

Meets each Friday the 13th Club discounts bad luck, superstition

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — At 8:13 Friday morning, members of Philadelphia's Friday the 13th Club will walk under a ladder, eat a breakfast of 13 items, break mirrors, spill salt, open umbrellas, joke about black cats and light three cigarettes on one match. The ceremony will wrap up at 10:13 a.m.

"There's no such thing as bad luck," said Philip Klein, the 74-year-old club president. "People ought to have more courage, show more guts and do more things, and not hide behind excuses or superstitions."

Klein is a retired newspaper publisher, former college president and city planner who formed the club 45 years ago and is the only original member

still active. The club has 13 members and meets every Friday 13th to give lie to the idea of triskadekaphobia — fear of the number 13.

Those who are superstitious consider Friday the 13th the unluckiest of all days.

Klein said the Friday the 13th Club started as a gimmick in 1936. "I was in the advertising business at the time, and it was a good way to take people to lunch and entertain customers," he said.

The fuss over Friday the 13th, according to some references, stems from the fact that Christ was crucified on Friday, and 13 men were present at the Last Supper. There is also a Viking fable in which 12 gods were invited to a banquet but 13 showed up and

one was killed.

So the superstition says that if you must dine on Friday the 13th, don't eat with 12 others at the table. Legend says the first or last to rise from the table will die within a year.

On the first Friday the 13th of every year the club elects Klein president.

"I nominate myself and then close the nominations because I always pick up the tab," he said.

"This year there are three Friday the 13ths, in February, March and November, and it's going to be expensive, which is the unluckiest part of the whole thing."

News In Brief

Las Vegas busboy confesses arson

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — A busboy arrested for allegedly setting the killer fire at the Las Vegas Hilton confessed that he started the fire and said it happened while he was engaged in a homosexual act, a police detective said at a news conference Thursday.

Philip Bruce Cline, 23, told officers that during the homosexual act a drape was lighted accidentally by a marijuana cigarette, said Lt. John Conner, chief of the Metropolitan Police Department's homicide division.

Conner said Cline, who initially told authorities he tried to douse the blaze Tuesday night, made the confession Wednesday, the second time he was questioned by police in connection with the fire which claimed eight lives.

Jenrettes made love on Capitol steps

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Former Rep. John W. Jenrette and his estranged wife, Rita, made love on the U.S. Capitol steps while the rest of the House deliberated in the early morning hours, Jenrette says.

"We made love on the Capitol steps," Jenrette, who was in Washington for a hearing in his Abscam conviction, told *The State of Columbia*.

Jenrette said he suggested the love-making and his wife agreed to it. "It's something I've always wanted to do," he added.

Mrs. Jenrette is scheduled to publish an article in the upcoming issue of *Playboy* magazine. "She told me she was going to put it in the story," the former Democratic congressman said.

Jenrette said he feared the incident would give readers a "false impression" of Washington and begged his wife not to include it in her article. "People would think we were interested in only one thing," he said.

Polish premier fears civil war

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, Poland's new premier, appealed to workers Thursday for "90 peaceful days," warning that continued unrest could pitch Poland into civil war. He also reshuffled the government's top echelon and announced a 10-point program to tackle the economic emergency.

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An interim water-supply plan would allow OWASA to begin using the new reservoir about 12 to 18 months after construction starts, however, Billingsley added. Even so, that puts the reservoir opening date more than three years into the future.

In addition, there is still the problem of buying property for the reservoir from angry Cancee Creek landowners.

"We are in the process of acquiring property now," Billingsley said. "We already have about 25 percent of the parcels of land needed. But if we were to be required to utilize condemnation procedures there could be another delay, and it is impossible to say how long that would be."

Despite lower-than-average rainfall so far this winter, Billingsley said OWASA officials were not too worried about the existing water supply holding out for another three or four possible summer droughts.

For the next few months anyway, Chapel Hill should not be threatened with water shortage, Billingsley said this week's rains had brought University Lake up to a full level for the first time since July 24.

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"But I don't think they're going to cut off aid during this administration," Baloyra said. He said any assistance must be accompanied by persistent pressure for reform, which is essential to establishing "credibility of the government and of U.S. support" of it. He said effective socio-economic reform was the only way to placate the Salvadorians.

But Baloyra said he believed the Reagan administration was not sufficiently committed to ensuring that reform was implemented. He said aid to the government probably would not be cut off under any circumstances.

Baloyra also attacked U.S. policy toward Nicaragua. The Reagan administration suspended aid to that nation last week because it was suspected of helping the Salvadorian opposition. Officials had accused Nicaragua of sending troops to help the leftists.

Baloyra said Nicaragua and El Salvador had the "same conduit for weapons," but that "Nicaragua is not going to send its troops to

El Salvador." Baloyra feared that by cutting off aid, "we are driving Nicaragua toward a totalitarian state. They've got to get aid somewhere."

Baloyra and Schoultz complained that the State Department, in its dealings with them, would not reveal completely the rationale behind its policies. They said the department often claimed to have discovered factors which added complexity to an issue but which could not be discussed.

The professors said they also were dissatisfied with American press coverage of Central American crises.

"I don't think we're getting unbiased reporting," Baloyra said, attributing the slant in part to State Department pressure. He cited a 70-nation United Nations denunciation of Salvadorian human rights violations which was virtually ignored by the press.

Baloyra also said media reports that the leftist guerrillas had no popular support were inaccurate. "They couldn't survive without popular support," he said.

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The party crashers found Muench and began to sing Busby's proposal. "No one knew what was going on until about the second verse," Busby said.

The Senior Class also is selling less elaborate Valentine balloons in the Pit today. These balloons are red, heart-shaped and say "Be My Valentine."

The proceeds from the Senior Class sale go to the Jimmy Everhart Memorial Scholarship. Frank Callison, vice president, said they would start selling at 10 a.m. and sell until the balloons run out.

Instead of sending the usual mushy card to your Valentine, why not a singing message? The Clef Hangers, a student vocal group, will deliver musical Valentines in barbershopstyle harmony on or off campus.

"Let Me Call You Sweetheart," "If" and "Passing By" are a few of the songs the Clef Hangers are prepared to sing. But business manager Thane Kerner said the group would sing anything that was requested.

"It's unique, something different," Kerner said. Because the Clef Hangers' singing birthday messages are so popular, he said they felt that the new Valentine services would go over well, also.

For your Valentine's sweet tooth, how about a heart-shaped cake instead of the customary heart-shaped box of chocolates? Birthdays, Etc., is offering Valentine cakes for the first time.

Ann Hamby, one of the three owners of Birthdays, Etc., said the cakes were "much more personal and thoughtful" than conventional Valentine's Day gifts.

The cakes are heart-shaped with white or pink icing. "Any Valentine message can be put on the cakes," Hamby said, "but the most requested is 'I Love You'."

For anyone who wants to get a Valentine's Day message across in a truly bizarre way, the Shrunken Head on Franklin Street offers Valentine underwear once again this year.

The women's underwear is white with red hearts on the seat which are printed with messages like "Be My Valentine" and "I Love You, Valentine."

Store owner Shelton Henderson said Valentine underwear was "more personal" than conventional gifts.

The Shrunken Head also features a "My Heart Throbs For You" T-shirt. If you want to be original, the Shrunken Head will custom-print your message on a T-shirt or sweatshirt.

But if singers, balloons, cakes and underwear don't appeal to you, the UNC Sailing Club is delivering conventional, conservative carnations for Valentine's Day.

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previously authorized degree program on the doctoral level of speech pathology and audiology.

The report identified trends of the UNC system in other areas as well. So-called "non-traditional" students — those who are physically handicapped, minorities or older-than-average students — will be getting more special services, the report said.

New emphasis also will be placed on career counseling and life planning programs, increased use of computer technology and an increased workload for financial aid offices.

One notable exception in the formal list of programs and objectives was the University's failure to mention its desegregation problems and how it plans to address those problems. But UNC President William C. Friday said Thursday the problem was addressed, though not in any statement of planning objectives.

Friday said that much of the planning in the report pertained specifically to the separate institutions and not the whole system. "Yes, it's there, it all just pertains to the institutions," he said. Friday

mentioned the plan's consideration of a graduate center at the predominantly black Winston-Salem State University and increases in funding for special scientific equipment for UNC-CH, UNC-Charlotte and N.C. A&T as examples of particular needs for individual institutions.

John P. Kennedy, secretary of the University, said that concern for minorities and attention to desegregation was "built-in" to the proposals. "In fact," Kennedy said, "the five black institutions do come out of this plan very well."

In other matters, the Board of Governors today will consider establishing regulations concerning non-faculty personnel of the University system.

The board will also host members of the State Board of Community Colleges, which was established last summer and invited to observe the Board of Governors. In addition Martha McNair will be sworn in as a new member of the board. A UNC-Greensboro alumna and resident of Winston-Salem, McNair will replace Betty McCain of Wilson on the board.

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Jane
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STEVE

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