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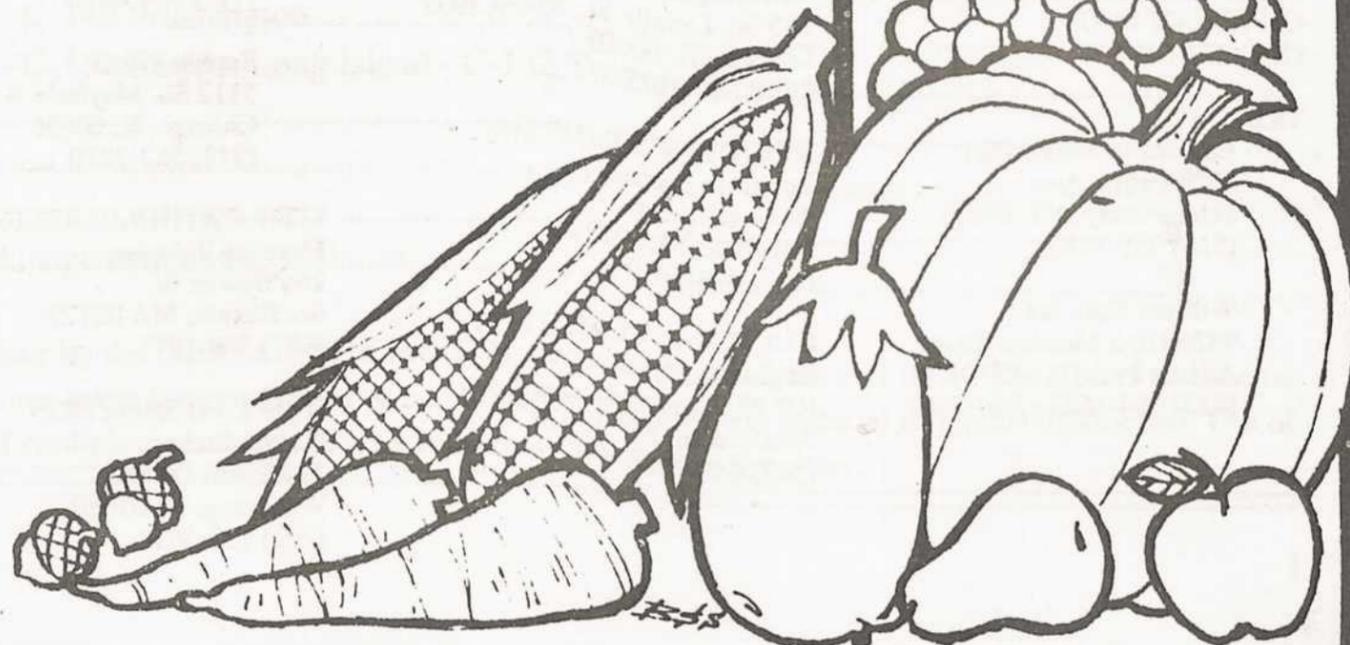
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Arrival of fall is always welcome.

*Warm sunny, days and cool, breezy
nights of autumn are a special relief.*

*Leaves on trees change into a variety
of vivid colors reminding us of
God's presence and power in all
creation.*

*It is truly a season of praise and
thanksgiving.*



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THE CATHEDRAL OF VILNIUS

by Sister Elena Majikas, O.P.

Lithuania was one of the last European countries to be Christianized. Its first Cathedral was built in Vilnius when the country was being Christianized in 1387. The Diocese was established in 1388.

The Cathedral was known as the "Castle Church" since it was built in the upper confines of the walls in castle territory. The foundation of the present day bell tower which stands apart from the Cathedral was once a part of a defense wall which dates back to the thirteenth century. The Cathedral itself is built on the site of an ancient pagan sanctuary according to the Bull of Pope Urban VI issued March 12, 1388.

Stormy History of Vilnius Cathedral

The Cathedral of Vilnius has a very stormy history! During the course of centuries, parts of it had been destroyed by fire and water; consequently, it was reconstructed a number of times.

The ancient Cathedral was established by King Jogaila in 1388. Recent excavations confirm that the original structure was built of stone. When Vytautas the Great ruled Lithuania, he had a larger Cathedral built in 1419. The new Cathedral was built in baked brick. The architecture was Gothic. It had a tri-nave interior and two unequal towers. During renovations, fragments of its Gothic vaulting and window arches have been found.

Tombs in the Cathedral

The remains of Vytautas the Great and of his wife Anne were interred in the Cathedral. Other noble families annexed their own chapel-mausoleums to the Cathedral in the 15th century, among them were Montvydas, Gostautas, Kesgaila and Bishop Tabor. King Casimir added a royal chapel-mausoleum in 1474 for the members of the Jogaila dynasty. This chapel was assigned to the Valavicius (Wollowicz) family in 1623. A new crypt was built beneath the central nave where the remains of the royal family were transferred.

Renovations of the Cathedral

When the Cathedral was rebuilt between 1534-57 after it was destroyed by fire in 1530, the new structure remained essentially the same with the exception that it was extended about three meters to the south. It remained Gothic in style with round arched windows and a high roof. The external appearances of the present day cathedral conform to 17th century engravings which have been preserved.

The tombs of the Royal Family and of Church and State

dignitaries were of Renaissance sculpture created by Italian masters. Zanobi designed the tombstone for Gestautas (Prince) while that of the Bishop of Vilnius, Paul of Galsia was designed by Giovanni Maria Padavano. The marble sepulchral monument which was commissioned by Queen Bona Sforza for Vytautas the Great has not survived; nor have those of Queens Elizabeth and Barbara which were designed by the sculptors Padavano and Cini.

The Cathedral underwent extensive repairs after destructive fires in the late 15th century and again in the early 17th century. Two baroque towers were added to the facade and the vaulting was lowered. St. Casimir's Chapel with its extremely rich baroque interior was designed by Italian architects and added to the Cathedral. No Royal crypt was built beneath the chapel because of its watery terrain. The interior of the Cathedral underwent considerable damage during the Muscovite invasion in 1655. The loss included most of the chapels, altars, paintings and tombstones. Once again, extensive renovations took place in the Cathedral and St. Casimir's Chapel between 1666-1692.

The southwest tower of the Cathedral collapsed in 1769 which destroyed part of the Cathedral. Bishop Massalski commissioned the architect Laurynas Stuoka-Gucevičius to rebuild the Cathedral in 1786. He made significant changes. The roof was lowered, the towers were removed, a portico was added to the facade and columns were built on the sides. This architectural design by Gucevičius gave the Cathedral its present monumental classical appearance.

When Gucevičius died, his work was completed by Michael Szulc. The sculptor, Tommaso Righi, created the designs for the bas-reliefs and statues for the niches in the wall which decorated the facade. Three statues which graced the pediments were sculptured by Karolis Jelskis according to the plan of Gucevičius. The statues were removed in 1952 by order of Soviet authorities. The relics of St. Casimir were transferred to the Church of Sts. Peter and Paul in Antakalnis in 1953 also. In 1956 the entire Cathedral was desecrated and converted into an art gallery and concert hall by the Russians.

The sub-structure of the Cathedral was looked into between 1931-1932 by a Polish architect Juljusz Klos. Cracks were found in the walls. Further investigation showed the need of strengthening the walls. During this investigation, the remains of King Alexander and Queens Elizabeth and Barbara were discovered in a sealed crypt beneath the central nave of the Cathedral. The investigations also established the earliest phases of the construction of the Cathedral. The fragments of a single pillar and parts of a wall with a former

entrance were found under the western part of the Cathedral which ascertained the single nave structure built by King Jogaila. Fragments of a row of Gothic pillar foundations discovered beneath the southern nave testified to the Cathedral built by Vytautas. The Royal remains were placed in a specially prepared crypt underneath St. Casimir's Chapel.

Twenty years later cracks appeared in the walls of the Cathedral. Further investigation was necessary to examine its foundation and the ground beneath. Work was begun by the Vilnius Institute of Construction directed by the architect Stasys Abramauskas. More interesting discoveries were made.

Fragments of an old square foundation built of fieldstone were unearthed. These stones are older than the Cathedral built by Jogaila. The remains of another ancient structure was discovered near the northern wall of the Cathedral. This structure contains fragments of a floor of inlaid colored tile; a lead figurine with a heraldic emblem, possibly from the era of King Mindaugas; and a Gothic ring with a pearl. The purpose of this square building has not been ascertained. Its plan has a definite similarity to early pagan sanctuaries of Celtic, Thracian and Slavic origins. This discovery would appear to confirm the Bull issued by Pope Urban VI that the Cathedral was built on an ancient pagan temple. In 1976 parts of an apse of a square building, but differing in construction

were unearthed.

The various archaeological excavations reveal the strata which represent the cultural layers of a Byzantine phase with an infiltration of Scandinavian traditions of the 12th-13th centuries distinct layer of a Mid-European Christian Culture dating back to the 14th-15th centuries.

The ancient Cathedral has withstood the elements of nature, the test of time and of Godless men. Its stormy history likens it to a precious jewel to be treasured by the historian, archaeologist, artist and by all Christians. Its recent restoration to the Catholic Church by the Russians is a priceless heirloom for Lithuanian Christians. The newly consecrated Cardinal Vincentas Sladkevičius offered Mass in the Cathedral for the first time since 1956. Once again the Cathedral of Vilnius, restored to the Church, stands firm on its foundation of faith.



The Grand Prince of Lithuania

by Edward Baranauskas

The title used to designate the supreme ruler of Lithuania from the 12th century until its occupation by the Czars of Russia in 1795, may be confusing to some students of Lithuanian history. In some textbooks, the term "Grand Prince" is used while in others "Grand Duke" is used. Either is correct.

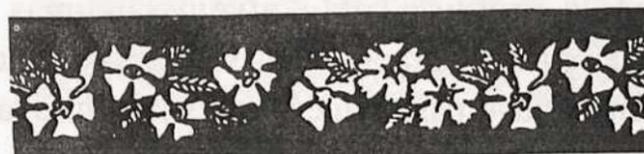
Grand duke and grand prince are used interchangeably to refer to Russian and Lithuanian sovereigns in the period from the 12th century on. This is entirely proper since in the Lithuanian language there is only one term to designate the highest ranking title after that of king and it may be translated as duke or prince.

In many other countries, the two titles are not of the same rank. Thus, in England, for example, prince designates the next highest hereditary rank above that of duke.

In the Lithuanian language, the title given to "Grand Prince" is "Didysis Kunigaikštis". The term "kunigaikštis" (prince, duke) was gradually developed from the word

"kunigas" which, in turn, came from the medieval German word "konig, koenig". Originally "kunigas" was an elder who exercised both religious and non-religious authority over his community or tribe. When the Lithuanians accepted Christianity, these two functions were exercised by different individuals and "kunigas" eventually came down to be a minister of religion or priest. Dignitaries acquired the title of "kunigaikštis", which is found in the Lithuanian texts of the 16th century. As a courtesy, the title was also extended to high church officials. The supreme ruler of Lithuania was singled out by giving him the title, dating from the 16th century as "aukščiausias kunigaikštis" or highest prince.

When Vytautas the Great became the ruler of Lithuania, he titled himself with the Latin words of "Magnus Dux Lituaniae". This title of Lithuania's rulers stayed that way until the end of the 18th century. That is probably why some confusion exists when scholars translate those words into "Grand Duke of Lithuania".



A FOOTNOTE TO HISTORY

by Al Cizauskas

Occasionally, we read about the small incidents that illuminate and humanize larger historical events. One of these had to do with President Truman, the Soviet Ambassador to the United States and the Lithuanian Minister, Povilas Zadeikis.

Recently, I was browsing through a fascinating book of memoirs by Dean Acheson, *Present at the Creation*. As usual, I checked the index to see if Lithuania was mentioned and sure enough it was. It seems that early in 1946, President Truman decided to reinstate the annual diplomatic dinner at the White House, discontinued during the war. Due to a slip of protocol, the Soviet Ambassador, Nicolai V. Novikov, was to be seated next to the Lithuanian Minister. Because the Soviet Union had, as Acheson puts it, "swallowed" Lithuania, while the United States continued to recognize it, the Soviet Ambassador sent in his regrets that he would be unable to accept the invitation, citing a diplomatic case of "ill health".

The next morning, President Truman, a feisty man who did

not brook lightly what he regarded as an insult to his country or to Mrs. Truman, the hostess for that particular affair, called in Dean Acheson, then Undersecretary of State. He told Acheson, in no uncertain terms, to inform the Soviet Ambassador that he was no longer welcome to the White House so long as Truman remained President.

Bess Truman, however, knew her Harry and his short fuse. She called on the phone while Dean was with the President, trying to dissuade him from making a fool of himself. After a while, Truman handed the phone over to Acheson. The President's wife pleaded with Acheson to persuade Truman to cool it. "This gave me an idea," Acheson wrote. He then pretended to repeat what Mrs. Truman was saying about the President to him, using such phrases as "above himself," "delusions of grandeur," and "too big for his britches."

The President finally gave in saying "All right, when you gang up on me, I know I'm licked. Let's forget all about it."

But as Dean Acheson was leaving, Harry Truman had the last word, "Tell old Novocaine we didn't miss him!"

And so ended one of the lighter incidents of the Cold War that was soon to heat up.

LIETUVIŠKA KALBA IR JOS PALAIKYMAS

R. Staniškytė

Ar labai sunku užmiršti taisyklingai lietuviškai kalbėti? Žmogus, daug metų vartojęs savo gimtą kalbą, jos lengvai nepamirš. Vaikas, tuo tarpu, mažiau su ja susipažinęs ir trumpiau kalbėjęs, ją gali greičiau užmiršti. Jeigu vaikas vartoja tik svetimą kalbą, jis neužilgo pradės ta kalbą ir galvoti. Netrukus savoji kalba jam pasidarys sunki, žodžiai pradės painiotis ir po ilgesnio laiko pasidarys visai svetima.

Ar galima, savo gimtąją kalbą užmiršus, išlikti lietuviu? Atsakymas priklausys nuo paskirų žmonių. Yra asmenų, kurie, ir nekalbėdami lietuviškai, jausis esą lietuviai. Gyvų pavyzdžių galime rasti Amerikos lietuvių tarpe. Daugelis iš jų tik keleta žodžių supranta lietuviškai ar visai nemoka, o jaučiasi esą lietuviais ir tuom didžiuojasi. Galime padaryti išvadą, kad ir nekalbant lietuviškai, galima išlikti lietuviu dvasioje.

Jaunimui retas savos kalbos naudojimas yra labai žalingas, nes grėsia nutautėjimu. Juo jaunimas mažiau vartoja savo gimtąją kalbą, tuo jis daugiau tolsta nuo savų papročių, idėjų ir pagaliau visiškai užmiršta savo tėvynę ir jos kenčiančius brolius. Tokiu atveju jaunimas paskęsta svetimtaučių jūroje, prarasdamas visą savos tautos grožį ir gėrį, kuriuos buvo pasisavinęs. Tokis jaunimas tampa savo

tėvynei naudingas, kaip nudžiūvusi šaka pasidaro nenaudinga medžiui.

Jaunuomenė manęs paklaus: "Tai kaip savą kalbą palaikyti?" Priemonių yra daug; ir jos visos prieinamos jaunimui. Pirmiausiai, reikia savo draugų ir tautiečių tarpe kalbėti lietuviškai. Dar naudingesnis būtų dažnas lietuviškos knygos skaitymas. Šia priemone pasinaudojęs, jaunolis ar jaunuolė ne tik kad nepamirš savos kalbos, bet ir taisyklingiau ją vartoti išmoks. Mokyklinio amžiaus jaunimui yra lituanistinės mokyklos, kurios padeda gilintis į savo kalbą. Be šių lituanistinių mokyklų yra įvairios lietuviškos organizacijos, kurios taip pat padės šitoj srity. Kita svarbi priemonė — lietuviškų parengimų lankymas.

Taigi, išvardinus įvairiausias priemones lietuviškos kalbos palaikymui, negalėtume pateisinti nė vieno jaunuolio-lės, užmiršusio savo gimtąją kalbą.

Sunku yra suprasti, kodėl mes savo gimtąją kalbą, tokį didelį ir nenuperkamą turtą, taip lengvai kartais prarandame. Ar mūsų kalba mums tokia nemiela? Aš manau, kad čia tik apsileidimas ir nerūpestingumas. Mes nepajuntame, kaip stipriai pagauna naujos gyvenimo aplinkybės ir kaip prarandam savo briangiausią turtą — lietuviška kalbą.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SUPPORT LITHUANIAN CAUSE

by Leo Venckus

COLUMBIA, the monthly magazine of the Knights of Columbus, carried in its May issue an extensive, eye-and-mind opening article over three pages about Caritas, a charitable organization in Lithuania. Written by Wm. Bole, the article is illustrated with several photos and a map of Lithuania and its neighboring countries, supplied by the Lithuanian Information Center in Brooklyn, NY.

Although the article deals mostly with Caritas that has about 500 chapters with several thousand volunteers (mostly former nuns that have emerged from the underground since "perestroika" began) who take care of abandoned children, feed the hungry, the sick and the elderly and are actively engaged in religious education, it also mentions the hundreds of thousands of men, women and children exiled to Siberia under orders of Josef Stalin over 50 years ago.

Granted that this article was written before Gorbachev imposed the economic blockade that, despite rumors of easing it, still strangles Lithuania and makes its people suffer, it has opened the eyes and minds of many American Catholics.

Why, they wonder, is the Bush administration doing so little, if anything, to effectively support Lithuania's struggle for freedom and independence, when all other presidents

since the end of World War II, did not once recognize the forced annexation of the Baltic States by the Soviet Union as right and logical? Could it be that our president, who gave Gorbachev a Royal treatment during the recent Washington Summit, is still suffering from "Gorbamania" which prevents all, befallen by it, to recognize the fact that this Mr. Gorby, this celebrated best actor on the political stage of the world, who expected an immediate "Oskar" - the MFN status for the Soviet Union, might before long become a plain Mr. Nobody. Because his grip and popularity at home is slipping fast and badly.

Inspired by the excellent article and the tale-telling pictures in COLUMBIA, the Knights of Columbus, St. Peter's Council 8687 of Douglas, MI have decided to help the sick and elderly, the women and children now suffering in blockade-strangled Lithuania with a donation of \$100.00. Thus, they set an example to other K of C councils, but especially to us Knights of Lithuania to support either Caritas or the newly formed Lithuanian Mercy Lift, the Lithuanian Hotline or the Lithuanian Information Center, which is a subsidiary of the Lithuanian Catholic Religious Aid, 351 Highland Blvd., Brooklyn, NY 11207. Tel. (718) 647-2434.

MALDA UŽ LIETUVĄ

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Viešpatie, visatos Valdove,
Pažvelk į žemę Lietuvos,
Ten vaikai Tavo už laisvę kovoja,
Suteik jiems jėgų, kantrybės, drąsos.
Lietuvių tautą kala prie kryžiaus,
Kaip Tavo Sūnų, kankina ir ją.
Bet ji prisikelt pasiryžus,
Stojo prieš galiūnus, be ginklo, viena....
Viešpatie, pasaulio Valdove
Padėk didvyriams Lietuvos,
Prieš milijonus jie vieningai stoja,
Už tėvynės laisvę, gyvastį aukos....
Viešpate, visatos Valdove,
Palengvink jų kryžių ir kančias,
Neleiski suklupt prieš bedievių galybę,
Iš nelaisvės namų savo vaikus išvesk.



Lietuviška Kalba ir jos Palaikymas (Cont'd from Pg 4)

Atsiminkime, had praradę gimtąją kalbą, prarasime tai, dėl ko tiek daug buvo kovota ir kraujo pralieta; prarasime tai, dėl ko mirė ir miršta mūsų broliai ir sesės. Mūsų jaunmo pareiga yra išlikti išstvermingais, kad, grįžę į Lietuvą, galėtumė drašiai pratarti: "Tėvyne, daugiau nieko nebeturiu, tačiau priimk bent gražiąją, daug šalių apkeliavusią lietuvišką kalbą".

Mark Twain once said, "It ain't those parts of the Bible that I can't understand that bother me, it is the parts that I do not understand."

Twain also had an unusual definition for a favorite summertime activity — Golf: a nice walk ruined!



Road Signs Helping the Lithuanian Cause

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Richard Genaitis, K of L member of C-10 Athol-Gardner, MA is owner of Rite Media, a Florida/Massachusetts based advertising company. They are owners of many billboards in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, North Carolina and Florida wherein they are able to advertise their own messages on the placards that speckle roadsides all along the East Coast.

Typically, these billboards peddle commercial advertising. However, messages on ten billboards scattered around Central Florida refer to the Soviet leader's campaign of openness and economic reform for his people and read: "Can Gorbachev Prove Perestroika? FREE LITHUANIA." The sign is very colorful. LIT is in yellow, HUA in green and NIA in red. Knowing full well Pres. Bush probably won't be traveling in the area around Orlando real soon, Rite Media officials are sending pictures of the signs as well as certified letters to the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

At \$500 a month per sign, this campaign makes a bit of a dent in Rite Media's budget. In spite of this, the company has no plans to cut its efforts short. The signs will stay up for three to five months.

Richard Genaitis' sister, Lillian Erickson, is active in collecting signatures on behalf of the Lithuanians in the



Road Sign appearing on a Highway

Seattle, WA area as well as his mother, Blanche, collecting in the Athol-Gardner, MA area, both of whom are K of L members. They also distributed flyers at the Good Will Games in Seattle against the Soviets on behalf of the Baltic athletes.

BRAVO to the Genaitis family!

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A SYMPHONY OF PRAISE

Dalia Bulvicius

The great Italian conductor Arturo Toscanini was truly a genius. The longest symphonic works, lasting for one to two hours, he conducted from memory. He knew the timbre of every instrument in his orchestra and his Italian temperament would explode if that special timbre was not exactly what he demanded.

"Singing is praying twice" some of us have been told in our catechism classes. But, besides vocal, there is also instrumental music. Who could deny that the compositions of a Bach or a Handel are not double prayers? An organ is an equal partner to the best chorus. It was man's God-given intellect which built this "king of all instruments" for the greater glory of the Creator.

Therefore, during the month of October when we celebrated the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, let us reflect for a moment on his famous "Prayer of Peace." The axis of the

prayer is the word instrument. The Saint asks God to make him an instrument—an instrument which changed doubt into faith, darkness into light and despair into joy.

The most important section of a symphonic orchestra is the strings and the most important string instrument—the violin. If it is a great orchestra like the Metropolitan Opera or Chicago Symphony, the violins are first class—the best available. But even the best instrument remains mute until the time when the hand of a musician touches it and brings it to life.

In his prayer, St. Francis asks his Creator to make him such an instrument. He longed to be a passive instrument until touched by Him, who knew how to get out of Francis the most beautiful melodies. When God touched the heart of the Saint, He produced a harmony of peace, hope, faith, light, and joy. God knew the possibilities of St. Francis, just as Toscanini

Symphony of Praise (Cont'd)

knew the possibilities of every instrument in his orchestra.

A violin is a passive innate object. It does not possess God's greatest gift—a soul. It would be wrong to assume that St. Francis sat passively with his hands folded waiting for God's grace to descend. By giving Francis a soul, God demanded much more of the Saint. An instrument has to be tuned and active. Untuned instruments could be compared to clanging cymbals about which St. Paul speaks in his Epistles. Many of us were tuned by our Creator and stamped with the sign of Christian, just like the finest violins are stamped with the name Stradivari. We each possess a distinct timbre geared for a special section of an orchestra — the orchestra of

humanity. St. Francis envisioned such an orchestra praising its Creator, who with the slightest gesture causes all the cosmic forces to tremble.

We, like St. Francis, must familiarize ourselves with that special timbre we have and then harmonize it with all the different timbres around us, thus producing a heavenly symphony which could be envied by the "father of the symphony" himself Josef Haydn. For listening is a passive element, harmonizing — active. Both are necessary for a fruitful coexistence which is the heart of St. Francis spiritually.

And when we have achieved this synthesis, we can dedicate our efforts, as did Anton Bruckner his 9th Symphony, to our Creator.

Exiled Bishop Celebrates Silver Jubilee

The dictionary defines an exile as "a prolonged living away from one's country, community." The word is derived from another one meaning "to wander aimlessly." The definition is only partly true of Bishop Brizgys, auxiliary bishop in exile of Kaunas, Lithuania. Although he has lived away from his homeland for a prolonged time — 46 years — he has always remained close to his compatriots.

On June 10th hundreds gathered to honor him on his 50th anniversary as a bishop. He was born on Nov. 10, 1903 in Vilkaviškis, Lithuania. Ordained in 1927, he served as a parish priest for three years and then went to Rome for further studies at the Gregorian University. When he returned home, he was consecrated a bishop on May 19, 1940. He served as dean of theology at the state university of Kaunas until 1944 when the German Gestapo sent him to Bavaria. When WWII ended, he was refused readmission to Lithuania by the Soviets. Through the efforts of Pope Pius XII and Cardinal Stritch of Chicago, he came to Chicago in 1951 to serve the Lithuanians.

The Bishop founded the Lithuanian World Catholic Conference which bonds Lithuania organizations in 10 countries. He also was responsible for Our Lady of Siluva Chapel at the National Shrine in Washington, DC and for the Our Lady of Vilnius Shrine at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

The Bishop was presented with the Honorary Membership Award from the Knights of Lithuania in 1958 and also Mid-



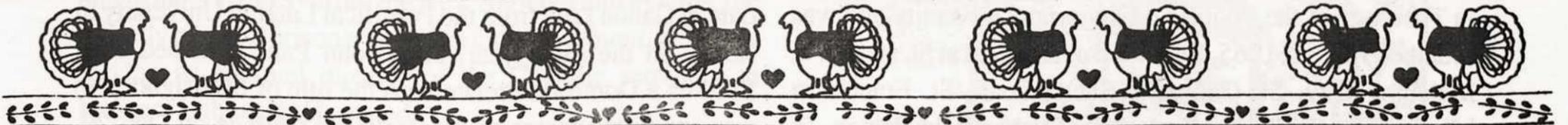
Brizgys: A golden jubilarian.

New World/Casella

America District's Annual Award of Distinction in 1986.

A concelebrated Mass was held at Nativity BVM Church presided by His Eminence Joseph Cardinal Bernardin with reception at Maria High School, Chicago. Homily was given by Bishop Paulius Baltakis from Brooklyn. Greetings were extended by Most Rev. Timothy Lyne, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, Chairman Anthony Rudis, General

Consul Vaclovas Kleiza, Rev. John Kuzinskas and many others. K of L Choir conducted by Fausto Strolius and accompanied by Robert Mockus rendered several musical selections at the banquet. Ilgiausių metų linkimė Vyskupių Vincento Brizgio.



Political Asylum is Out of Control

America's Future

The theory seemed valid. The Refugee Act of 1980 would grant asylum to aliens who could demonstrate "a well-founded fear of persecution." In practice, however, America's asylum process has become a bureaucratic madhouse of legal loopholes and abuse. As explained by Duane Austin, a chief spokesman for the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), "Nearly any foreigner who sets foot on U.S. soil can, if he or she wishes, apply at a district INS office for permanent asylum. No matter how unqualified or frivolous the claim might be, the would-be asylee can remain here another three to four years before exhausting our drawn-out appeal process."

"Before 1980," said Austin, "only about 500 to 600 individuals a year applied for asylum, mostly from the Soviet bloc. Last year, some 60,000 aliens from dozens of countries filed applications with at least as many more waiting in line. The backlog of cases is overwhelming." Adding to the INS' headache are growing numbers of ordinary visitors from Canada, England, Western Europe and elsewhere who decide they'd like to remain here and simply apply for asylum. Most take advantage of the same lengthy appeal process to delay their departure.

Austin estimates the current number of illegal aliens in the

United States at approximately three million. This about equals the number of "illegals" who applied for and received amnesty and permanent residency in the U.S. between May 1987 and November 1988, under terms of the so-called Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. That act also imposed stiff fines on U.S. employers who knowingly hire illegal aliens. Since 1987, between 1,400 and 1,500 such employers have paid fines totalling more than \$3 million.

Some critics contend that granting the mass amnesty to illegal aliens only encouraged the arrival of a new wave of "illegals." Along with receiving permission to live and work in the U.S., the amnestied aliens are immediately eligible for such basic programs as Medicare, plus additional social benefits after five years. Whatever the case, demands are increasing for a general tightening up of eligibility rules and procedures across the board. Senator Simpson of Wyoming, for example, calls the current system "out of whack."

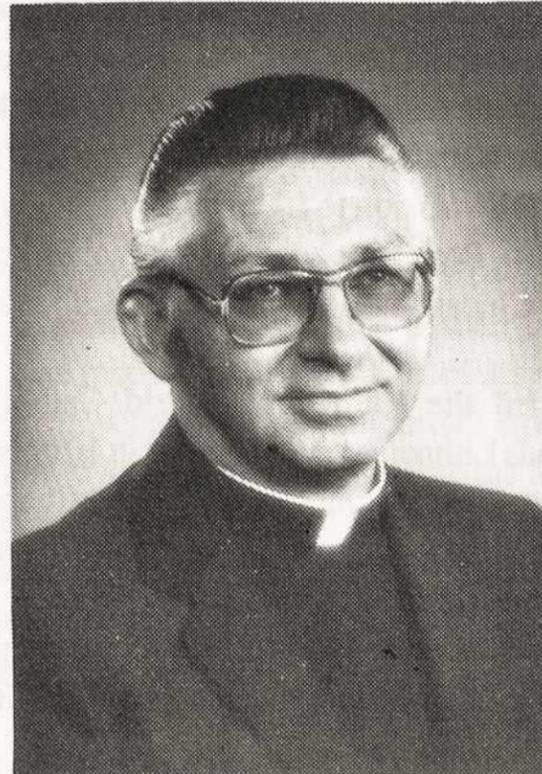
Rather than enacting any new amnesty programs - the 1986 Act passed the House by only a four-vote margin after acrimonious debate - the new Congress is expected to follow Pres. Bush's recommendation for a "a hard new look" at U.S. Immigration policies before it's too late.

Msgr. Algimantas Bartkus Celebrates Silver Jubilee

On August 12, 1990 at Annunciation BVM Church in Frackville, Msgr. Bartkus celebrated his 25th Anniversary in the priesthood with a concelebrated Mass commencing at 2:00 p.m. Celebrants of the Mass with Msgr. Bartkus were The Most Rev. Thomas Welsh, Bishop of Allentown, Msgr. Anthony Muntone, Revs. Gerald Gobitas, Ronald Jankaitas, Frances Baransky, Anthony Wassel, Anthony Ulicny, Matthew Jarasunas, and Daniel Yankevich The homily was given by Msgr. Anthony Muntone

After Mass, some 100 guests met in the parish hall for a delightful dinner followed by only a few congratulatory speeches. Master of Ceremonies was the ever-humorous Rev. Ronald Jankaitis, pastor of St. Casimir's Church in St. Clair, PA.

Msgr. Bartkus entered the seminary in Oct. 1958 at St. Casimir's College in Rome. He earned his Master's Degree in Theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University and was ordained July 11, 1965. He served as assistant at St. Joseph's, Mahanoy City, St. George's, Shenandoah, St. Francis in Minersville, St. Bernard's and St. Michael's in Easton. In 1972 he was appointed pastor of St. Casimir's in St. Clair and



in 1978 pastor of Annunciation BVM in Frackville, PA. He was very instrumental in establishing Knights of Lithuania C-144 Anthracite.

In 1983, Msgr. Bartkus accepted an appointment as Pro-Rector of St. Casimir's Pontifical College in Rome. In 1985 he received the licentiate in Canon Law from the Pontifical Lateran University in Rome. In the same year, Pope John Paul II named Rev. Bartkus a Domestic Prelate with the title of Monsignor. He was appointed rector of St. Casimir's College on Oct. 20, 1985. *Ad Multos Annos!*

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Mikhail Gorbachev's Basic Dictionary on the Baltic States

- Adventurism:** Demand for national rights.
- Anarchy:** Disintegration of Moscow's control.
- Concessions:** What small nations must give.
- Constitution:** Stalin's and Brezhnev's document, on which the Balts were never consulted.
- Equality:** A master-slave relationship.
- Extremists:** People who disapprove of foreign oppression.
- Hitler-Stalin Pact:** An inconsequential inconvenience.
- Glasnost:** Includes disinformation on the Baltic States.
- Independence:** Determined by geographical location: desirable in Namibia, outrageously provocative in Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia.
- Law and Order:** Tanks and truncheons.
- Lawful Procedure:** Adherence to Moscow's imperial rules.
- Lincoln, Abraham:** Mikhail Gorbachev's predecessor.
- Nationalists:** Anti-imperialistic patriots.
- Old Grudges:** Genocide and oppression.
- Our Baltic Republics:** Stolen property.
- Realism:** Acceptance of colonial status.
- Realities:** Economic blockade and armored carriers.
- Self-Determination:** Something for public addresses.
- Separatists:** Those who take the right to self-determination seriously.
- Soviet Nation:** a multinational empire.
- Stalinism:** To be disapproved of, except for the annexation of the Baltic States.
- Truth:** Whatever helps to preserve the empire.
- Union:** The relationship between the rapist and the rape victim.

LIBRARY BOOKS GO TO LITHUANIA

Stanley Pieza

Many of the library books that were saved from the fire which destroyed non-Lithuanian All Saints Catholic Church in San Pierre, IN two years ago, will be shipped by mail to the Baltic Republic of Lithuania.

The decision to send the books to Lithuania was made in response to a letter, appearing in the Knights of Lithuania magazine - VYTIS - from the Rev. Sigita Tamkevicius, the recently released prisoner from Soviet enslavement, presently serving as spiritual director of the Catholic seminary in Kaunas, Lithuania. He stated:

"Reawakening Lithuania is starving for literary books,

periodicals of all kinds, including English and catechetical material, for little libraries are opening in Lithuania under auspices of Catholic organizations...May God reward all those who support this work."

More than 1,000 books filled the shelves of the All Saints Library in a basement room which served as the classroom for the parish's high school religion class, according to the pastor. It is planned to ship to Lithuania two bags of books each weighing 66 pounds. Among the books to be shipped include fiction by famous authors, biographies, catechetical material, including a total of some 100 books.

The shipment of books will include "The Maryknoll Book of Treasures" by Rev. A. Nevin; "Fifty Great Americans" by Henry Thomas; "Plays" by Bernard Shaw; the "Life and Times of Einstein" by Ronald Clark; "Modern English Writers" by Sisters M. Judine and M. Gratia. Among the English books loved by English readers in Lithuania is "The Tale of Two Cities" by Charles Dickens — and this is also being sent to Lithuania.

With a population of 3.5 million, the country of Lithuania has been on the shores of the Baltic before the Christian era. The Lithuanians are a distinct people of the Indo-European family of nations. Lithuania emerged as a united state in the early 13th century, subsequently Lithuania came under domination of the Czars of Russia, and became an independent nation after WWI. In 1940, the Soviet Union illegally seized Lithuania and the Baltic states of Latvia and Estonia.

When Lithuanians declared their independence from Soviet Russia on March 11, they demanded the ousting of the Communist party and uprisings flared in Vilnius, capital, to show that Lithuania does not want anything to do with communism.

Presently there exists a moratorium between Soviet Russia and Lithuania. The Lithuanian parliament, overruling die-hard separatists, sent Pres. Gorbachev a conciliatory message agreeing to his demand that the Soviet constitution play a role in talks on independence.

The Lithuanian Pres. Landsbergis said that we are "prepared to discuss through dialogue" Lithuania's March 11 declaration of independence "from the point of view of international law and the USSR constitution as well.



Sports.....

POLITICS DUNK SOVIETS

John Jeansonne

The basketball summit between Olympic superpowers from the United States and Soviet Union just goes to show that the work of the Goodwill Games is never done. Created to end boycotts in 1986, this Ted Turner-inspired competition now has a boycott of its own, with the heart of the Soviet gold-medal team ripped out because four players from the Baltic republic of Lithuania declined to play.

In 1988, when the Soviets bounced the U.S. team out of the Seoul Games, 82-76, 62 of those USSR points were scored by the four Lithuanians — Arvidas Sabonis, Sarunas Marciulionis, Rimas Kurtinaitis and Valdemaras Khomichus. But since Lithuania declared independence from Moscow in March, Lithuanian sports leaders pulled two of their best basketball teams out of the Soviet leagues and have pressured Lithuanian athletes, in all sports, not to wear the Soviet colors in international competition.

There were four or five Lithuanians competing in the Games, among the 420 Soviet athletes but none of them in basketball, the sport embraced by Lithuanians ever since Baltic natives, who had lived temporarily in the United States, brought the game back home before World War II when the Baltic states were independent.

While Marciulionis watched the game in civilian clothes in the stands, the Lithuanianless Soviets bumbled around against Italy, surviving for an 88-85 win. Soviet coach Vladas Garastas, himself a Lithuanian, stated that if the Lithuanian players were there, they would have helped the Soviets very much.

Garastas claimed he got “no pressure from Soviet officials” about coaching here, but the point was that any pressure on the Lithuanians not to help the Soviet cause is coming from Lithuanians. Why should they, denied their independence by the Kremlin, help make the Soviets look good here? Especially against the independent Americans? Soviet sports officials argue that the boycotting athletes are “only hurting themselves” and, undeniably, the athletic competition suffers.

Lithuanian leaders began negotiating with Goodwill officials to have their own team soon after the republic declared its independence on March 11. Ironically, though, since these Games have worked because of close relations with Turner and Kremlin officials, Turner and his partners could not reach out to the Lithuanians without serving their most important ties. So politics are as murky and as dominant as ever.

And Marciulionis sits and sees with his own eyes that this Soviet team is no match for the Americans. “I talked to the coach,” Marciulionis said, “They [Soviets] have to pay attention to rebounds. The American guys have a lot of experience, a lot of good athletes, a real good team.” He smiled. “But, of course, I hope it’s maybe an upset.”

An upset would be that sports boycotts really are a thing of the past.



ANN JILLIAN'S SCHEDULE....

We alert our VYTIS TV watchers that Ann Jillian will host the ORANGE BOWL PARADE on New Year's Eve. It will be broadcast on NBC-TV Network live (consult your local TV guide for exact time) from Miami, FL on December 31, 1990 to ring in the New Year. Ann will take part in singing and dancing in the opening production number of this show. Tune in early to see her.

Ann will also co-host the Lou Rawls Telethon sometime in November. Check your local TV Guide listings for time and station. Ann will sing “I Believe”, a great song.

On Nov. 9 and 10, Ann will sing with the Columbus, Ohio Symphony Orchestra at the Ohio Theater in Columbus, OH. To see Ann perform with a Symphony Orchestra is really a treat. Everyone will enjoy this show.

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- Kodel taip verki, močiute? — klausia vaikas.
 - Argi nematai, kad piaustau svoguną?
 - Močiute, tai tau jo taip gaila?

- Vyresnio amžiaus moteris sako vairuotojui:
- Tikrai prašau — atsargiai, nes važiuoju pirmą kartą.
- Aš taip pat, gerbiamoji ponja.

Lithuanians in the News



ANN JILLIAN IN FLORIDA

Singer and actress Ann Jillian visited with hospitalized veterans at the Miami, FL VA Medical Center as part of the DAV's voluntary service efforts. This appearance included a visit with VA patient Kenneth O'Brien. Jillian joins a growing list of celebrities who are visiting patients in VA hospitals as a result of DAV sponsorship.

PAGEANT WINNER LOOKING ABROAD

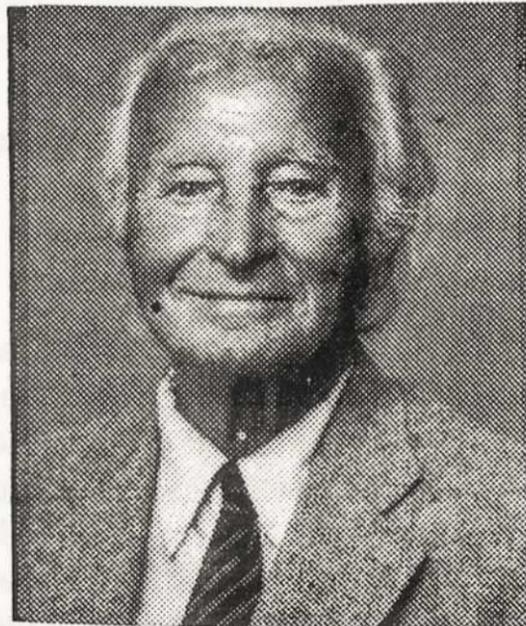
Maggie Crooks who is of Lithuanian descent, is looking forward to competing in the Mrs. America pageant in Moscow. She doesn't look like a first-time pageant queen. The tall, 28 year old contestant was Mrs. Massachusetts which was her first try for a title of any kind. She won the title over about 20 other contestants. She also won the "Mrs. Congeniality" award. She will compete in the Mrs. America pageant which will be held in November in Moscow. She explained it was decided to hold it in Moscow because of the improvement of Soviet-American relations. The pageant will be aired in many U.S cities as a syndicated TV Christmas season special.

Maggie grew up in South Boston. Her grandparents came from Vilnius. She would love to go back to see where her relatives came from and see what's happening (politically) when she gets there for the pageant. Together with other contestants, she was asked which current events she was most interested in. She replied Lithuania's declaration of independence and, of course, what Moscow had to offer Mrs. Massachusetts.



Maggie Crooks — MRS. MASSACHUSETTS

CONGRATULATED BY PRESIDENT AND FIRST LADY



Stanley Pieza

A birthday party and a Mass attended by four of his children, 16 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren and many friends and guests was held in honor of Stanley Pieza's 85th birthday on August 18.

Pieza is correspondent for the local newspaper, Leader, is active in local affairs, serving on the boards of Little Company of Mary

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Health Facility and the Council on Aging. He noted that the church has also provided him with opportunities for keeping active. He belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Holy Name Society of All Saints Parish in San Pierre, IN. He is also a lector there and has taught the parish's high school religion class for 20 years. He was named an honorary member of the Knights of Lithuania and is past president of the Lithuanian Roman Catholic Federation of America. He also is correspondent for Draugas.

Pres. George Bush and his wife Barbara congratulated Pieza with their message "We send our warm best wishes to you on your birthday. May the coming year be filled with health, happiness and love. Congratulations and God bless you."

Memories fill Pieza's farm home which belonged to his wife's parents. He and his wife Anne retired in 1970. They celebrated 55 years of marriage in 1981 and his wife died in 1982.

With all his activities and his children and grandchildren, Pieza doesn't have time to grow old. "I'll keep going on earth as long as God wants me to do so," Stanley Pieza prayerfully says.

Leader

EDITOR OF SEVERAL BOOKS

Harvard, Cornell and New York University are among the schools using Professor Niki (Nijolė) Benokraitis' new textbook, *Seeing Ourselves: Classic, Contemporary, And Cross-Cultural Readings in Sociology*. The book has gone into a second printing in its first year and doubled its publisher's (Prentice Hall) original estimate for copies sold. Professor Benokraitis attributes its popularity to the fact that it combines original writing from contemporary sociologists with the work of classical sociologists. *Modern Sexism: Blatant, Subtle, and Covert Sex Discrimination*, another book by Prof. Benokraitis, has recently been translated into Japanese. The book was translated by a Japanese sociology professor who discovered it while on sabbatical in California.

University of Baltimore Magazine

TEACHER HOPING TO BRING CHINA HOME



PIACENTINI

When he returned from China at the end of July, William Piacentini didn't bring back just pictures. He will teach what he has learned to students in his history junior high school. Bill and 17 other American teachers spent a month in the People's Republic of China as part of U.S. Dept. of Education's Fulbright Summer Seminar on

Chinese history and culture.

After a four-day orientation in San Francisco, he traveled to Beijing, Xi'an, Kunming and Shanghai attending seminars and visiting historical sites. For 12 days, he stayed at the Beijing Normal University. Several teachers at his junior high school have been trying to add an international aspect to their classes, which Piacentini said have concentrated too heavily on Western culture. His principal stated that world events make the teaching of non-Western cultures increasingly important for schools.

The Journal

HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR REUNITED WITH CATHOLIC RESCUER

Tikva Jeral, a Jewish survivor of the Nazi Holocaust, met anew the Lithuanian Catholic woman who hid her for 3 years as a little girl. Mrs. Jeral, a social worker in Wilkes Barre, PA and Bronislova (Bronė) Gecevičienė had not seen each other for 45 years. The reunion was sponsored by the Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers.

Details of how the Gecevičienė family shielded little Tikva from the Nazis unfolded once Mrs. Gecevičienė arrived in the U.S. Bronė said that Tikva's father asked her to shelter his daughter in May 1943. She consulted her husband who consented. They set up a series of rendezvous at a nearby lumberyard with Tikva's father, who passed the toddler, hidden in a package, through a barbed wire fence to the couple. Filled with fear, they headed back from the Kovno ghetto to their town, one spouse carrying the child, the other walking the two bicycles the couple had ridden to get to Kovno. They were stopped at the bridge by a Nazi guard because it was past curfew. Happily released, they were again stopped at the other end of the bridge by a Lithuanian who advised them to take side streets home to avoid getting caught. Bronė denied an assertion that 95 percent of Lithuanians collaborated with the Nazis, but said "we would



Tikva Jeral, right, Jewish survivor of the holocaust, hugs Bronė Gecevičienė, a Lithuanian Catholic woman who saved her as a child.

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have been persecuted" had someone learned of the new family member.

The parish priest knew of the situation, she said. "Morally he supported it although we didn't ask for any help from him." The couple moved to another town to avoid explaining why they suddenly had three daughters instead of two. The Gecevicus had Tikva (or Teklita, her Lithuanian name) for three years. In 1945 after Lithuania was liberated, Mrs. Gecevicene learned from a Jewish friend of Tikva's parents

that they had died when the Soviet army bombed the Nazi train taking Lithuanian Jews from their homeland. Tikva's aunt had written to the Jewish Refugee Commission, established after World War II to help displaced Jews be reunited with family members. At his point, Broné contacted the Commission and Tikva's aunt eventually claimed the young girl.

Relatives moved Tikva to Russia, then Israel and finally to Philadelphia in 1953 to live with other relatives. Mrs. Jeral recalls very little of this experience.

The Florida Catholic

BRIEFS

RUSSIAN SINGLES SEARCH FOR U.S. SPOUSES.

American-Russian Matchmaking (ARM) has signed up nearly 700 Soviet citizens who want to find "lifetime companions" in the United States. Three quarters of the respondents were women. ARM's co-founder calls the service "one more link in the chain of peaceful coexistence of our two great nations." During a recent trip to the East bloc, the director ran newspaper ads in Moscow, Leningrad, Armenia and Lithuania. Interested parties were asked to send in four photographs and 50 rubles (\$80.00). The respondents were videotaped so that interested Americans could have a more intimate look at the clients. Reasons given for seeking American spouses included: the possibility of civil war, the deteriorating economic situation and environmental pollution.

POPE ASKS FOR END TO TENSIONS IN LITHUANIA.

Pope John Paul II has asked for an end in political tensions in Lithuania so that Lithuanians can live "in serenity and peace". He prayed that God would "shorten the days of hard trial, to which Lithuanian believers continue to be subjected." The Pope spoke during a July 1 Mass at St. Casimir College for Lithuanian seminarians studying in Rome.

HOW CHAMPIONS CONDUCT THEMSELVES.

Mike Tyson, who may well become one of the greatest heavyweight kings ever, continually makes headlines — but they aren't exactly the kind to make him a fine example for America's youth.

The heavyweight bauble still regarded as the biggest prize in pro sports, should carry it with a responsibility. It is not only *owning* the crown, but how a man wears it. Here's a capsule look at how a champion conducted himself during his hey-day:

Lithuanian Jack Sharkey: An enigmatic and emotional sort

who gained tremendous popularity in Boston. Never involved in scandal. Now he's an expert fly fisherman living the quiet life in Vermont.

HOLLYWOOD HERE WE COME!

Hollywood is making a movie, "Once Around" about a Lithuanian American and an Italian American, starring Richard Dreyfuss and Holly Hunter, with Danny Aiello, Gene Rowlands and Laura San Giacomo in supporting roles. This production of Universal Studios was being filmed from February through April in the Boston area and in Durham, North Carolina. Father William Wolkovich (Valkavičius), Spiritual Advisor of C-27 Norwood, MA makes a cameo appearance, playing himself. He gets to pray and sing in Lithuanian. He also served as consultant on Lithuanian and religious aspects of the movie. The New York Production Office has advised that this family-rated film is being released on December 21, 1990. Watch your local TV listings for the time.

SUPPLIES OFF TO LITHUANIA.

More than 600 pounds of medical supplies bound for Lithuania was collected in the Genesee County, upstate New York, for a nationwide emergency airlift to the supply-starved Baltic nation. The supplies, including medication, syringes and other equipment, were sent to a central collection site just outside of Chicago. From the main location, a larger shipment will be flown to Hamburg, Germany, and loaded onto Soviet trucks bound for Lithuania. It is also known that Sen. Daniel Moynihan (D-NY) has introduced a bill that would allot \$10 million in humanitarian aid to Lithuania.



A Few Minutes with Andy Rooney

"Lithuania"

I keep wishing the United States would do what's right in the world instead of what seems smart. It would make things so much nicer for everyone.

We keep supporting the bad guys because we think it's good for us. It usually involves money or oil or a military base. It happened with Marcos in the Philippines. It happened with Noreiga in Panama.

Back in the bad old days when big countries had colonies...the Spanish sailed to Mexico and South America, for instance, took all the gold and went back home with it.

The British had Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India.

The French still have the island of Tahiti. It's a nice warm place but it costs the French a bundle.

A big country can't move in and take all the good stuff out of a smaller country anymore. Now, if a big country gets involved with a small country, it costs them.

The Philippines cost U.S. taxpayers millions just so we can have a naval base there and the people hate us. Who needs it?

Japan doesn't have an Empire and it's doing pretty good with nothing but its little island.

Right now the Soviet Union is making a dumb mistake with Lithuania. Here's Lithuania on a map. There are about four million people here...our Census Bureau misses more people than that.

Lithuania has had a terrible time trying to be its own country for centuries. They had a King once who married the Queen of Poland and he got to be King of both Lithuania and Poland.

But what does the Soviet Union want Lithuania for? Didn't the Russians learn anything in Afghanistan?

I'll bet Lithuania costs Russia money just the way Cuba does. The Soviets pay Cuba about seven times what their sugar's worth to support them.

Gorbachev has cut off Soviet oil now going to Lithuania. You know what's going to happen? A bunch of Russians in the oil business are going to say: "Hey, Mikhail. These Lithuanians are paying us big rubles for that oil, you know. You're killing us."

I think President Bush ought to stop talking about talking and say to Gorbachev: "Look. Read my lips. Do yourself a favor. These people want to be free. Let them be free."

I mean, the days of Empire are over, Fellows.

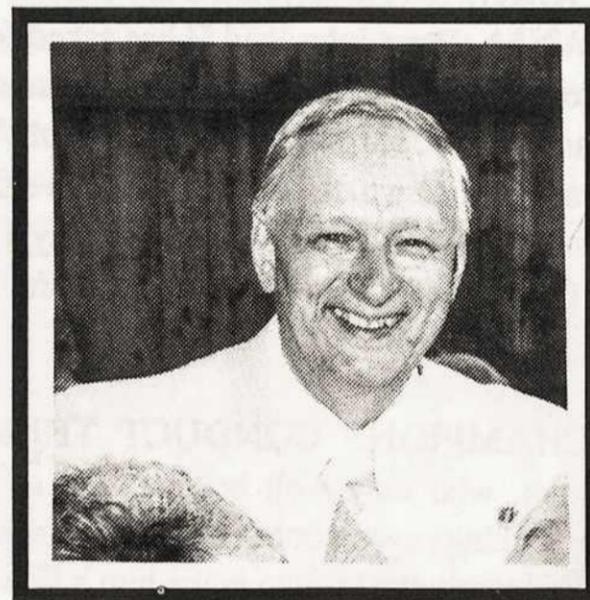
In Memoriam

JOHN L. PAUKSTIS

† July 24, 1990

Council 24's member, John L. Paukstis, passed to his eternal reward on July 24, 1990. It can be said that John had never met a man or woman who didn't like him. He never had an unkind word for anyone.

Being very proud of his Lithuanian heritage, John worked hard and very diligently at promoting and preserving Lithuanian culture. He was responsible for reactivating Council 24, Chicago, and bringing in many new Lithuanian members. He was very proud of hosting the very successful K of L convention in 1984 at the Conrad Hilton Hotel. There was always time to be active in many civic and community organizations along with his job as supervisor with the Chicago Building Dept. Being a veteran of World War II, he became active with the American Legion, served as Commander of Darius and Girenas Post 271 and was Cook County Commander of the American Legion in 1959. John also served as a Circuit Court bailiff with the late Judge Alfonse Wells. A graduate of



DeLasalle Institute, John was alumni president for three terms.

Upon marrying Lillian Twardy, they raised two children, John and Marcella Dockas. There are seven grandchildren.

John had a deep and abiding faith in God and our consolation now is that he is at peace and resting in the home of the Lord. 🍏

AWAKENING LITHUANIA

SECOND REVISED PRINTING

An interesting and very readable, comprehensive book, which explores the elements and forces in the development of - The National Awakening of the Lithuanian People.

The author, Dr. Jack J. Stukas, utilized his doctoral dissertation at New York University, "THE RISE OF MODERN LITHUANIAN NATIONALISM," for the major portion of the book.

The late JOSEPH KAJECKAS, former Charge d' Affaires a.i. of Lithuania, in Washington, DC in his foreword to the first edition of the book, wrote:

"...Lithuania's period of independent life between the two World Wars was not an historical fluke, but something to which Lithuania had long aspired, and for which her people had prepared through long years and even centuries of hardship Lithuania, even from the dawn of her history, has always sought to be a distinct entity among peoples. It is this

crucial matter of a nation's right to freely express self-identity that Dr. Stukas' excellent book most admirably documents.

Lithuania's fate is a still developing paradigm of human hopes and fears, a challenge to lovers of freedom and a testing ground of the ability of lasting human values to prevail. How this paradigm came to be is eloquently and painstakingly described in Dr. Stukas' excellent book; it deserves not only the praise of those who champion 'keeping the record straight,' but a wide reading as well."

The late REV. PETER P. ČINIKAS, former Superior of the Marian Hills Seminary, Clarendon Hills, Illinois, stated:

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U.S. Congressman Richard J. Durbin becomes a member of Knights of Lithuania C-5 Chicago

Cong. Durbin is the first elected official of national prominence and of Lithuanian descent to become a member of our organization, together with his wife, Loretta. His mother was born in Jurbarkas, Lithuania. He visited that city recently when he made an official visit there with other congressional members to discuss matters of state between the United States and Lithuania.

After Michael Gorbachev's visit with Pres. Bush and their agreement on aiding Communist Russia with U.S. technology, wheat and considerations on other items, Congressman Durbin, together with other members in Congress, passed a House Bill stating that no technical aid is to be given to Russia until there was an agreed dialogue between the Communists and Lithuania as to Freedom for Lithuania, plus resolving the immigration of Jews to other countries.

Since his visit to Lithuania, Congressman Durbin's interest in the welfare of that country has intensified. We are happy to report that many Senators have expressed their support for

Lithuania.

Welcome, Cong. Durbin to the Knights. We know your fine work in Congress and your ability to express yourself so convincingly, your political career is just starting.



Congressman Richard J. Durbin

LITHUANIAN VOCABULARY - ŽODYNAS

Food and Drink - Maistas ir gėrimai

<u>English</u>	<u>Lithuanian</u>	<u>Pronunciation</u>
Bacon	lašiniai	lah'sheeniai
beef	jautiena	yau'ten'ah
bottle	butelis	boo'talees
bread	duona	duo'nah
brown	juoda	juo'dah
new, white	šviežia, balta	shvy'ehzhiah, bahl'tah
rolls	bulkutės	boolkoo'tehs
bread and milk	duona ir pienas	duonah eer pee'eh'nahs
breakfast	pusrytis	poos'ree'htees
butter	sviestas	svyehs'tahs
cake	pyragas	pee'rah'gahs
cheese	sūris	soo'rees
cream	grietinė	gry'ehtee'neh
drink	gėrimas	gehree'mahs
beer	alus	ah'loos
brandy	degtinė	dagtee'neh
chocolate	šokoladas	shokolah'dahs
coffee, black	kava, juoda	kahvah juodah
tea	arbata	ahrbah'tah
water	vanduo	vahnduo
wine	vynas	veeh'nahs
egg	kiaušinis	kiowshee'nees
fat riebali	reh'bah'lai	
flour	miltai	meel'tai
gingerbread	pipirninkas	peepeer'neen'kahs
ham	kumpis	koom'pees
grill, broil, to	kepti; virti	kap'tee; veer'tee
honey	medus	madoos
hunger, thirst	alkis; troškulys	ahl'kees; troshkoo'leehs
iceledas	la'dahs	
ice cream	ledai	la'dai
jam	uogienė	uogyee'neh
kidneys	inkstai	eenkstai
lamb	aviena	avyeeh'nah
meat	mėsa	meh'sah
boiled	virta	veer'tah
roast	kepta	kap'tah
mustard	garstyčios	gahr'stee'chos
omelet	kiaušiniene	kiow'sheen'yee'neh
onion	svagūnas	svogoo'nahs
oil alyva; aliejus	ahleeh'vah; ahlyei'yoos	
pepper	pipirai	peepee'rai
pork	kiauliena	kiowleh'nah

English

<u>English</u>	<u>Lithuanian</u>	<u>Pronunciation</u>
pudding	pudingas	poo'deeng'ahs
rice	ryžiai	reeh'zhiai
salad	salotai	sah'lo'tai
salt	druska	droos'kah
sausage	dešra	dash'rah
soup	sriuba	sroo'bah
sugar	cukrus	tsook'roos
supper	vakariene	vah'kah'reh'neh
veal	veršiena	varsh'eh'nah
vegetables	daržovės	dahrz'ho'vehs

Cooking and Table Utensils

Virimo ir stalo reikmenys

Cork screw	atkištuvas	aht'keeshtoo'vahs
cup	puodukas	puodoo'kahs
fork	šakutės	shahkoo'tehs
frying pan	keptuvas	kaptoo'vahs
glass	stiklas	steek'lahs
knife	peilis	pay'lees
napkin	servetelė	serva'teh'leh
plate	lekštė	lehk'sh'teh
matches	degtukai	dagtoo'kai
spoon	šaukštas	shouk'sh'tahs
stove	pečius	pach'us
table cloth	staltiesė	stahl'tee'seh
teapot	arbatninkas	ahrbah'tneen'kahs
teaspoon	šaukštelis	showk'shte'lees
tray	padėklas	pah'deh'klahs

Dress - Apdaras

Boot	batas	bah'tahs
brush	šepetys	shepa'teehs
button	saga; sagutė	sah'gah; sah'goo'teh
cap	kepurė	kepoo'reh
clothes	drabužiai	drahboo'zhai
coat	švarkas	shvahr'kahs
collar	apikaklė	ahpee'kahkleh
comb	šukos	shoo'kos
cotton	medvilnė	ma'dveel'neh
dress	suknelė	sook'nah'leh
gloves	pirštinės	peersh'teen'ehs
handkerchief	nosinė	no'seeneh
needle	adata	ah'dah'tah
pin	špilka	shpeel'kah
pocket	kišenė	keesha'neh
purse	piniginė	peeneege'neh

Serving Lithuania through the Lithuanian Foundation

Ramona Steponavicius-Stephens, C-13 Chicago

There are basically two types of organizations. The first is inflexible: deaf to the herald of modern developments and limited to reiterating its pride in past accomplishments. The second, never content with its past record, not only accepts change to a constant, but initiates it as well. The prospects of the first organization are dimmed by outdated methods, a mounting apprehension of the future, and a stingy, egocentric approach toward "outsiders". The horizon of the second organization-type is in steady expansion. Since future-orientation is considered a necessity, its non-elitist "inner circle" embraces new concepts and members. The first, constructed on and of sand, is eroded away by the winds of time, while the second erects ever taller towers on a solid stone base.

Fortunately, the Lithuanian Foundation exemplifies the second, more desirable type of organization. Its leadership enters a new decade prepared, to the best of its ability and in adherence to Foundation Bylaws, to extend a hand to the reborn Lithuanian nation. This verbal promise has already manifested itself in concrete ways.

Late spring and early summer are invariably hectic at the Lithuanian Foundation. For several weeks, each Grants Committee member is perched on the edge of his/her seat in anticipation of scooping up a personalized mountain of xeroxed grant applications. The metaphor is not pure exaggeration: this year the Foundation received 122 annotated and annexed requests for aid from both individuals and organizations—a sum in excess of \$1 million. Diligent and time-consuming home-study of this documentation assures that limited funds are properly allocated. This year this monumental task was undertaken by Grants Committee chairman, Povilas Kilius, Lithuanian Community of the USA delegates Dr. Petras Kisielius, Sr. (secretary), Ausrele Liulevicius, Robert Vitas and Arvydas Tamulis (substitute) and Lithuanian Foundation Board of Directors' appointees Dr. Gediminas Balukas, Marija Remys and Daina Kojelis (substitute).

One million dollars in project proposals and scholarship requests had to be whittled down to a mere \$250,000 (Foundation annual profits approval for allocation by the Board) with the addition of \$15,955 in undistributed past funds. The harsh reality of the situation provokes nightmares even months later. The burden of the Grants Committee, however, was decreased somewhat by the Scholarships Subcommittee: Povilas Kilius (in the chairman's dual role), Vytenis Kirvelaitis, Diana Kojelis, Robert Vitas and Ramona Steponavicius. The Subcommittee is authorized to make recommendations to the Grants Committee which shoulders the responsi-

bility for the ultimate resolutions.

Scholarship applications must meet certain criteria. The student should exhibit an interest in his/her heritage through participation in Lithuanian activities or organizations. Academic achievement, extracurricular work, good recommendations and financial need also receive primary consideration. Although the final decision is not in the least influenced by the response, it is difficult not to glance at the question on the form which reads: Are you or your parents Lithuanian Foundation members? Of course, scholarship applicants from Lithuania and others in poor financial standing are not expected to answer in the affirmative. Nevertheless, even the smallest donation proves that an applicant's interest in the Foundation is not based solely upon personal benefit: there is a clearly-expressed desire to learn about and to take part in the Foundation's noble efforts.

Confirmed by the Lithuanian Foundation's Board of Directors on June 21 and formally presented at a press conference on July 11, the list of 1990 grants and scholarship recipients is truly impressive. Many Lithuanian organizations collect money and, subsequently, advertise contributors' names in the daily press but few render their accounts as publicly or as completely as the Lithuanian Foundation. A detailed three-page hand-out summarized the endeavors of the past few months. Cultural preservation work (book publishing, research, competitions, festivals, exhibition and other fine arts projects) was given \$63,500 (24% of total allocations). Social affairs (institutions, youth organizations, human services, summer fellowships, the press, radio programs) received \$68,030 (26%). Lithuanian education earned the greatest support — an unprecedented 50% of the distributed funds: \$56,825 was apportioned to Lithuanian language schools, videos, audio cassettes and other teaching aids and \$77,600 went toward scholarships, including to those students attending Vasario 16 High School in West Germany and the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle Chair of Lithuanian Studies.

By far this year's largest Lithuanian Foundation cultural and educational investment was in Lithuania and her future. With the appropriate Western training, Lithuania's own youth can be at the forefront of the restoration of a democratic government and the rebuilding of her backward economy. Over half of the scholarships were distributed to students from Lithuania. About \$51,000, or 20% of total allocations, will be fostering Lithuania's needs.

It is quite possible that the Foundation will be called upon

to part with an even larger sum next year. At the 27th Annual Lithuanian Foundation Members' Meeting, a motion was made to withdraw \$1 million of the Foundation's capital for the cultural and educational needs of the new Lithuanian state. The attending members voted to start the procedures for the transfer and empowered the Board of Directors to enact this resolution. Therefore, discussion of this proposition became the first order of business at the Board meeting on June 21. One common denominator emerged from the voiced viewpoints of every Board member: according to the Foundation Statutes, the fixed capital is to remain untouched until the restoration of a free Lithuania (while only the interest realized from it can be used for ethnic preservation activities.) Lithuanian Foundation money can only be granted to an independent, non-Soviet Lithuanian. The motherland does not yet exercise full sovereignty: her destiny, especially in regard to Gorbachev and the unstable Soviet political machine, is doubtful. Thus, the Board chose to postpone further debate and action on the matter until the next members' meeting, to which a special afternoon session will be added. This partial liquidation will have to be approved by a 3/4th majority vote of the members present at this special meeting. In the event of this resolution, the meeting participants will elect a Board of Trustees which will oversee the orderly transfer of assets, in accordance with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code.

The forthcoming \$1 million transfer accentuates how

little time remains to achieve another long-sought goal. The Lithuanian Foundation is short by \$145,000 of its \$5 million mark. The Foundation was fortunate to have received twice this amount during the first half of this year. Without question, with the participation of its present membership and the addition of new members, this goal can be realized by the end of the year. The motivation is simple: the greater the number of contributions received now, the greater the amount distributed later. The sooner this summit is conquered, the sooner the Foundation's 6300-plus members will have the satisfaction of seeing their hard-earned dollars working toward the restructuring of Lithuania's educational system and the cultivation of its cultural life.

A structurally and ethically sound organization deserves esteem for more reasons than previously mentioned. Ideally, such an organization is not just accountable to its membership: it also demonstrates its dedication to the furthering of society as a whole. As with other organizations, the multifaceted success of the Lithuanian Foundation is not accredited solely to its various chairmen and committees: the greatest honor belongs to the individual members without whom there would be no Lithuanian Foundation. "If you leave the world a better place...If you ease the burden of but one soul — consider your life worthwhile." (Anonymous). Inquiries for information on fundable proposals or tax-deductible donations are invited. Write to the Lithuanian Foundation, 3009 West 59 Street, Chicago, IL 60629.

NEW JERSEY BALTICS JOIN FORCES FOR BALTIC FREEDOM

To establish a unified approach toward helping the Baltic nations, representatives of the three Baltic American nationalities living in New Jersey recently established an organization to coordinate activities on the state and local level in the State of New Jersey. The organization calls itself the "New Jerseyans for Baltic Freedom". Objectives of the organization are:

- * To monitor Mass Media and insure that it fairly reports events in the Baltic States;
- * To conduct joint Congressional liaison on issues involving Baltic states;
- * To exchange ideas and information.

An acting slate of officers was chosen:

President: Priit Parming (Estonian)

Vice-Pres: Loretta Stukas (Lithuanian)

Sec'y: Ligita Rafaels (Latvian)

Others attending the initial meeting were: Vincas M. Vyzas

(Lithuanian), Ilmar Aasmaa (Estonian), Dr. Jack Stukas (Lithuanian), Julianna Liana (Lithuanian), Gina Zingerman (Lithuanian), Lembit Savi (Estonian) and Paul Blumberg (Latvian).

The "New Jerseyans for Baltic Freedom" plan to establish local chapters throughout the state or otherwise integrate the work of Estonian, Latvian and Lithuanian activities in New Jersey. The status of the current New Jersey Congressional delegation and their views toward Baltic questions will be studied, lists of Baltic activists will be exchanged, and mass media coverage of Baltic events will be reviewed on an ongoing basis.

The first major event planned by the group is a Baltic Dinner-Dance, during which two legislators from New Jersey will be honored. US Senator Bill Bradley and Congressman Christopher Smith will be cited for their outstanding activities in Congress on behalf of the Baltic States. The event was scheduled on Oct. 26 at the Lithuanian Community

Center in Kearny, NJ. Besides awards, the event included a cultural program, dinner and dancing. The event provided a good opportunity for New Jersey Baltics to become acquainted.

This new organization is intended to be a tool for network-

ing the many Baltic groups that already exist, and coordinate efforts toward achieving the goal common to all — helping ALL THREE NATIONS achieve the independence which they so richly deserve.

Loretta Stukas

LETTERS

THANK YOU'S

Gerbiami Vyčiai:

Ačiū už Vytis. Sia metų esu gaves 3 numerius. Dieve, laimink jūsų darbą. Su meile,

*Kun. Sigitas Tamkevičius,
Kunigų Seminarija, Kaunas*

Dear Knights of Lithuania:

Thank you for deeming me worthy of this scholarship. I was very happy to receive this honor because my Lithuanian heritage has been important to me throughout my life.

Thank you once again and God Bless you! Peace.

Karen Domalakes

Travelers' Tales II

On a sign in a Bucharest hotel lobby:
The lift is being fixed for the next day. During that time we regret that you will be unbearable.

From a Japanese information booklet about using a hotel air conditioner:
Cooler and Heater: If you want just condition of warm in your room, please control yourself.

In an Acapulco hotel: The manager has personally passed all the water served here.

A Prayer for Hope

by Anna Helen McDonald

As I knelt in prayer, my thoughts seemed to wander
As I saw our "Sorrowful Lord", I began to ponder
I saw a rose among so many thorns growing beautifully there
I felt it was like our Lithuania — struggling — praying for care
Raising its head — so determined to survive and blossom
Oh Lord, the vision was so vivid, it was awesome
God in his wisdom put this precious thing to a test
Just like his Son — so must our land suffer in its quest
Down deep inside — a shiver went down my spine
And a soft whisper was heard — "Victory will be Thine."
If anyone was put to a test in faith and determination
Our homeland, Lithuania, has become a strengthened nation.
Please help them grow in faith and love,
Guard them, protect them, watch over from above,
Bring them from the darkness out into the sun,
Let them ultimately reach their goal, precious freedom won.
May my prayer be answered — with millions of others
Freedom for our loved ones —
Moms and Dads, Sisters and Brothers.

Pope Clears Way for Hometown Saint

Pope John Paul II has cleared the way to sainthood for Carmelite Father Jozef Kalinowski, a 19th century Lithuanian who lived much of his life in the Pope's home town and who was once an anti-Russian rebel. Before ordination, Father Kalinowski was one of the leaders of the unsuccessful 1863 insurrection against Russia. At the time, Lithuania was part of the Grand Duchy of Poland, which in turn was part of the Russian Empire. The Vatican announced this decision in July, saying the Pope had approved a miracle attributed to Father Kalinowski's intercession. He was beatified in 1983 and required only approval of a miracle to qualify for sainthood. *Long Island Catholic*

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Lithuanian Kitchen

Lietuviška Virtuvė

LAŠINUOČIA - Bacon Buns

1 cup milk	4-1/4 cup flour
1 pkg. dry yeast	1/2 lb. bacon, finely chopped
1/2 cup melted butter	1 onion, finely chopped
1/2 cup sugar	1/4 tsp. black pepper
2 eggs, lightly beaten	1 egg yolk combined with one
1 tsp. salt	teaspoon water

Heat milk to 110° (lukewarm); stir in yeast and pinch of sugar. Allow to proof around 15 mins.

In a mixing bowl, combine butter, sugar, eggs, salt; stir in the yeast mixture. Add flour to make soft dough. Knead until all ingredients are well blended. Cover; let rise for about 45 mins.

Combine bacon, onion, pepper in small bowl. Divide dough in half; cut each piece into 24 small pieces. Form each piece into small ball; press thumb into center of dough and spoon in about 1/2 tsp. bacon mixture. Enclose dough around filling and reshape into an egg size roll. Place rolls seam side down onto a cookie sheet. Cover, let rise 15 mins. Brush roll surface with egg yolk mixture.

Bake at 350° until lightly browned - 15-18 mins. Makes 48 buns. Cool. Store in plastic bag. Bernice (Juršenas) Feliss

LITHUANIAN FISH SALAD

<u>Sauce</u>	<u>Fish</u>
1 Tbsp. oil	1/2-1 lb. fish fillets
3/4 cup sliced onion	1 egg lightly beaten
1/4 red pepper, sliced	1/4 cup flour, seasoned with
1/2 tsp. paprika	salt and pepper
1/2 tsp. oregano	1 Tbsp. oil
1/8 tsp. cayenne pepper	
1-1/2 cup canned tomatoes	
1 bay leaf	

Sauce: Saute onion and red pepper in oil for 3-4 mins. Add paprika, oregano, cayenne and cook a few seconds. Add tomatoes and bay leaf; simmer uncovered for 15 mins.

Wash and dry fish; cut into pieces about 3" wide and 5" long. Dip fish into egg, then into flour. Heat oil in frying pan and saute fillets 1 - 2 mins. on each side or until done. To serve, place a layer of sauce on bottom of souffle dish; add a layer of fish; cover with sauce, continue until all is used up ending with a layer of sauce.

The Miami Herald

KUGELIS - Potato Pudding

5 lbs. peeled potatoes	2 Tbsp. Bisquick
1 large onion	2 Tbsp. flour
4 eggs	2 cups milk, scalded
salt, pepper to taste	2 sticks melted butter or
margarine	

Grate potatoes and onion; drain off liquid. Pour scalded milk over potatoes. Add flour, Bisquick, melted butter, eggs, salt and pepper, mixing well. Pour into baking pan. Place in 400° oven for 15 minutes. Lower heat to 375° and bake for 45 minutes or until done.

Elsie Ozalis

NO-KNEAD LITHUANIAN PYRAGAS

1-1/2 cup milk	1/2 tsp. salt
1/4 lb. butter or margarine	1 dry yeast package
1/2 cup sugar	5 cups flour
3 eggs	1/2 cup Raisins (optional)
1 tsp. vanilla	

Heat milk to 110° (lukewarm), stir in yeast and pinch of sugar. Allow to proof about 15 mins.

In mixing bowl, add eggs, butter, sugar, eggs, salt and vanilla; stir in the yeast mixture. Add flour, stirring until mixture is moist and well blended. Add raisins. Mix well. Pour in two well greased and floured loaf pans. Let rise in warm place until pan is full - approximately 1-1/2 hours. Bake in 350° oven for about 30 minutes or until golden brown. Serve with lots of butter. DELICIOUS!

CABBAGE LEAF BANDUKES

6 medium size potatoes	4 eggs
1/2 tsp. salt	8 large cabbage leaves
1/2 cup flour	or more if needed
1 small onion	

Grate potatoes and onion, then mix salt, flour and eggs in the grated potatoes. Spread on washed and dried cabbage leaves about 1/4" thick. Bake in oven at 370° until done. Serve with sour cream or browned pork side and onions in butter; pour on top after bleanies are cut in squares

Helen King - With Our Blessings Cookbook.



Council Activities

Vyčiai Veikia

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

Brockton C-1 hosted the NED Fall Meeting on Sept. 23. A more beautiful day would have been difficult to find for this worthy gathering of Knights from eleven New England councils.

A Lithuanian Mass celebrated at St. Casimir's Church began the day's activities. In the church hall, a beautiful array of tasty treats awaited everyone. Spiritual advisor Rev. Shakalis opened the meeting with a welcoming greeting and prayer. Pres. Al Akule led us in the singing of the American and Lithuanian Anthems. A solemn moment was observed and a prayer was said for the repose of the souls of all deceased members, especially for Dr. Peter Bizinkauskas, who was laid to rest only the day before. As Rev. Al Janiunas said, "Two great leaders, Peter Bizinkauskas and Al Jaritis, were lost within a year's time. May they rest in peace."

The recording secretary's report read by Ann Bender was very thorough. She received a round of applause for her fine work. Waterbury and Westfield were scheduled co-hosts for the Cultural

Festival at Marionis Park held on Oct. 21. After reading the treasurer's report, Marion Hobitz began a discussion regarding the need for financial support for seminarians, clergy and churches in Lithuania. Victor Mathieu informed us that in 1989 St. Casimir's Guild was set up for just that purpose, headed by Robert Boris of Detroit. A donation of \$100 was approved.

Andrew Akstin, cultural chairman from Worcester, gave a detailed report on his unbelievable and frustrating experiences with the leaders of three major Lithuanian organizations. In his effort to unite all Lithuanians to send medical aid to Lithuania prior to the Summit Meeting of Pres. Bush and Gorbachev, a ship loaded in a Copenhagen warehouse with much needed medical supplies valued at \$30,000 was to be sent to Lithuania. Leaders of Lithuanian organizations were contacted and all agreed to the need with promises of full cooperation and financial support. When all arrangements were completed, with telephone calls mounting to \$1,300, Andy contacted the various organizations only to learn that the enthusiastic

supporters now said they had no money for the project. They left him in debt and frustrated. The membership voted to give Andy \$500 toward his expenses.

It is time for all councils to send Christmas greetings in VYTIS. The District voted for a full page ad for \$100.00. Annual retreat will again be held in Kennebunkport, ME on June 21-23, 1991. Reservations must be made through Helen Dallalis.

Officers and committees for 1990-91 are as follows: Alexander Akule, pres.; Benedict Coach, 1st vice pres.; Wm. Wisniauskas, 2nd vice pres.; Ignatius Hobitz, 3rd vice pres.; John Grenda-Lukas, recording sec.; Bertha Stoskus, corres. sec.; Marion Hobitz, treas.; Helen Dallalis, Frank Peterson, trustees; Andrew Akstin, Lith. affairs; Nellie Ruggles, cultural; Aldona Marcavage, pub. relations; Stanley Dallalis, Irene Tamulevich, sports; George Barton, Marion Racicot, Rita Pinkus, ritual; Longinas Svelnis, Audrey Toole, archives; Aldona Keaney, Lith. Cath. Religious Aid; Blanche Genaitis, Chairlady, Eva Ball, Bronė Wisniauskas, scholarship; Victor Mathieu, parliamentarian. *Aldona Marcavage*

C-3 PHILADELPHIA, PA

C-3 had a successful bus trip to the Lithuanian Festival in Baltimore in June. All participants had a wonderful time. The weather, also, cooperated.

The following thirteen members attended the National Convention in Pittsburgh: Helen Shields, Jewel Ushka, Irene Ozalis, Lillian Greymas, Julie Kowrak, Ausra Macknys, Victor Stepalovitch, Irene & Walter Svekla, Diane & Joe Drumsta and John & Agnes Mickunas. All had a wonderful time and congratulate the Pittsburgh council for their hospitality and a job well done. We are now looking forward to next year's convention in St. Petersburg Beach, FL.



NED Retreatants in Kennebunkport: Helen Zabelskis, Stacia Yesinskas, Anne Vaichus and Flo Mockus of C-7 Waterbury, CT.

We are anticipating a great fall season with new ideas and projects. One of our projects was a casino visit in Atlantic City in October when our own Ann Jillian appeared at Trump Plaza.

Pres. Victor Stepalovitch travelled to Frackville on Aug. 12 to attend the Mass and banquet honoring Msgr. Bartkus on his 25th anniversary in the priesthood.

C-10 ATHOL-GARDNER, MA

Our council held their annual summer barbecue on July 20 at the Lithuanian Country Club in Gardner with a goodly number of members in attendance. Swimming, boating and just socializing were enjoyed.

Helen Simkunas entertained her nephew, Algis Kemzura, from Kaunas for 33 days this past summer. Dr. Henry Gailunas, our local Athol dentist, also entertained a cousin from Kaunas.

C-10 welcomes newly installed pastor of St. Francis, Rev. Joseph Mesier. We officially met him at our Sept. meeting.

We were deeply saddened to hear of the death of Dr. Peter Bizinkauskas of Brockton. Our deep sympathy is extended to his wife, Veronica, and children and also to his elderly mother who has buried two sons. May he rest in peace.

Best wishes are sent to Pauline Melika of Athol who reached the age of 96. Daughters Nell and Anne are staunch K of L'ers. Paulinai, linkimė stiprai su-laukti 100 metų.

Lil Kuzmeskas is attending Smith College in Northampton on a full scholarship. Best of luck, Lil!

Council members attended the NED Fall Meeting in Brockton. Elected were Bill Wisniauskas, second vice president; Blanche Genaitis and Bronė Wisniauskas, scholarship committee. Thank you, Brockton, for a great day and nice hospitality.

We wish all Vytis staff and readers a happy Thanksgiving holiday.

Vincukas

C-12 NEW YORK, NY

It is hard to believe that it is the end of a very busy year. As usual, we celebrated St. Casimir's and our Lithuanian Independence Day on Feb. 16. In June, we all left for our vacations with a promise to meet in Pittsburgh. About 20 of us enjoyed this 99-44/100% perfect convention. Chairmen, John Baltrus and David Wenslovas and their committee, did a wonderful job.

Alice (Zupko) Haskins from C-12 received her fourth degree. Our Pres. Ed Cook was absent and we missed him. Understand he attended Camp Dainava to brush up on his Lithuanian.



C-12 Manhattan: Helen Cuprewich, John Antanavicius, Betty Janonis, Millie Pietz, Helen Yurkus and Joseph Kscensaitis.

Ten members attended the MAD meeting in Amsterdam, NY on Sept. 30. Each time we visited this city, we enjoyed it even greater. A big AČIU LABAI to Rev. Baltch and C-100.

A happy Thanksgiving to all.

Dalia Bulvicius

C-24 CHICAGO, IL

As memories of summer still linger with us, let's reflect on a few events.

Our dearly beloved John Paukstis

was called home by the Lord on July 24, 1990. His warm smile and energy will be missed by all his friends. We loved you, John, for all you did for the Knights of Lithuania. Condolences to his wife Lillian and family.

June 28 was the "Day at the Races" for C-24. Many thanks to members and friends who supported by attending. It was a successful and fun evening.

Loretta Simon, Clare O'Dea, Aušra Padalino and Rachael Jurgaitis spent time in the hospital this past summer. Happy recoveries and stay healthy.

We are delighted that Gail Butts, daughter of Nijolė, won a \$2,500 scholarship from the Knights of Lithuania. She will be attending St. Xavier College

and studying to be a nurse. Congratulations and many kudos. You have made all of us very proud of you.

During the K of L Convention in Pittsburgh, our Father Peter Cibulskis was nominated on the Resolutions Committee. He enjoyed the river cruise and told us about the many changes in the town of Pittsburgh along with the highlights of the convention. *Bitė*

C-25 CLEVELAND, OH

Our Council was very inactive during the summer months. Members traveled all over the country. Joe & Ann Ivoska went on a cruise to Mexico. Dick & Jean Marks visited their daughter Mary Beth in Sacramento, CA. Vince & Marion Gray went to Iowa to visit family. Bill & Helen Jakubs toured the USA in their new motor home. Jim & Joan Thompson spent a couple weeks at Cape



C-25 Cleveland, Bruno & Agnes Bartkus celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Cod, MA. The Grays, Marks and Oberaitis all went to the National Convention in Pittsburgh. From all reports, they had a wonderful time at a great convention.

Many members attended the Lithuanian Club's annual picnic at the Croatian Farm in Chesterland on Aug. 19. It was a very large picnic with Lithuanians coming from near and far.

Bruno & Agnes Bartkus celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Their children sent them off to Hawaii for a couple of weeks. John & Helen Garnis also celebrated their 50th. Congratulations to both couples for achieving such an important milestone in their lifetime.

Tune into the Lithuanian radio hour each Sunday morning on 88.7 FM. You

can brush up on your Lithuanian language. Again, proudly display your Lithuanian stickers. Sveikas.

Joe Ivoska

C-26 WORCESTER, MA

The topic for our spiritual director's talks at each meeting over the past year was "The Purgative State of Spiritual Life." You're missing a great spiritual opportunity if you do not attend the meetings to listen to Fr. John.

Congratulations to our pastor, Rev. Vincent Parulis, MIC who was honored on Oct. 7 on the happy occasion of 45 years in the priesthood. Warmest of welcomes to our newest members: Nell Dailida of Worcester and her daughter Barbara Scola and her son, Jere from Kennebunkport.

All activity starts with the onset of autumn. Gerry Paliliunas is seeking bowlers for

the new season. Give her a call. Adele Degutis and Edwina Ginkus have been swimming at the Girls Club Pool while Ann Buckley and daughter Marilyn have been volunteers at the Pool for many years. Claire Grigaitis, Adele & Frances Degutis traveled to Boston to see the currently popular play "Nunsense". Aldona Waska, Victoria Augustine, Rita Karrytais and Lillian Kondrotas took a jaunt to Montreal for a Labor Day weekend. Alena Burch spent part of her vacation visiting her dad, Ted Pinkus, while mother Rita attended the national convention.

A daughter was born to Eduardas and Terese Meilus in Sept. Their little family now consist of Antanukas, Jurate and Sigutė. Arthur & Marion Racicot

have a new grandchild which means Bart & Marion March have a new great-grandchild. Congratulations to all. Marion March had a fall in her home suffering broken bones. We wish her complete and rapid recovery. Also, Ruth & Leonard Ramsdell have a new grandchild. Leonard has been ill, however, so our best wishes for good health sooner than soon go out to him.

Prayerful sympathies go to Helen Gillus. Her son died in Sept.

Regina Cummings was cited at the last meeting for the terrific job shes does with public relations.

At the kind invitation of Kazys Adomavicius, our monthly meetings will continue to be held at Maironis Park. Reason? Church hall renovations!

"OLGA"

C-41 BROOKLYN, NY

It is always a pleasure to visit Annunciation parish in Brooklyn. On May 6, the pleasure was doubled, because C-41 celebrated its 75th birthday. The celebration began with a concelebrated Mass by the Bishop of Telšiai, Antanas Vaičius, past pastor Rev. Jonas Pakalniskis and the present pastor, Rev. Vytautas Palubinskas. Readings were done by Pres. Bill Kumeta. About 100 Knights and guests gathered in the beautifully decorated hall. Bishop Vaičius gave the invocation. Bill Kumeta spoke briefly about the council's history. Other greetings were from Rev. Pakalniskis, Rev. Palubinskas, MAD Pres. John Adomenas and HM Joseph Boley. The main speaker was HM Dr. Jack Stukas. He particularly commended Bill Kumeta for revitalizing C-41. A loud "valio" greeted former spiritual advisor, Rev. Daniel Staniskis, who at present is stationed in a New Jersey parish.

Much singing followed with the cutting of an anniversary cake. Much thanks was expressed to KASA, LITAS and



C-41 Pres. Bill Kumeta with Telšiai bishop Antanas Vaičius at 75th Anniversary.

VYTIS Travel Agency for helping C-41 in their endeavors.

Dalia Bulvicius

C-50 NEW HAVEN, CT

In attendance at the 77th National Convention in Pittsburgh, the city with the Golden Triangle, were Frank & Isabel Peterson, Mary Geipel, Magdalen Cronin, Helen Medley, Eleanor Dopkus, Charles Zaremskas and Al & Ann Gedrim. Congratulations to Frank Peterson who was re-elected to the office of national treasurer.

On Aug. 12 we again had our annual picnic at beautiful Fort Hale Park which was for members only. As usual, it was a day well spent to whatever your heart desired - eating, grilling, singing, dancing or sports. On Aug. 19 our annual St. Casimir's Lithuanian Festival was held at the Polish National American Park in Wallingford. Marion Meshako was chairlady. The Vetra Dancers performed. It was a great turnout and wonderful to see the members working toward a bigger and better festival.

Helen Balchus

C-52 ELIZABETH, NJ

Our council in cooperation with Sts. Peter & Paul Church engaged in the demonstrations for Lithuanian freedom. In addition, letters were sent to legislators and responses were received from many of the politicians. Stanley Valatka showed slides of the demonstrations, parades and Mass at St. Patrick's in NYC on Sept. 24.

Sts. Peter & Paul parish is sponsoring a trip to Disneyworld in Orlando, FL on April 26-May 3, 1991.

Sad to note that Liberty Savings & Loan of Elizabeth ends an era of history in Elizabeth when it closed its door to business on July 30.

C-63 LEHIGH VALLEY, PA

After our May 20 council meeting, Trudi Simmons conducted a Lithuanian language class for 15 members. It was the pilot class in an effort to establish a long-sought language program. Trudi is a native Lithuanian who speaks without Anglicism. We appreciate her efforts and the time she devotes to the program. C-63 definitely needs a Lithuanian "mokytoja".

The following new members are welcomed: Helen Bixler, Constance Mulligan, Paul & Evelyn Harryn, Francis & Delores Connelly, Catherine Gaudesh, Bernard & Anita Sodaitis, Victor and Lenke Ulba.

Other members who have been ailing, some hospitalized all are recuperating include Mary Sabol, Frances Gatti, Jenny Freeman, Margaret Turner and Regina Tragus. We wish them all good health and look forward to their partici-

pation in council activities.

On June 2, 42 members and guests chartered a bus to Washington and participated in demonstrating for Lithuania's independence. They put their share of pepper into Gorbachev's soup after which they visited Arlington National Cemetery, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and Our Lady of Siluva Chapel at the National Shrine where they attended Mass. Joe Simmons even got to shake the hand of Lithuanian Pres. Landsbergis' son. Andy & Adele Keraga provided the impetus for the singing and good time everyone enjoyed on the bus.

On July 14, 15 and 16, the council operated their potato pancake and sausage stand at Bethlehem's Christmas City Fair. The weather was excellent and business was brisk because our reputation for good potato pancakes preceded us and the customers were constantly lined up. Despite operating two stoves, we could not make the pancakes fast enough. This project is the council's biggest money maker. Thanks to all members who participated for a job well done. A special thanks is extended to Liz Carey, chairlady for the event. It was the second consecutive year that she volunteered to lead the troops with all the accompanying headaches.

The following eight members attended the National Convention in Pittsburgh: Ed & Heidi Klova, Bob & Louise Klova, Nellie Shirock, Walter Balchunas, Nora Barcoucky and Jane Lutick. Nora Barcoucky's son, Leonard, was among the host council's key organizers of the convention. Lenny, as we know him, is a past president of C-63. He and his crew did a terrific job, according to our delegates.

Joseph Ogint



C-74 SCRANTON, PA

Congratulations to Casimir Yanish on receiving his Fourth Degree at the 77th National Convention.

Our deepest condolences go out to Ann Lisowski on the death of her husband. Ann & Tony recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. May he rest in peace. Our friend Joseph Sabaitis died on Sept. 7. He served as a Eucharistic Minister at St. Joseph's Church. He was also responsible for the beautiful wayside cross that is now at the Anthracite Museum. Amžina atilsi!

Congratulations to our new Monsignor. Fr. Peter Madus, our spiritual advisor, was recently elevated to Monsignor. Best wishes, Msgr. Madus.

Marie Laske

C-79 SOUTHFIELD, MI

With vacations but memories, in cooperation with the Women's Alliance, we hosted our annual Luncheon and Card Party on Sept. 19. Attendees enjoyed the delicious catered meal by Kristina, a non-parishioner, but very popular with the various parish organizations. Winners of the money raffle were V. Snigier, first prize; council member's daughter Wanda Kempf's daughter Marcia, second prize; and Julia Janson, third prize. With 50 door prizes, the majority went home with one. We thank Helen Curtis, Maggie Smailis and Bertha Janus for many of them.

During Mass at Divine Providence on Sept. 30, a beautiful wood carving was dedicated and blessed by Fr. Victor Krisčiunevičius. The sculpture depicts an image of Archbishop George Matulaitis' features beside a likeness of Blessed Mary. She seems to be smiling at the Archbishop. The busts are on the wall of a niche in the church and were the gift of member Vincent Bridgevaitis in memory of his brother Julius who passed away last year. Incidentally,

another impressive wood carving hangs on the same wall - a portrayal of the "Hill of Crosses". It was donated posthumously by Vicki Chapelonis, one of our council's long remembered members. Just a glance at the imposing scene provokes one to pause and say a prayer for her. We must proudly bring out-of-towners and non-parishioners to view these impressive works of art.

Our sick list at this time included Marie Kase, hospitalized at Sinai Hospital and Gerry Chaps, recuperating after surgery. Helen Petocki also deserves our prayers for the ill.

Our financial secretary, Stella Hotra and husband Walter, drove to Philadelphia for her brother Walter Mameniskis Oct. 5 marriage to Aušra Zerr. He is a member of Philadelphia C-3 and we extend our congratulations. *BJ*

C-96 DAYTON, OH

The Mid-Central District Spring Bowling Convention proved to be a huge success. Without the support from attendees of Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Detroit, it would not have been possible. The big "acių" goes out to Co-chairmen Joe Mantz and Joe Fletcher. These two fine gentlemen put together an excellent program.

The Friday night get together was chaired by Elena Mikalauskas and Irene Gecas. Fran Petkus and Eloise Berczelly took care of the coffee and donuts for the Saturday morning meeting. Saturday night's buffet was prepared by Kitty Prasmantas and Elaine Pacovsky. Annamarie Sluzas Berger, chairlady for the Saturday night Monte Carlo and her committee must be thanked for one of the most successful events of the weekend. Also, Stan Vaitkus did a great job putting everything together for the Sunday Mass.

The weekend festivities ended with the Bowling Banquet held at the Amber

Rose European Deli owned by our members Elinor Sluzas and Judy Petrokas. Special and well deserved congratulations to all who won trophies. Thanks to all who attended and all K of L'ers who helped make the activities so memorable.

The council's July meeting and picnic was a tremendous success. Special thanks goes to Kitty Prasmantas for the work she did in preparing the BBQ chicken and ribs. Thanks to her helpers Fritzie and George Mikalauskas. Thanks also to all members who brought covered dishes to share. No one went home hungry. Julie Himes Mantz must also be thanked for getting the cabin along with a discount for its use. Everyone was pleased with the facilities at Tom Cloud Park.

Reports were nothing but good from our delegates who attended the K of L National Convention in Pittsburgh. Irena Gecas and Elena Mikalauskas were perfect ambassadors. They not only attended the sessions but also helped with the Junior activities. They promised to help with Junior activities for next year's convention.

Our annual cemetery visit was held Sept. 8. It began with Mass at Holy Cross Church, then to Calvary Cemetery to visit graves of deceased members. Hosted by Fritzie, George and Elena Mikalauskas, members said prayers at thirty graves. Fran Petkus purchased all the beautiful mums placed on each grave.

Get well wishes go out to Bernadette Noreikas, Eloise Berczelly and Mike Petkus, Sr. who recently had surgery. Continued well wishes to Mildred & Ray Steinbrunner and John Berczelly.

Our deepest sympathy to Amelia August on the recent loss of her husband Joseph. Joe and Amelia are members who do much for the council in the background. May Joe rest in peace.

Congratulations are extended to Jo-



Attending Lithuanian language classes at Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, NY. Audrius Bruzga and Kazys Grabys from Lithuania, Instructor Genovaitė Baranauskas, and Bernice Aviza.

soph Mantz and Julie Himes on their recent marriage on Aug. 18. Best wishes for many years of happiness.

Two of our members were affected by the Iraq situation. They are Jerry Roberts, air force, and Michael Petkus, marines. A third member, Michael Pant, navy, is currently stationed in Scotland and not yet called to the Gulf.

Mary Agnes Mikalauskas

C-100 AMSTERDAM, NY

Sept. 10 was a very important day for our council's first meeting of the fall season. Missing were our spiritual advisor, Rev. Baltch, Frances DiBart, Helen Dylong and Helen Kiuber. And where were they? In Lithuania!

All six of our delegates to the 77th National Convention were credited with perfect attendance. They were Edward Baranauskas, Gene Gobis, Regina Kot, Elizabeth Kuzmich, Polly Ziausys and Helen Kiuber. Delegates thank host C-19 for a great convention.

Members unanimously voted to donate \$250 to the K of L Medical Relief for Lithuania Fund.

We express our deepest sympathy to Geraldine Rimkus in the recent passing of her father Theodore Boedigheimer.

C-100 hosted the Mid-Atlantic District meeting on Sept. 30. Rev. Baltch

held the 12:00 Noon Mass. A meal, smorgasbord style, followed. Local delegates were Eleanor Olechowski, Edward & Mirga Bablin, Ann Beleckas, Gerard Drenzek, Charles Karbocus, Sophie Olbie, Adeline Raila, Irene Tice and Edward & Polly Ziausys.

Smile & Sparkle

C-110 MASPETH, NY

A few of our members attended the Lithuanian Festival in Greenport in August, hosted by C-152 Eastern Long Island. We enjoyed the food, music by Joe Thomas and especially the socializing with various councils.

At our first fall meeting on Sept. 23, Helen Matulonis gave a report on the K of L convention in Pittsburgh. Our membership overwhelmingly approved the \$1,000 pledge made at the convention for Medical Relief to Lithuania. It is interesting to note that Romas Kezys, on his Lithuanian radio program, announced that Estee Lauder had contrib-



C-100 Juniors with counselor, Bea Jasewicz, in background

uted \$15,000 to the Lithuanian Catholic Relief Fund.

Trustees Helen Venis and Frances Migliore also served on the Nominating Committee canvassing officers for the coming year. Because of personal reasons, pres. John Adomenas, did not wish to be nominated for any position this coming year. Elections were held at the Oct. meeting.

On Sept. 30, two buses left Maspeth with K of L members from Maspeth, Brooklyn, New York, Eastern Long Island and Great Neck to attend the District meeting in Amsterdam. Special Mass was held at 12 Noon with Rev. Baltch officiating. Luncheon was held after Mass followed by the meeting. Elections took place with Joseph Stelmokas of our council, becoming president of the District. Good luck, Joe!

Host C-100 was complimented for their courtesy, hospitality and generosity with plenty to eat and drink, resulting in a great meeting.

Bruno Rutkunas

C-141 BRIDGEPORT, CT

Clemencine Miller, re-elected pres. of C-141, welcomed members to the first meeting of the new season on Sept. 16 in St. George Parish clubhouse. Msgr. Francis Pranckus continues as our spiritual advisor. Re-elected for the ensuing year are Sylvester Marcavage, 1st vice pres.; Ann Petrus, 2nd vice pres.; Barbara Schmidt, recording sec.; Lee Marcinka, fin. sec.; Alphons-e Trainis, treas. In charge of public relations and Vytis correspondence is Aldona Marcavage. Trustees are Stephen Wilcinskas and Peter Putrimas. Other chairs are Joseph Janiunas and Mitch Marcinauskis, Lith. affairs; Aldona Peters and Clemencine Miller, cultural. Stella Marcinauskis will be in charge of the monthly social program. Sunshine girl is Ann Petrus.

Much interest was shown regarding the sending of books to Lithuania. They may be in English or Lithuanian. The books will be accumulated and prepared for shipment by Clem Miller who may be contacted for futher information at 268-2350. The arts and crafts group

will once again convene to begin making old-fashioned Lithuanian straw ornaments to decorate the Christmas trees in church. Lithuanian language and culture classes are beginning a new year with Prof. Vitalis Zukauskas of New York at the home of Clem Miller in Trumbull. It is not too late to enroll and enrich your lives while learning more about your heritage.

Aldona Marcavage

C-142 WASHINGTON, DC

Our council, led by Pres. Julia Burlen, has been active in many areas. Activities such as annual picnic, Easter egg coloring, making Christmas straw ornaments, assistance with visitors from Lithuania coming to Washington and publishing a bulletin have kept the council on the go. Our Sept. 30 Mass was held at Epiphany Church which was offered for our departed council members: Elena Jurgela, Eva Migonis, Ladislovas Esunas, Helen Kvedar, Constantine Jurgela, Barbara Darlys, Charles Laukaitis and Rev. T. Ziuraitis. Immediately following Mass, our regu-



Paul & Barbara Wilcinskas Schmidt of C-141, recently toured West and East Germany. While in Berlin, they sprayed paint on the infamous Berlin wall with FREE LITHUANIA.

lar meeting with elections was held. Refreshments were also served. S.K.

C-146 HARRISBURG, PA

Pres. Clara Gudalonis and her husband Joe drove with Vitty & Helen Grabauskas to Pittsburgh for the 77th National Convention. It was an excellent, informative and enjoyable convention. As always, it was good to see old friends from other councils. I was especially happy to see my mother, Helen Venis, from C-110 receive her Fourth Degree. Congratulations to C-19 for such a wonderful convention.

On Aug. 12 Joanne & George Gilbert and Frances Boyle attended Msgr. Algimantas Bartkus 25th anniversary of his ordination at Annunciation Church in Frackville. Sincere best wishes to Msgr. Bartkus for continued important work he does in Rome.

On Aug. 18, Joanna & George Gilbert, Joe & Clara Gudelonis, Frances Boyle and Nellie Berulis drove to Frackville for Lithuanian Days at the Schuylkill Mall.

Our Sept. 17 meeting was held at Pres. Clara's home with 10 members present. After the business session, we enjoyed Lithuanian sausage, bread and cheese, as well as a variety of desserts.

Our council attended Mass at St. Peter's Church in Columbia on Oct. 13. Our spiritual advisor, Rev. John Smith, offered Mass for Lithuania's freedom. We joined in prayers for our relatives in Lithuania so that they may soon enjoy independence after the many years of suffering. *Helen Grabauskas*

C-152 EASTERN LONG ISLAND, NY

For C-152 the high point of our year, in terms of intensity of preparation and complexity of detail, is our annual festival. Our fifth such festival was held in Greenport, NY on Aug. 26. We were

blessed with a beautiful day (a necessity for the success of even an indoor event) and played host to a large and varied group of visitors from many places on Long Island and elsewhere. A steady stream of ethnic dishes prepared and dispensed by a busy corps of our Knights, delighted the palates of our appreciative guests. Entertainment was provided by Joe Thomas and his band, as well as by the talented Lithuanian Folklore Group directed by Gintarė Bukauskas. Gintarė holds a degree in music from the University of Vilnius and is the organist and choir directress of Annunciation Lithuanian Church in Brooklyn. A particularly gratifying feature of our festival was the opportunity presented to our members to welcome fellow Knights from other Councils who visited us on this occasion. Due to our own exertions in greeting and serving our many guests, it was not always easy to speak at any length with visiting fellow Knights. Accordingly, it is our pleasure to publicly acknowledge and thank the patronage and good wishes of these valued friends and special guests.

For a number of our council members, this summer has seen the realization of extensive overseas travel plans. Olga & Barney Evans recently returned from a Russian tour highlighted by trips to Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev and Odessa. Joanne White has embarked upon an ambitious itinerary which will include visits to a number of places in Eastern Europe as well as Australia and New Zealand. Finally, Joe Latinis, who was born in Lithuania, has just returned from his first revisit to relatives there. His fellow Knights will be particularly anxious to hear at first hand Joe's views, insights, experiences and opinions as to the current state of affairs in Lithuania as the country ideas out the

storm of political, economic and social upheaval in the Soviet Union.

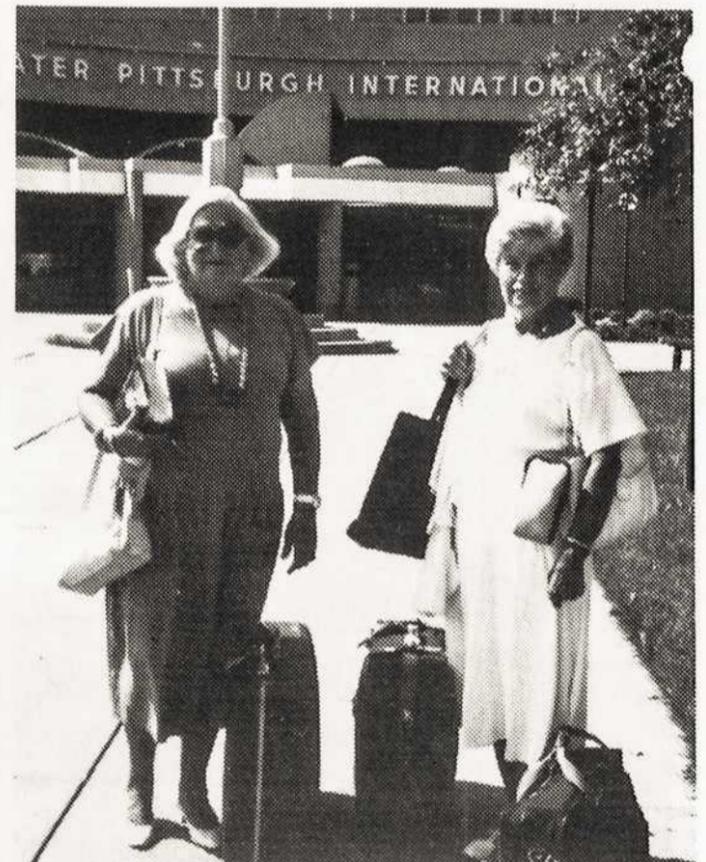
We are saddened to report the recent deaths of two fellow Knights, Simon Butan and Benjamin Ceponis. We commend their souls to your prayers and ask also that you spare a prayer for the return to good health of our long suffering member, Tony Zambuto.

Tom Tarmey

C-153 TREASURE COAST, FL

The 77th National Convention was very gratifying as we were shown viable ways to help Lithuania at the crossroads. The Knights will storm the gates of heaven with 24-hour recitation of the Rosary so Lithuania's freedom is attained. Fund-raisers for Caritas for medical shipments to our beloved fatherland show realistic and constructive ways to come to her aid. Congratulations to our newly elected Supreme Council. God bless you in all your endeavors.

Ačiū labai to C-19, our convention hosts, in all their efforts for warm welcoming hospitality and showing us an



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November 10, 1990 - Novemberfest at So. Boston Citizens Club - C-17

January 12, 1991 - MAMD K of L Choir - Dinner-Dance.

February 24, 1991 - MAD Communion Breakfast & Meeting - Host C-110 Maspeth, NY.

May 26, 1991 - Song Festival, Dainų Šventė, Chicago, IL.

May 1991 - MCD Spring Convention & Bowling Tournament, Host C-25 Cleveland, OH.

June 2, 1991 - C-26 Worcester, MA. Annual Picnic, Maironis Park.