



# Knights Digest



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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.

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## MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. .... Council Officers  
2nd & 4th Mon. .... Regular Meetings  
3rd Mon. .... Swim Club  
1st Wed. .... 4th Degree Officers  
2nd Wed. .... 4th Degree Color Corps  
3rd Wed. .... 4th Degree Regular  
4th Wed. .... Council Committees  
4th Thurs. .... Columbian Club

## RANDOM THOUGHTS

There are three things which are real: God, human folly and laughter. The first two are beyond our comprehension so we must do what we can with the third... The government deficit is the difference between the amount of money the government spends and the amount it has the nerve to collect... Our tastes change as we mature. Little girls like painted dolls; Little boys like soldiers. When they grow up, girls like the soldiers and the boys go for the dolls... Prayer of the modern American: Dear God, I pray for patience, and I want it right away... Few things are more satisfying than seeing your children have teenagers of their own.. God wisely designed the human body so that we can neither pat our backs nor kick our selves too easily...

## KNIGHT of THE MONTH June, 1991



### John Relton

Our Knight of the Month for June, 1991 is John Relton. John and his wife Patti are residents of Clark and are communicants of St. Agnes parish. They are the parents of twin sons Christopher and Michael.

John has been a 3rd degree member of our council for nearly 14 years and has been involved in Council activities in a number of ways during this time. He has been a member of our softball team, a bartender and has helped out at work parties for the Columbian Club and Swim Club. He is currently contributing his time and energies as the Council's Youth Activities Chairmen as well as serving a two year term on the Columbian Club Board of Directors.

In between his activities at the Council and at NJ Transit, where he is employed as an engineer, John also manages to find time to coach Little League and Soccer in Clark.

Union Council is pleased to congratulate John Relton as our Knight of the Month for June, 1991.

## Grand Knight's Column

Bob Pfarr



One of the things I've learned during my term as Grand Knight is not to wait until Thanksgiving to be thankful for what you have! My year has been very rewarding and the success of our Council and the programs we offer are the result of the dedication and support of our members, their families and friends. A case in point is our recent Retarded Citizens Drive. As I write this article I am very please to report that we have passed the \$12,000.00 mark, thus setting a new council record. My thanks go out to Chairmen Mike Kramer, Bill Smela, and John Boyle III for organizing the drive, and to all those who donated and came out to collect. A special thank you to the members of St. Michael's CYO who collected after each mass, and to those who were not deterred by the rainy weather on Sunday and brought in some \$1,600.00! A job well done by all who got involved!

My year as Grand Knight is quickly coming to a close. It has been na privelege and an honor to serve this great council and I would like to thank everyone for giving me the opportunity. I congratulate the newly elected officers and directors of the Columbian Club, and wish them well as they begin the new Columbian year. The Council officers will be elected June 10th, and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate them also. Both boards have big jobs ahead of them and they'll need the help and support of all our members. So don't be afraid to get involved and do your share!

In closing, I thank my officers and chairmen, and the officers and boards of the Columbian and Swim Clubs for the tremendous support they provided me during my term. And last but certainly not least, I thank my wife Regina and our children Pamela, Michael, and Lauren for their support, patience and understanding.

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Friday evening

July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1991

Installation at St. Michaels at 7:30

Reception at the council home  
immediatly after the installation.

Contact PGK Barney Capriglione  
Chairman

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 7	First Friday
June 9	Nuns and Widows
June 12	Second Degree
June 14	Third Degree
June 24	Awards Dinner Meeting
June 30	Incoming & Outgoing GK

