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## Golden Knights Drum Corps

### TAKING IT TO THE STREETS

Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights World Champion Drum and Bugle Corps have marched for the first time in nearly 20 years in Union on Memorial Day. In the spring of 1973, the Corps disbanded, following 21 straight seasons of competition, the celebrated Junior Corps was among the most successful Corps of its era. Among more than 240 first place finishes are six American Legion and three VFW national championships, 19 New Jersey State titles, the first World Open championship in 1963 and 11 Dream Contest victories in 14 appearances.

The Knights of Columbus, Council 4504, 1034 Jeanette Avenue in Union is the sponsor of the Corps and has given the Corps a home. Rehearsal is held at the Knights hall on the first Sunday of every month at 12:00 noon.

A small group of alumni, through their love of and pride in the Corps, have made a miracle happen - the championship Corps has risen from the dead. Tony Sepe of Westfield, the Director, said "The Golden Knights, once a Junior Corps, meaning that when a member reached 21 years of age had to leave the Corps. The members who marched as kids once will now have the opportunity to march and play music with their kids in the newly formed Corps. All are welcome both to march and submit ideas and help plan. the idea is to reorganize for excellence and fun."

Mr. Sepe would like to thank the Knights of Columbus for a home, Tom Kraeutler for the donation of a truck for hauling instruments, the instructors who have donated all of their time and all of the other alumni who helped make this dream come true.

The Golden Knights will be participating in the Elks Competition parade in Wildwood on June 8th and their annual picnic is scheduled for August 18th.

Anyone wishing information about the Corps can write to the Golden Knights, 224 East Broad Street, Westfield, NJ 07090, or call Mr. Sepe at 654-7846.



Regina Pfarr crowns our Blessed Mother at this years May Crowning.



Grand Knight, Robert Pfarr with Rose Milano, Grand Regent of the Catholic Daughters and Fr. Ed Gedrich at the Communion Supper.

