JUBILIATĖ -

a.a. TEKLĖ NORBŪTIENĖ

I. Sakalas



Šių metų balandžio 27 d. amžinybėn iškeliavo a.a. Tekla Norbut. Paskutines gyvenimo šioj žemėj dienas ji leido pas savo ištekėjusią dukrą, gyvenančią Chicago priemiestyje - Niles, Ill. Amžinatvėn buvo pašaukta savaitgalyje (šeštadienį mirė, iki pirmadienio mažai kam buvo žinoma, o palaidota antradienį), tokiu būdu nebuvo progos nei per spaudą, nei per radijus paskelbti visuomenei liūdną žinią.

Velionė buvo viena pavyzdinčiausių narių ilgoj eilėj katalikiškųjų draugijų, brolių, socialinių klubų ir mokslo bei švietimo įstaigų rėmėjų, organizacijų. Ypatingai buvo pamylėjusi Lietuvos Vyčių organizaciją. Jaunystėje gyvas sidabras buvo 13-toj kuopoj (Šv. Kryžiaus parapijoj), vėliau persikėlė ir iki mirties veikė 36-toj kuopoj (Nekalto Prasidėjimo Šv. Mergelės Marijos parapijoj), o 1946 metais įsteigus vyčių sendraugių kuopą čia taip pat buvo aktyvi savo amžiaus narių eilėje. Buvo puiki šeimininkė-virėja - kulinarijos meno žinovė, specialistė. Retas Ill.-Ind. apskrities, 36-tos kuopos ar sendraugių parengimas Vyčių salėj ar kur kitur apsėjo be jos patarnavimo už mažą atlyginimą arba visiškai nemokamai, kad tik rengėjams liktų daugiau pelno. Dažnai

net po apskrities, kuopos ar sendraugių susirinkimo atstovai ir svečiai nemokamai vaišinosi jos lėšomis patiektu užkandžiu, ir visuomet su šypsena veide. Buvo dosni ir aukomis organizacijos religiniams ir tautiniams reikalams.

Kai kas sako (gal ir teisingai), kad ilgas ir nelengvas darbas virtuvėje parengimuose ir susirinkimuose pakirto jos kojų sveikatą. Ilgokai gydėsi, bet kojų jėgos visėjo silpnyn. Kai šių metų suruoštam Šv. Kazimiero minėjime buvo pagerbti ir Centro pažymėjimais apdovanoti nariai, organizacijoje išbuvę 50 metų, velionė į salę buvo dukros atvežta, o iššaukta pažymėjimui priimti jau sunkiai dirbtinėms kojoms palaikyti priemonėmis priėjo prie garbės stalo. Visa salė sukilo ir gausiais plojimais jai reiškė pagarbos ir užuojautos.

Velionės meilę Lietuvos Vyčių organizacijai rodo šis, paskutinis faktas: priėjus prie slenksčio į amžinatvę, atsisveikindama su dukromis ir jų šeimomis, o vyčiams tardama paskutinį sudiev, sendraugių vardu Vyčių namo reikalams paaukojo \$300.

Sendraugiai ne tik už velionės sielą užprašė Mišias, bet savo susirinkime birželio 16 d. nutarė metinėse jos išvykimo amžinatvėn suruošti dvasinį prisiminimą.

IN MEMORIAM

Please remember in
your prayers ...

ROSE SADAUSKAS

Member of Cleveland, Ohio Seniors
Wife of Honorary Member,
Joseph Sadauskas
Died June 8, 1974

MATAS SIMONIS

Member of C-102
Detroit, Michigan
Died June 1974

POVILAS DIRKIS

Member, Chicago, Ill. Seniors
Regular Vytis Writer
Died July 7, 1974

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K of L Building Fund Reception - Addressing the assembled guests are: John G. Evans, seated Mrs. Mary Srupsa and Consul General Josephine Dauz-

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NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

A MEMORIAL PRAYER SERVICE AT THE CATHEDRAL OF THE PINES

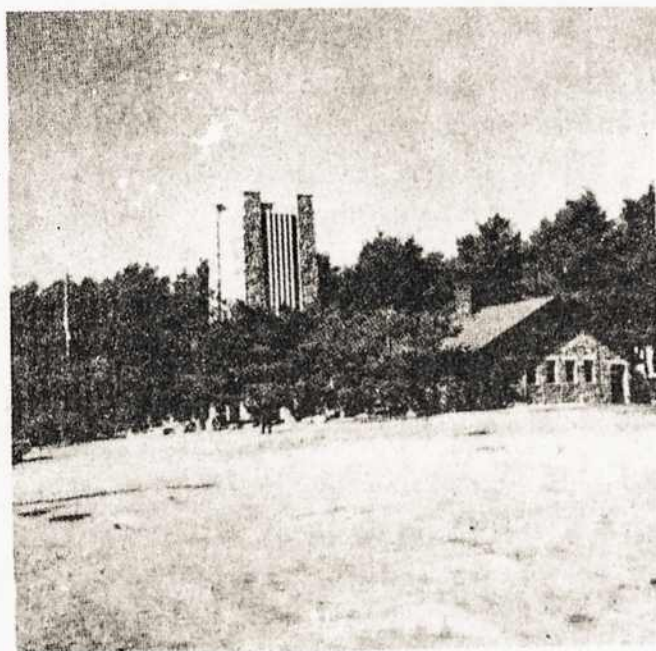
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Although for the second year the weather did not cooperate, the N.E. Dist. sponsored a successful Memorial Prayer Service at the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, N.H. on May 26 at 5 P.M.

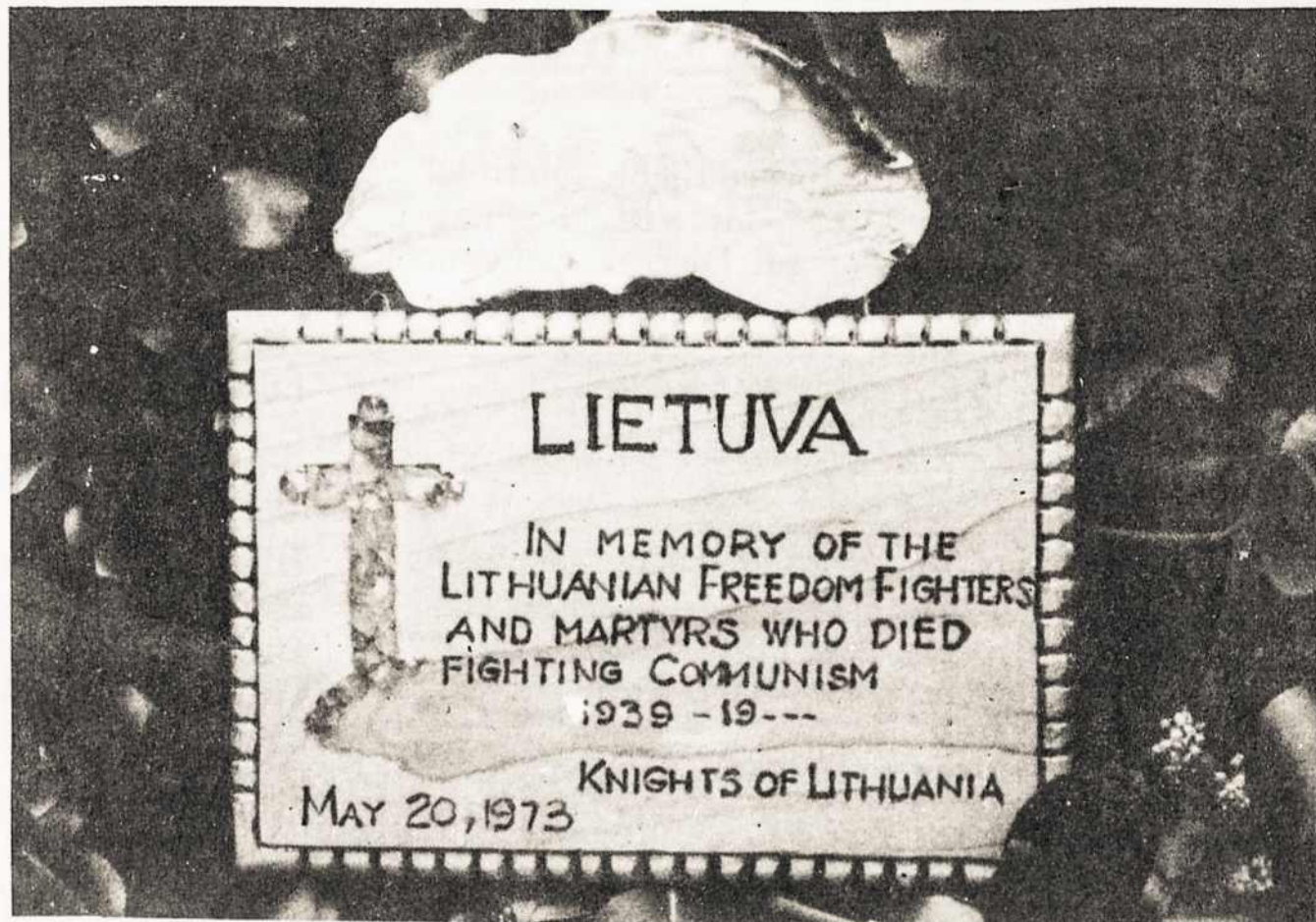
Over 300 Baltic people - Lithuanians, Latvians, Estonians - gathered together at the beautiful outdoor altar with their clergy to honor those people who died fighting for freedom from the Soviet yoke.

The committee for this event consisted of Rev. Albin F. Janiunas, Chairman, Associate Pastor of St. Peter's Lithuanian Church in So. Boston and N.E.D. Spiritual Advisor, Albert Jaritis and Longinas Svelnis. Rev. Janiunas is to be commended for the fine program he arranged.

Each nationality had a contingent and clergy who said a prayer and homily followed by a hymn. The musical accompaniment was provided by St. Andrew's Lithuanian Church Choir, Mr. John



Cathedral of the Pines - Building on right holds the Amber Stone - Building on left is the Womens Tower.



A K of L gift to the Cathedral... carving by Vaclovas Senuta, Amber donated by Dr. & Mrs. Peter Bizinkauskas.

Beinoris, Choir Director and organist of New Britain, Conn.; Karlis Grinbergs, baritone; and Latvian organist Dr. Ingrida Gutbergs.

The clergy led by Rev. Albin Janiunas were Rev. Albert Contons, pastor of St. Margaret's Church, Beverly, Mass. and Nat'l. Spiritual Advisor; Rev. Juris Pudans of Albany, N.Y. Diocese; Rev. Nikolojs Ozols, Pastor of the Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Mission Congregation, Jamaica Plain, Mass.; and Mr. Jaak Juhansoo, speaker for the Estonian congregation.

The Procession was led by flag bearers John Olevitz, Frederick Hirst, William Wisnauskas, Leo

Shakalis and a member of the Latvian Community.

After closing words by Rev. Janiunas, the congregation sang the National Anthems of each Baltic State and United States. The Latvian community should be thanked for their fine turnout, able clergy and musical accompanists. The Estonian Community which is small in the New England area was ably represented by Mr. Juhansoo.

N.E.D. Lithuanian Affairs Committee Chairman Frederick Hirst translated a Lithuanian prayer into the three Baltic languages which was distributed to all.

Our thanks to all who participated in this event.

WE MAKE a living by what we get—we make a life by what we give.

MIDWEST BOWLING TOURNAMENT RESULTS



C-96 would like to extend a sincere thank you to all those who participated in the Midwest Bowling Tournament and the Mid-Central District Convention. We hope all participants had an enjoyable weekend as guests of C-96.

The following is a list of the 1974 trophy winners:

1ST PLACE TEAM

Georgia Petroski
Dave Petroski
Patty Dutcher
Steve Kolakowski
Denny Noreikas (Captain)

LADIES INDIVIDUAL TROPHIES

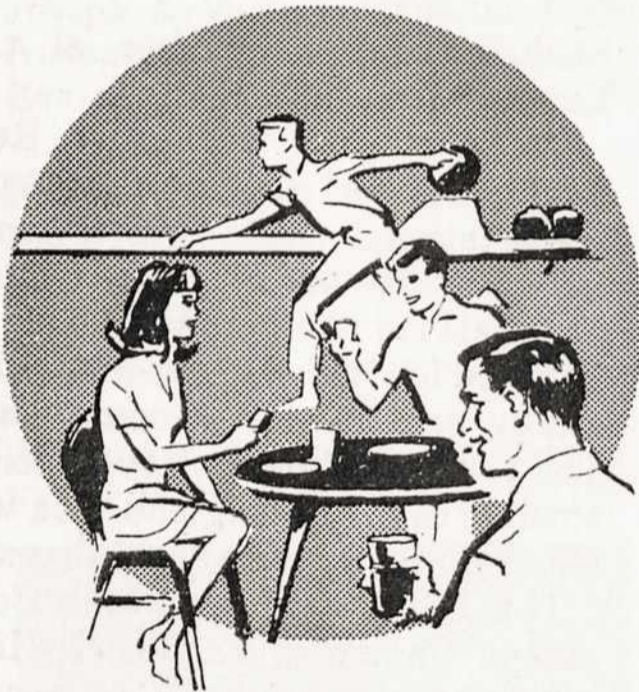
High Game (Actual) Evy Galinas (202)
High Game (H dep) Georgia Petroski (248)
High Series (Actual) Evy Galinas (571)
High Series (H dep) Georgia Petroski (652)
Low Series (Actual) Betty August (266)

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL TROPHIES

High Game (Actual) John Wasse (234)
High Game (Hdcp) Ted Super (266)
High Series (Actual) Al Kachinski (598)
High Series (Hdcp) Al Kachinski (694)
Low Series (Actual) Rick Noreikas (277)

DAYTON, OHIO

MAY 17-18-19, 1974



(Report compiled by
John A. Berczelly and
Dennis Noreikas)

COMPLETE TEAM STANDINGS

| PLACE | TOTAL PINS | COUNCIL | CITY | CAPTAIN |
|-------|------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|
| 1 | 3099 | C-96 | Dayton | D. Noreikas |
| 2 | 3027 | C-102 | Detroit | B. Crumblet |
| 3 | 3010 | C-112 / C-36 | Chicago | A. Raubiskis |
| 4 | 3008 | C-25 | Cleveland | E. Andrusis |
| 5 | 2995 | C-25 | Cleveland | A. Shigo |
| 6 | 2991 | C-102 | Detroit | M. Wagster |
| 7 | 2987 | C-79 | Detroit | J. Leconis |
| 8 | 2977 | C-96 | Dayton | S. Bakanauskas |
| 9 | 2973 | C-79 | Detroit | R. Stanulis |
| 10 | 2951 | C-96 | Dayton | E. Sluzas |
| 11 | 2949 | C-139 | Detroit | W. McKenzie |
| 12 | 2943 | C-96 | Dayton | R. Conrady, Sr. |
| 13 | 2940 | C-79 | Detroit | J. Petroski |
| 14 | 2907 | C-79 | Detroit | F. Petroski |
| 15 | 2902 | C-79 | Detroit | R. Lucas |
| 16 | 2890 | C-25 | Cleveland | N. Arunski |
| 17 | 2882 | C-139 | Detroit | A. Kurpowic |
| 18 | 2879 | C-96 | Dayton | M. Tokarsky |
| 19 | 2879 | C-79 | Detroit | A. Tamasiunas |
| 20 | 2864 | C-79 | Detroit | E. Sackle |
| 21 | 2857 | C-102 | Detroit | G. Kayganich |
| 22 | 2840 | C-96 | Dayton | J. Scott |
| 23 | 2834 | C-96 | Dayton | C. Petkus |
| 24 | 2821 | C-19 | Pittsburgh | A. Rozger |
| 25 | 2810 | C-96 | Dayton | K. Ambrose |
| 26 | 2802 | C-79 | Detroit | B. Nevin |
| 27 | 2662 | C-19 | Pittsburgh | E. Aleshunas |

Vyčiai Veikia



Council Activities

Edited by: Mrs. J. Zukas, 9 Charles Street, Port Washington, L. I., N. Y. - 11050



MID-CENTRAL

DISTRICT

MID-CENTRAL DISTRICT
ANNUAL MEETING

MAY 18 - 20, 1974

At last October's meeting the suggestion to hold the Mid-Central Dist. Meeting in conjunction with the annual Mid-West Bowling Tournament turned out to be a happy decision. More members were in attendance this year than for many previous years!

After the meeting was opened with prayers by Father Walter Katarskis, opening remarks were given by Elinor Sluzas, President of Host C-96 and by Pete Luiza, President of the Mid-Central District. Both were pleased with the grand turnout, and a good spirit prevailed throughout the meeting.

Reports of activities of the various councils were given by their Presidents. A few of the highlights from these reports follow. The Ritual Committee Chairman, Stan Vaitkus, reported there were eight members being processed for Degrees, and twelve others checked out for 4th and 3rd Degrees from Cleveland and Dayton. Vice-Pres. Grace Vaskelis announced that a contest was being held to encourage Junior councils, since at present there is only one in the District - in Dayton, which is a very active one.

The President asked that all councils send in their dues as soon as possible. The meeting date was moved up to May instead of October. The members voted to raise the dues for the District to \$15.00 per year.

C-96 reported that 92 members were present at the dinner at which their election of officers took place. An unusual event for their council this year was a Christmas Bazaar in which items, other than Lithuanian, were included. Their council also participated in the International Fair held in Dayton under the direction of one of their members, Aldona Ryan. Their May crowning ceremony is always an event reserved for their Junior Council with the President, if a girl, being the May Queen. If the President is not a girl, the next girl officer in line receives the honor.

C-102, Detroit, announced they would be Host Council for this year's National Convention in Detroit in August.

C-25, Cleveland Seniors acted as hosts on the committee to welcome the Pittsburgh visitors, led by Dr. John Cadzow, who came to visit the new Lithuanian Center and to attend the ceremonies of the Lithuanian Boy Scouts.

Councils were reminded that they should have been having affairs to benefit the District Scholarship Fund's Donation to the Supreme Council. After some discussion as to whether the District should continue to do so - since all the councils contribute individually - it was decided to continue the same procedure as before. Donations were decided upon and acted on by the group for the Scholarship Fund, the raising of the Council

dues to the District, and the acceptance of a full-page ad for the National Convention Book.

Irene Sankus was present at this meeting representing the Supreme Council. She suggested that all the members go back to their councils and URGE their qualified members to attend the National Convention and to be prepared to run for various offices in Supreme Council. The members took this opportunity to ask Irene to take back to Supreme Council the request that fewer panels be scheduled for National Conventions as a rule.

C-19, Pittsburgh, reported an unusual event in their Council this year. Vyto Jucius who has the "Echoes of Lithuania Radio Program" was contacted by TV Station WTAE to participate in a panel and cultural program of Lithuania. The station is starting a series of ethnic programs, and we were among the first to be asked. Vyto brought the matter to the attention of his C-19 members, and a program was worked out in about one month's time! Dr. John Cadzow, Sister Francesca, Vyto Jucius, Father Karaveckas and William Kolicus were the members from C-19 on the panel, and Marlene Aglinskas from the Saturday morning Lithuanian classes held at St. Casimir Parish was the sixth panelist. The Neris group of dancers led by Marlene Aglinskas performed two dances, and a group of singers led by Sister Francesca sang two folk songs. Among the K of L members in the singing group were Anne and Sam Allalunis, Eleanor Aleliunas and Mildred Chinik, with Vyto Jucius accompanying on the accordion.

The Mid-Central District will be sponsoring a Religious Pilgrimage in late September or early October. Mary Trainey from C-25 in Cleveland will be making the arrangements.

The President of C-19 presented officially to the Mid-Central Dist. a Resolution to present Albinas Onaitis for the Honorary Degree, also submitting Al's biography. The Ritual Chairman, Stan Vaitkus sent the Resolution and the Biography to the Supreme Ritual Committee.

The Mid-Central Dist. went on record to present a Resolution to the Supreme Council that Juniors should get points that would be applied to regular council membership, and, also, that the point system for Juniors should be clarified.

The results of the election of officers for 1974-1975 follows:

Spiritual Director - Father Walter Katarskis

Pres. - Elinor Sluzas

1st Vice Pres. - Ruth Grasha

2nd Vice Pres. - Grace Vaskelis

Treas. - Mildred Chinik

Recording Secy. - Sally Miller

Trustees - Victor August, Albina Kurpowic, Anne Allalunis

Vytis Correspondent - Mildred Chinik

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES:

Ritual - Stan Vaitkus

Lithuanian Affairs - Alice Petkus

Catholic Action - Mary Trainey

Public Relations - Joseph Sadauskas

Cultural Committee - Mary Lucas

Sergeant-at-Arms - Andy Rozger

Just before closing the meeting with prayer, Father Katarskis suggested we sing "Laimingu Metu" to Vyto Jucius, C-19 member who had just recently been honored by Pittsburghers at a very successful Testimonial Dinner with over 200 in attendance.

No meetings are entirely successful without all the social functions which accompany them, and

this combination Bowling Tournament and Mid-Central Dist. Meeting was no exception. The largest contingent of members came from Detroit in two bus-loads, and from the size of the crowd, we almost resembled a National Convention! The Friday night get-together was buzzing with groups of friends catching up on all the news and "social gossip". The brunch on Saturday morning started everyone out for the day on the right track - lots of good food.

In the bowling tournament 27 teams competed, with Detroit and Dayton teams taking most of the honors - team-wise, score-wise and money-wise! Saturday night the members enjoyed dinner on their own at a spot of their own choosing, and the dance later was the hot spot in town with everyone having a good time.

Mass in the morning in Dayton's lovely Lithuanian Church and the Banquet afterwards with many Lithuanian dishes featured - borsch, virtiniai, kugelis - was delicious, with Dayton's famous Mary Lucas in charge. Everyone went home with the feeling - "Boy, that was a great weekend!" Now that all returned home, safe and sound, with a lot of happy good times and memories, we'll all start looking forward to next year's combination Bowling Tournament and District Meeting in Pittsburgh.

Mildred Chinik

C-96 - DAYTON, OHIO

The annual May crowning was held on Mother's Day. Linda Petkus, Jr. Vice-Pres., had the honor of placing the wreath on our Blessed Mother. Mary A. Mikalauska accompanied the Jrs with her guitar as they sang the Mass. Our Jrs did the readings and were the Offering Bearers. Members received the Blessed Sacrament in a body dedicating the Mass to our Lady, our living and deceased mothers. Following Mass the Jrs served a continental breakfast to

their parents and council members. Gifts were presented and a program followed. To all the Jrs and their Advisors, Eloise Berczelly and Sarah Petkus, we extend a Big Thank You!

We couldn't believe it! But it did happen! We had the largest turnout for a bowling tournament in Dayton's history. 27 Teams participated during the weekend of May 17-19 with over 120 bowlers and guests. Our youth in the council, chairman and co, John A. Berczelly and Dennis Noreikas, got the ball rolling. The rest of the 'Jet Set' and us 'oldsters' tied it up which made for a good working committee.

To Betty and Frank Petroski from C-79 who organized and had a bus-load of Detroiters 'hailed' into Dayton... to the Detroiters who drove down... to Chuck and Jodi Stepp and Ray and Terry Medonis whom we haven't seen in years... to Vince Boris, much luck during your stay in Germany... to Barbara Klevinsky, Stan Vaitkus' cousin from Chicago, who surprised us... to Irene Sankus and the Chicago members who made the trip... to all our faithful members and friends from Cleveland and Pittsburgh who made the journey... AČIŪ LABAI! ALL OF YOU made the work worth the effort to put the weekend together.

With a second foot on the Traveling trophy, congratulations to the winning team - Dennis Noreikas, captain, Dave and Georgia Petroski, Patty Dutcher and Steve Kolakowski, Dayton.

The Mid-Central Dist. Convention was also held during that weekend. We congratulate Fr. Walter Katarskis, Sp. Adv.; Elinor Sluzas, Pres.; Sally Miller, Rec. Sec'y.; Alice Petkus, Lith. Affairs; Mary Lucas, Cultural; Stan Vaitkus, Ritual chmn. May their year ahead in District work be successful.

The International World A'fair was held the weekend of May 30 - June 1, 2 at the new Dayton Convention Center. Our council member Aldona Ryan was coordinator

for the entire affair. Elinor Sluzas was chairman of the ten booths the Lithuanians had in their display area. To say the affair was a success would be an understatement. The public turnout was overwhelming. Everyone in attendance came away with nothing but a warm feeling to see all nationalities blend and glow with pride of their heritages. At the June meeting Aldona and Elinor were given a standing ovation from the council members for their efforts.

We were complimented with a bus-load of Knights and their friends from Pittsburg to attend the A'Fair. Much thanks to Anne Aleshunas for her efforts.

June 8 was our Friday night bowling league banquet-cookout at Jim and Joan Kavalauskas' home. First place team was manned by Jerry Scott, Dennis Noreikas, Joan Kavalauskas, Eloise Berczelly and Sue Mantz. Individual awards went to HA - Joan Kavalauskas; HGHC - Eleanor Mantz; HSA - Fran Petkus; HSHc - Chris Mantz; LGA - Sue Mantz; LSA - Bea Noreikas. For the men, HA-D - Noreikas; HGHC - Charles Petkus; HSA - J. A. Berczelly; HSHc - Frank Ambrose; LG - Ray Gečas; LS - Ed Sluzas. Rick Noreikas had a surprise "44". Congratulations to all! A special "Thank You" to the bowling committee, Jim and Joan for the use of their home, 'cold dip' and all. Luck to Joan who has volunteered to take on the council league for 1974-75 season.

June 9 was the first family picnic of the season. Liquid refreshments were served by the council with members bringing their own dinner/supper baskets. Thanks to John A. Berczelly and Walter Lastoskas for setting everything up, and to Stan Kavy for getting the cabin. Fun was the word!

Joe Gečas put many hours into building us a new trophy case in the church hall. It is beautiful! Others on the committee were Stan Vaitkus, Joe Ryan and Ray Gecas. A warm "welcome back" to Casimir and Ruth Walusis, and a warm welcome to our newest

member, Victor Lisankis. Active years ahead. Good to see Al and Margie Grushas at the May meeting. They have a 40-mile drive, one way, to make a meeting!

Congratulations to Anne Louise Conrady on her graduation from HS. Anne will continue her studies at Wright State U., Dayton. Congratulations, too, to Larry and Elaine Pacovsky on the birth of their second son. This makes Mary Lucas a grandmother for the fourth time.



C-96, Dayton, Ohio
ANNE LOUISE CONRADY

Good to see John J. Berczelly back on his feet again. Ida Kavy and Janina Bucmys are doing well after recent surgery. Good to see Judy Petrokas' smiling again after her recent illness. Maxine Bakanauskas is thankful her car accident was not any more serious than it was. A car ran a red light and hit her car in the side-rear.

The Jrs had a good time at a cook-out at the home of Walter and Mary Lou Lastoskas on June 26. Home made ice cream and all!

Second Degrees were awarded to Elinor Sluzas, Joe and Eugenia Gečas, John A. Berczelly and Frank Ambrose at the June meeting. Congratulations.

Our sympathies to Sarah Petkus on the loss of her mother, and to

Steve Mikalas on the loss of his grandmother. We pray their souls are at peace.

Albina Wallis has volunteered to reactivate our Historian Project. Great! Did you know that Aldona Ryan made and donated the Lithuanian Flag that was on display during Dayton's International Festival Week? Did anyone hear that Aldona and Fran Vangas set up a Lithuanian Display at a recent International Show at Kiser HS?

Congratulations to Julius Rastikis, Sr. who has the distinction of celebrating 25 years as organist for Holy Cross Parish!

Fr. Walter treated the members on the occasion of his birthday following the July meeting. We also celebrated Albina Wallis' great "expectation"!

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MID-ATLANTIC
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C-100 - AMSTERDAM, N.Y.

Peter Hayes played host at our regular meeting held May 13. President Radzevich advised the group about his trip to Brockton, Mass. where he attended the Supreme Council sessions, and also his participation at the N.E. Dist. Conv. held in Boston.

The members voted to donate \$25. to the K of L Scholarship Fund. Our thanks to Gene Gobis who volunteered to contact all members for the June 16 outing held at Dr. & Mrs. Adam Kindar's place in Galway, N.Y.

Very Rev. Baltch asked the members to attend church services on May 24 for Oppressed Lithuania. (A good percentage came, most of whom were choir members). Father Baltch held the Mass with Father Grigaitis assisting.

The services were in Lithuanian. The singing of the litany to the Blessed Mother in Lithuanian brought back memories of the May devotions held on Wednesday and Friday nights and Sunday afternoons... way back when...

The Church Festival was held on June 21-22. Members who took care of the K of L booth included Ann Sweet, Helen Radzevich, Sadie Karbus, Frances Bobines and Gene Gobis.

General Chairman for the Mid-Atlantic Dist. Convention to be held in Amsterdam on Oct. 13 will be Joseph Valikonis; Co-Chairmen are Ginny Miciulis and Gene Gobis.

On June 8, Very Rev. Robert K. Baltch celebrated his 25th jubilee in the priesthood. During the offertory, Sophie Olbie and Nellie Liberis represented the K of L, bringing the Lithuanian Wayside Cross to the altar. Assisting at the reception were Peter Hayes, Ed Liberis, Joe Shatas and Bill Liberis.

Attending the National Convention as delegates were Ed Barauskas, Ann and Tony Radzevich, Sadie and Charles Karbus, Gene Gobis. "Possible" delegates were Mary Stanionis and Betty Kuzmich.

Milton and Isabelle (Dopkus) McKinley of Ridgefield, N.J., were visitors to Amsterdam over Memorial Day Weekend. Gene Gobis brought her up-to-date on K of L activities. Isabelle met Sister Angela of C-116, Regina Hartvigas, Mary Stanionis, and Betty Kuzmich.

The Blessing of monuments took place immediately after Memorial Day services at the cemetery. Father Baltch blessed the late Prof. Olsauskas' monument. Present at the ceremonies were Jonas Hartvigas, Regina and Leonard Hartvigas, Isabelle and Milton McKinley, Sister Angela and Gene Gobis.

Sophie Olbie vacationed in Florida, visiting in St. Petersburg and Daytona Beach.

SMILE & SPARKLE

C-12 - NEW YORK, N.Y.

On May 19 our members, as usual, assisted at the Annual Spring Fundraising Dinner of Our Lady of Vilnius Church. This year, prior to the dinner, a C-12 committee took on the additional chore of painting the kitchen closets and organizing the locker room supplies. Our thanks to the hard-working team of Millie Pietz, Mickalina Baltadonis, Anna Luksha, Helen Matthews, Joe Kscenaitis and Albert Yatkauskas for a job well done.

Heard through the grapevine that Millie Pietz is heading cross country for a Western Americana vacation trip. We all wish her a happy and safe journey.

Outstanding plans are in progress for our council's 60th Anniversary. Chairman of the event, Larry Janonis, is currently coordinating a committee for the Dinner-Dance in November.

Wishing all a Happy and Restful Summer.

Liberty Lady

C-29 - NEWARK, N.J.

On May 7 our council had services for suffering Lithuania in Holy Trinity Church. Our pastor and spiritual director, Msgr. John J. Scharnus, officiated. There was the recitation of the Rosary and Benediction of the most Blessed Sacrament. A good attendance was on hand. After services, parishioners present were invited to the parish hall where coffee and cake were served, and Msgr. Scharnus showed slides of the Eucharistic Congress held a few years ago in Australia.

At the May meeting, the following received ritual 1st Degrees: Vitalis Zukauskas, Msgr. John J. Scharnus, Regina Melinis, Mr. & Mrs. Clem Bagdonavicius, Catherine Loveikas, Agnes Stankunas and Ann O'Neill. 2nd Degrees were bestowed on Rev. Joseph Barkus, OSB, and Valentinas Melinis. Ritual Chairman Mary Stonis was assisted by Pres. Kazys Sipaila.

We held our last meeting on June 23 in the parish hall before the summer recess. It was a well attended session. Mary Stonis, Chairman of our council's Dinner-Dance to be held Oct. 12, reported that tickets were available for the event. Adele Urban, Religious Chairman, gave a reading on prayer. Frank Vaskas gave a report dealing with the Bicentennial Commemoration of the U.S.

Congratulations and best wishes to Eva & Walter Sharon on their 31st wedding anniversary, and to Mr. & Mrs. Walter Brazaitis on their 32nd. Our council has another \$100. lifetime member, Jane Gaubas. Sveikiname!

Msgr. John J. Scharnus was one of the concelebrants of Mass in Sacred Heart Cathedral in Newark in June, when Bishop Peter Leo Getety, formerly of Portland, Me., was installed as third Archbishop of the Newark Archdiocese. The new Archbishop had requested that each parish send 4 representatives to the Cathedral ceremonies, and afterward those taking part were to be guests at luncheon that followed. Our parish was represented in laity ranks by K of L members Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Yewaisis. Mary Stonis also took part, carrying the gifts of Mass at the offertory. It was indeed an honor for our parish, as it marked the first time it was represented in an historical event in the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Msgr. Scharnus represented the Lithuanian parishes in our area.

The Wanderer

EDITOR'S NOTE:

For the first time in many years, Frank Vaskas was unable to attend the National Convention. Frank had his third mugging in five years, - and later entered St. Michael's Hospital in Newark on July 21 for an operation on his eyes, cataract removal. The doctors have advised him to have a much-needed rest and to take it easy for the remainder of the year. We send our love and best wishes to Frank, and pray for his speedy and complete recovery. We'll miss you and will be thinking of you.

ILLINOIS-INDIANA

DISTRICT



The Mid-West Bowling Tournament hosted by C-96 Dayton was a very successful affair. The Daytonians were most gracious hosts and made the weekend one to remember. Širdingai aciū for making us feel so welcome.

Congratulations to C-112's team which placed third: Al Raubiskis, Irene Sankus, Al Kachinkas, Algis Skudra and C-36 Helen Skudra.

Two more trophies were added to Al Kachinkas' collection, - one for Hi-Series Scratch and the other for Hi-Series Handicap.

Ed Krivickas and Barbara Klevinsky, C-112'ers, bowled with the Detroit and Cleveland teams. Barbara's investment in bowling shoes was most beneficial to her bowling scores/

Due to the diligence of co-chairwomen Julie Zakarka and Jean Janula and their excellent committee, a most successful Rummage Sale was held on May 3-4. The profit realized was marvelous and the Building Fund is off to a great start. Another Rummage Sale will be held Oct. 5 under the auspices of the Building Trustees.

The Building Fund Committee consists of Algerd Brazis, Chairman; Irene Sankus, Secy.; Leon Pauksta, Treas.; John Evans, Estelle Rogers, Vince Samaska, Adeline Jasaitis, Al Zakarka and Frank Zapolis. Their first project was a Cocktail Party which was held on May 15 at the Bldg.

It was very gratifying to see so many people who are interested in our cause. Our heartiest thanks to all for their donations.

Many thanks to Dolores Yuknis, Irene Sankus, Vince Samaska, Julie Zakarka, John Evans and



Illinois-Indiana District Picnic held at the K of L Bldg. and Garden on July 4th -

Upper Left: Committee members Estelle Rogers, Irene Sankus and Leon Pauksta with Consul General Josephine Dauzvardis. Lower Left: Dance Contest judges Stanley Molis, Frank Zapolis, Leon Pauksta, polka winners Rich Janik and Alice Tomczak, Dr. L. Leonas, Sue Krause and Charles Stephens. Upper Right: Paula Skudra with parents, Algis and Helen.

Albina Gaides who graciously provided hors d'oeuvres and cakes. Also to Wally Tenclinger, whose music added so much to the evening.

The quarterly business meeting was held on June 5. Convention delegates were selected, resolutions drawn up, and possible candidates were discussed. Plans for summer activities were on the agenda, also. Councils reported on their activities. The Choir and Junior Dance Group continue to publicize the K of L name at various functions.

Our sincerest condolences to the family of Tekle Norbut, C-36 and Seniors, who passed away. May she rest in peace.

Hoosier
C-112 - CHICAGO, ILL.

Council Board meetings continue to serve as a sounding board for the officers and the place where many councils plans are made. Hosts for the April meeting were Harry & Emily Petraitis, June meeting, Estelle Rogers and July meeting, Ruth & Al Dagus. The May meeting was held at the K of L Bldg.

A social evening was held on April 20 at the Matt Iglers Restaurant where council members and friends enjoyed dinner and the entertaining waiters; Julie Zakarka arranged the event.

Due to the efforts of a very hard-working committee, headed by Jean Janula and Julie Zakarka, the IID's 1st Rummage Sale was most successful. Many council members were among the workers and donors. Proceeds from the sale went to the K of L Bldg. The next Rummage Sale will be held on Oct. 5., and again council members will be among the workers.

To show their support of the Balzekas Museum of Lithuanian Culture, its Women's Guild and the Guild's President, Dell Zunas, many ladies of council participated in the Guild's annual Spring Luncheon on May 11 at the Sheraton Inn-Oak Lawn. Guest speaker, Mrs. Ralph Newman spoke on The General's Lady - Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant.

Due to rising operating and maintenance costs, the K of L Bldg. has been in dire financial straits for some time and at a meeting of the IID, a special Fund-

raising committee was formed: Honorary Chairman Consul General Josephine Dauzvardis; Chairman Al Brazis; Secy. Irene Sankus; Treas. Leon Pauksta; other council committee members - John G. Evans, Gediminas Janula, Adeline Jasaitis, Al Mockus, Stanley Molis, Harry Petraitis, Estelle Rogers & Al Zakarka. The initial fund-raising event was a special Cocktail Reception held at the K of L Bldg., on May 15. The evening was most successful, socially and monetarily. All are to be congratulated for their efforts.

At Mid-West Bowling Tournament, hosted by C-96 of Dayton, our council was represented by Al Skudra, Al Raubiskis, Irene Sankus, Al Kachinskis, Ed Krivickas, Barbara Klevensky, and Helen Skudra of C-36. Congratulations to our team members for winning 3rd place in the tourney.

June 14 a wreath-laying ceremony was held at Chicago's Civic Center at the Eternal Flame commemorating the June tragedies of the Captive Baltic Nations - Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia. John G. Evans was a member of the Captive Nation's Committee.

At the last Supreme Council meeting, held in Detroit and hosted by C-79, Natl. Treasurer Irene Sankus and council veep Eddie Krivickas joined with other S.C. officers and chairmen for a most productive meeting. Both Irene and Eddie enjoyed the tour of Divine Providence facilities, conducted by Frank Petroski, and wish Father Kundrot success on his new assignment. They were the guests of Grazina Vaskelis and were entertained by her, "Acie" Byrne and other Detroiters. Their only regret was missing the C-102 pool party honoring Joe Guerriero.

Congratulations to all of the Amber Ball debutantes and especially to Marcia Evans, daughter of John G. Evans, and to Linda Savickas, daughter of State Senator Frank Savickas. The event was held on June 22 at the Conrad Hilton Hotel. Many of our

members were in attendance at the event.

Our quarterly Communion Sunday was held on June 30 at Nativity B.V.M. Church with brunch following at Rich Shlaustas' Diamondhead Restaurant.

The IID's annual July 4th picnic was held on a sunny day at the K of L Bldg. & Garden. The event again was most successful and well attended. Among the council members that served as committee members and workers were: Leon Pauksta, Irene Sankus, Al Raubiskis, Gerry Mack, Ed Krivickas, Adeline Jasaitis, Al Brazis, Julie & Al Zakarka, Sophie Nieminski, Gediminas Janula, Barbara Klevinsky, Estelle Rogers, Monica Kasper, Albina Gaides, Eleanore Laurin, Al Matulis. Our thanks to Helen Pauksta, Adele Sankus and Adeline Jasaitis for the delicious kugelis they made and donated to the picnic.

Condolences to the families of Senior members - Tekla Norbut and Povilas Dirkis. They both were most active with the K of L and will be missed by all.

Speedy get-well wishes to Honorary Member Albin Manst and to Balys Brazdzionis, who are both recovering at Holy Cross Hospital.

Congratulations to our Nativity B.V.M. parish priests who commemorated their ordination anniversaries in May: IID Spiritual Advisor and Pastor, the Rev. Anthony Zakarauskas, 33 years; Rev. Anthony Puchenski, 3 years; and Council Spiritual Advisor, the Canon Vaclovas Zakarauskas, 43 years.

The "Flames of Freedom - Laisvės Liepsna" monument, an impressive steel struction, will be located in Marquette Park. This monument will be built in commemoration of the determined dedication of the Lithuanian people for freedom and democracy. Among the initial committee members are council members Joe Kulys, Charlotte and Balys Brazdzionis.



NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

The N.E.D. held an Executive Board meeting at the home of Mr. & Mrs. John Stoskus in Providence, R.I. on June 3 at 3 P.M., the host council being #103.

Due to a serious accident Dist. President Albert Jaritis was not able to preside at the meeting; 1st V.P. Alexander Akule handled the task.

Those present were:

- C-17 - Rev. Albin Janiunas, Frederick Hirst, John Olevitz.
- C-17-S - John Norinkavich, Joseph White, Longinas Svelnis, Patricia Akule, Alexander Akule.
- C-26 - Joseph Sakaitis
- C-78 - Mary Neveresky
- C-103 - John Stoskus, Bertha Stoskus, Helen Sereicikas
- C-116 - Anthony Miner

The N.E.D. sponsored a retreat at Kennebunkport, Me. the weekend of June 28, and planned other events, all of which are listed in the "K of L Calendar" in the Vytis.

We expect the cooperation of all councils in the district in supplying help, donations and attendance for the Oct. 6 Cultural Picnic (opening at 1 P.M.). In recent years this picnic has been very successful in that it gets the Lithuanian community together for a day of enjoyment and cultural review. Please make room on your social calendar for this important event.

Various questions pertaining to Dist. events were discussed and assignments made.

Anthony Miner, chairman of the Scholarship Committee, reported

that not a single person applied for the scholarships. This is a sad commentary on the District. Surely, there are some worthy students who would have applied if they were informed. Members, look around your area, and if you know of an eligible student, let them know of future possibilities.

The meeting closed with a prayer led by Rev. Janiunas, Dist. Spiritual Advisor.

Once again we wish to thank our most hospitable hosts, John and Bertha Stoskus, for a fine supper and refreshments.

Fr. Janiunas closed the day by showing colored sound movies of the ceremonies at the Cathedral of the Pines sponsored by the District at Rindge, N.H. on May 26.

The combined C's 17 & 17 Srs. presented their annual awards to 4 members of the graduating class of St. Peter's School at ceremonies at St. Peter's Lithuanian Church on June 12. The scholarship awards are based on the following criteria: student must have a parent of Lithuanian lineage, they must be a member of St. Peter's Parish and a member of their school's graduating class. Congratulations to Donna Ruseckas, Andrew Keturakis, Mark Yelmokas and Richard Zuzevich.

J. White

C-26 - WORCESTER, MASS.

Maytime was busytime for C-26! May 6 was our council's "PRAYER DAY FOR LITHUANIA". Mass was celebrated by the assistant, Father Joseph Budzeika, M.I.C., and the homily was delivered by our pastor and spiritual advisor, Father Anthony Miciunas, M.I.C. "This evening", said Father Miciunas, "we pray to Our Blessed Lord in the Mass, and in the litany we pray to Our Blessed Lady". And this we did in great number. A spot check showed the following midst the congregation: Beatrice Anton, Ann Bender, Regina Barisas, Anne Buciskas, Ann and Bill Buckley, Adele and Francis Degutis, Bertha Gircys, Frances Grigas, Emily Gudzevich, Helen Gillus, Bill Karas, Alex Kardokas and His

daughter, Patricia, Olga Kersis, Mildred Lapinskas, Rita Pinkus, Joseph Sakaitis, Tillie Shilale, Ann Walinsky and Joe Zalieckas.

Our council was invited to prepare breakfast in the parish hall following Mass and Holy Communion on Mother's Day. Each organization of the parish participated, and it was indeed a gala celebration. Our chefs were Rita Pinkus (chairman), her husband, Ted, Helen Gillus, Adele and Francis Degutis. In addition to the above, we also had K of L members in the choir loft: Ann and Steve Walinsky, Adele and Francis Degutis, Walter Grimala and Olga Kersis.

We're proud to announce the names of new officers in St. Casimir's Mothers Guild (a parents' organization at St. Casimir's School). These K of L's can always be found working for a good cause. Marion Racicot is the new president, succeeding Eleanor Greska, and Bea Anton is the new vice president. Also on the executive committee are Eleanor Gadilauskas and Ann Bender, and there are probably others.

Father Miciunas said he received considerable assistance this year in the Annual Bishop's Fund Drive from his co-chairmen, Steve and Ellie Walinsky. There were many K of L's working for this worthy cause.

More K of L participation was noted the day of the new rectory Open House: Ann Bender, Joe Sakaitis, Ann and Steve Walinsky, Rita Pinkus, Kazys and Teresa Adomavicius, Eleanor Greska, Marion Racicot and Olga Kersis. And, there were probably others!

A 7 or 8-hour bout in surgery was necessary to properly stitch and graft skin to the 5 fingers of one hand belonging to Ray Jakubauskas. An accident which took place while he was landscaping around his new home gave Ray and his wife, Terry, many tense moments, but thank God, he will ultimately have the use of all his fingers. It will be several weeks before the bandages will be removed, and we hope recovery will

be swift. Rita Brazauskas is convalescing beautifully, and we know she'll soon be back at her desk. Likewise for Tony Morkunas who looks better than ever!

Our Ritual Chairman, Rita Pinkus, announced that 2nd and 3rd degrees would be awarded to eligible members on June 11.

We're so sorry to learn of Al Jaritis' mishap and wish him an early recovery. Al is president of the N.E. Dist.

Among those attending the Ecumenical Service for Enslaved Nations at the Cathedral of the Pines on May 26 were Ann Bender, Anne Buciskas and Joe Sakaitis. Delegates to the So. Boston N.E. Dist. Conv. in April were Rita and Ted Pinkus, Anne Buciskas, Joseph Sakaitis and Olga Kersis. Dr. Yuri Glasov of Boston College, exiled Russian citizen, was the speaker for whom we have only superlatives.

The 3rd anniversary memorial Mass for our late Pastor, Father John C. Jutt, was held on June 27. Father Miciunas planned the spiritual program, while Ann Bender arranged a light repast in the parish hall following Mass.

Steve and Ellie Walinsky invited us to their Millbury home for our July meeting, while Ten and Rita Pinkus invited us to their Rutland summer camp for the August meeting. Happy summertime!

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SEPTEMBER

- 15 C-110 - 50th ANNIVERSARY, Mass & Communion Brunch, Transfiguration Church, Maspeth, N.Y.
- 29 NED FALL CONVENTION, C-116, Worcester, Mass.

OCTOBER

- 6 NED CULTURAL PICNIC, Ramuva Park, Brocton, Mass.
- 6 C-90, Kearny, 2nd ANNUAL AMBER BALL, Lithuanian Catholic Community Center, Kearny, N.J.
- 12 C-29, Newark, ANNUAL DINNER DANCE, Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Newark, N.J.
- 13 MAD FALL CONVENTION, Amsterdam, N.Y., C-100 Hosts.

NOVEMBER

- 16 C-12, New York, 60th ANNIVERSARY THANKS-GIVING MASS & DINNER, 5:00 P.M., Our Lady of Vilnius Church & Hall, New York, N.Y.
- 23 C-17 & C-17 Srs., NOVEMBER-FEST, Lithuanian Citizens' Club, So. Boston, Mass.

DECEMBER

- 15 NED TV MASS, 9 a.m.—Channel 7, WNAC TV in Government Center, Boston, Mass.