

## FORMAT OF GARSAS IS CHANGED

After 78 years of publication, the GARSAS finds itself being forced to change its format from a tabloid newspaper to a monthly Newsletter due to mounting expenses, a sign of the times.

The Board of Directors moved to reduce costs by eliminating the Lithuanian pages which were read by a very small part of our membership but costs still continued to mount.

This June issue is being put out to inform members and subscribers of the termination of the tabloid form of GARSAS and is being mailed to everyone on the present mailing list. Members will continue to receive their monthly issue of GARSAS in its Newsletter form free of charge. At this time, no decision has been made regarding Newsletter subscriptions.

### NOTICE TO CURRENT SUBSCRIBERS:

Just as soon as we are able to check our subscriber list, refunds in the amount of 50 cents per each issue owed will be mailed to each subscriber. We would appreciate your patience while this is being handled here at the Home Office.

### NOTICE TO MEMBERS:

In the May issue of GARSAS we announced plans to hold the 73rd Convention close to the Home Office and chose the Ramada Hotel located just two blocks from our office. Following publication of this news we received several calls suggesting we utilize the facilities of our own offices which would be an additional financial savings to the Alliance.

A special meeting of the Executive committee was held and it was agreed to cancel the Ramada and hold the 73rd Convention at the Home Office, 71-73 S. Washington St. in Wilkes-Barre, PA. Information is being sent to all Lodge Secretaries.

Your patience during the days of transition for our publication will be greatly appreciated. Several adjustments are being made on our computer and it will take a bit of training for the office staff to become familiar with the new equipment.

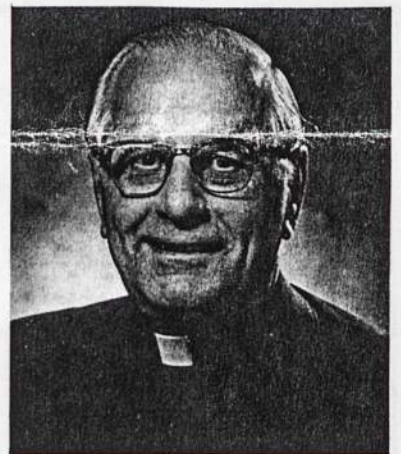
Just a little reminder: No issues of Garsas in July Or August.

## L.C.A. SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR CELEBRATES GOLDEN JUBILEE

Msgr. Frank L. Yashkas, Spiritual Director of the Lithuanian Catholic Alliance, celebrated his 50th anniversary to the priesthood with a Golden Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Ann's Church, Luzerne, PA, May 28, 1995.

Immediately following Mass, a Banquet was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Luzerne with over 250 people in attendance. Besides the many friends, relatives and parishoners who turned out for the celebration there were many presentations of awards and honors presented to Msgr. including one from the President of the United States, Mr. Bill Clinton.

Ordained by the late Most Rev. William J. Hafey, D.D., Bishop of Scranton, May 26, 1945 in St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, he held several parish assignments within the Diocese of Scranton until 1952. On November 10, 1952 he was commissioned as a First Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. In January, 1953, he began his military career at the Army and Air Force Chaplain School at Fort Slocum, NY. His military career lasted more than 20 years with assignments at Air Force bases throughout the world.



**Monsignor Frank L. Yashkas,**  
Spiritual Advisor

Included among his many military awards are: National Defense Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Award Ribbon, Korean Service Medal, United States Air Force Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, United States Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, and the United States Service Medal.

In 1970, Pope Paul VI conferred upon Chaplain Yashkas the title "Prelate of Honor". On June 30, 1973, he retired from active military duty with the rank of Full Colonel and the title of Right Rev. Monsignor.

Returning to the Diocese of Scranton, he was assigned as Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Montoursville, PA. On August 29, 1978 he became Pastor of St. Ann's Church, Luzerne where he served until his retirement June 1, 1989.

Msgr. Yashkas is now a resident of Little Flower Manor, 200 S. Meade St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702-6299.

# Obituaries

Gentlemen:

March 1<sup>2</sup>, 1995

We have completed a valuation of the outstanding certificates of the Lithuanian Catholic Alliance as of December 31, 1994 according to the schedules of insurance in force submitted to us, and have found the reserves, on the bases specified below, to be as follow:

### Reserve for Life Certificates and Contracts

American Experience 3%	\$ 499,814
1941 Standard Industrial 3%	114,909
American Men Ultimate 3%	433,740
1980 CSO 4 1/2%	8,386
1980 CSO 5 1/2%	63,547
1980 CSO 5%	13,546
1926-33 Intercompany D.I. with 1941 CSO 2 1/2%	141
150% Class 3 with 1941 CSO 2 1/2%	50
Reserve for non-deduction of deferred premiums	952
Extra mortality reserve	4,396
Unearned premium reserve	1,378
Reserve for immediate payment of claims	14,024
<b>Total Life Reserve</b>	<b>\$1,154,883</b>
Reserve for Accident & Health Certificates	6,948
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>\$1,161,831</b>

The Alliance's valuation indicated that based on the American Experience, 1941 Standard Industrial and American Men Ultimate Tables of Mortality, with interest at 3%, and the 1980 CSO Mortality Table with interest at 4½%, 5% and 5½%, the future assessments of the Alliance at the net rates then being collected, together with the admitted assets as they appeared in the Alliance's 1994 annual statement, were sufficient to meet all certificates as they mature by their terms with a margin of safety of \$725,017 (or 59.89%) above the statutory standards.

Ratios of assets to liabilities: 1994-159.89%; 1993-164.13%; 1992-166.77%; 1991-173.35%; 1990-170.79%.

Sincerely yours,

Allan Ferrone,  
Actuary

**CPS**  
**Actuaries**

**CATHERINE KIZIS KVETKAS**, 375 West Academy St., Wilkes-Barre, PA, died June 9, 1995. Mrs. Kvetkas celebrated her 100th birthday March 25th and was the subject of a feature story in the April issue of Garsas. She was the widow of William T. Kvetkas, former Supreme Secretary of LCA. She was buried June 12, 1995 in Holy Trinity Cemetery, Bear Creek, PA.

Sincere sympathy is extended to her son William, daughter Elaine Mulcahy, nieces Rosalie Kizis, LCA Trustee; and Rosanne Walkavage, former office employee.

**FRANK YENKAITIS**, 436 S. Mill St. St. Clair, PA 17970, Lodge 130

Died: 6/5/95 Buried: 6/8/95  
Lithuanian Cemetery, Port Carbon, PA

**STANLEY ZAPENAS**, 288 Lawrence St. Lawrence, MA 01840 Lodge 52

Died: 2/11/95 Buried: 2/15/95  
St. Mary's Cemetery, Lawrence, MA

**WALTER KALES**, 66 Fairway Drive, Beverly Hills, Asheville, NC 28805 Lodge 70

Died: 4/12/95 Cremated: 4/15/95

**VIKTORAS PALUNAS**, 290 Millcreek Drive, Akron, OH 44307-2222 Lodge 178

Died: 5/16/95 Buried: 5/20/95  
All Souls Cemetery, Chardon, OH

**ANTHONY ANDRULONIS**, Box 412, Ellsworth, PA 15331  
Died: 5/12/95 Buried: 5/16/95 Lodge 92

**VALERIAN VITKUS**, 313 Wilking St., Rochester, NY 14621 Lodge 103 (former Lodge Secretary)

Died: 5/13/95 Buried: 5/17/95  
Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Rochester, NY

**AGNE KIZYS**, 7118 S. Troy St., Chicago, IL 60629  
Lodge 95 Died: 2/20/95 Buried: 2/23/95

St. Casimir's Cemetery, Chicago, IL

**HELEN LINDNER**, 42 Harbor CT, Hanover, PA 17331  
Lodge 13 Died: 6/3/95 Buried: 6/8/95

Most Holy Redeemer Cemetery, Baltimore, MD  
Sincere sympathy is extended to Helen agurkis, member of Lodge 209, Kingston, PA, on the death of her sister, Mary Palevich (age 90) which occurred April 28, 1995 at Holy Family Manor in Bethlehem, PA.

### ADDITIONAL RESOLUTION

At the Executive Committee meeting on June 16, 1995, a motion was made by Leocadia Donarovich, seconded by John Pocius, and passed, that DIRECTORS BE LIMITED TO 2 INSTEAD OF 3.



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