



# Knight Digest



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## COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS



Thomas Rekemeier, acting Fire Chief, and Greg Mueller, Fire Commissioner, with the Fireman Shield Award Recipient, Joe Fiore, and GK Bob Pfarr

Our annual Community Service Awards were presented at our February meeting. The recipients are, Marty Karlin, EMS Award, Ed Lewis, Senior Citizen Award, and Joe Fiore, Fireman Shield Award.

These awards, sponsored by the state KofC, are given to individuals for their activities in our community.



Annette Bayer, Supervisor of Senior Citizen activities for Union Township, with the Senior Citizen Award Recipient, Ed Lewis, and GK Bob Pfarr



EMS Award Recipient, Marty Karlin with GK Bob Pfarr.

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## COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain.....Rev. Edward Gedrich  
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964-1512  
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851-0018  
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Lecturer.....Bob Wozniak  
Col. Club Pres.....Bob Sugzda  
Swim Club Pres.....George Clark

## 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

## German Night

April 13, 1991  
8 - 12 PM

Bavarian Band  
German Dinner  
Beer - Soda

\$15.00 Per Person  
For Reservation  
Call

Barney Capp 964-3134  
Andy Popp 688-6951  
Tom Hornig 688-5867

No Reservations after  
April 8, 1991

## KNIGHT of THE MONTH April, 1991



### Jeff Pogorzelski

Our Knight of the Month for April, 1991 is Jeff Pogorzelski. Jeff and his wife Theresa have been residents of Union for the past five years and are communicants of St. Michael's parish. They have two sons-Kristofer and Gregory and are expecting their third child.

Jeff is a 3rd Degree Knight and although he has been a member for a relatively short period of time he has taken on an active role. He is currently serving as our Treasurer and has made a solid contribution to the Council in this important position. He is also a regular member of the Council bowling league.

Outside of the Council Jeff keeps a busy schedule with his own real estate business Pogo Realtors which he has operated for the past three years. He also manages to find time to read, enjoy music and demonstrate some of his versatility by performing as a drummer in a band.

Congratulations to Jeff Pogorzelski, Union Council's Knight of the Month for April, 1991.

## ATTENTION MEMBERS

The Council Nominating Committee for the 1991-92 Columbian Year has been formed. PGK Michael Gasser will chair the committee. The other members of the committee will be Rich Popala, Columbian Club; Frank Fabiano, Swim Club; Jules Pruszkowski, PGK and John Callery from the general membership. If anyone is interested or knows of anyone interested in serving as a Council Officer for the next Columbian year, please call Mike at 486-3141 or contact any of the other committee members

## Grand Knight's Column

Bob Pfarr



It was started 16 years ago and at that time, \$180,000.00 was collected. I'm sure you know that I'm talking about our annual drive to collect money for the Retarded Citizens and those with learning disabilities in the state of New Jersey. Since then the amount collected has grown significantly, to more than \$750,000.00 all through the efforts of the Knights of Columbus in New Jersey.

This year the drive will be held the weekend of April 19, 20, and 21. I encourage all our brothers and their families to come out and support one of the most charitable endeavors you could ever hope to get involved with. It doesn't take very long and it's certainly an event that gives one a great feeling of accomplishment, and of sharing for the benefit of those who are less fortunate than we. So it you really want to feel good about yourself, and you want to help make a difference, contact Inside Guard Mike Kramer, or Outside Guard Bill Smela and give them some time the weekend of April 19th. All that we're asking for is an hour of your time, or more if you can spare it. There are many people depending on us and we can't let them down.

With the warm weather coming our thoughts quickly turn to summer, picnics, and the pool! But before we can begin to enjoy those activities alot of work needs to be completed. Work parties are underway to get our outside areas back into shape after the long winter months. Both the Columbian and Swim Clubs will be looking for assistance to prepare for the summer ahead. This is an ideal way for the new members to get involved and meet the other guys around the council. We can always use the help and I guarantee you'll never be turned away! So don't be a stranger, come on out and give your brothers a hand. This is our Council, and it's up to us to keep it well maintained for us and our families to enjoy.

Our annual convention is nearly upon us! My brother Don has been quite busy making all of the necessary arrangements and it sounds like we'll have more people going than in past years! It is anticipated that PGK Jack Winters, our State Deputy, will be re-elected to lead the state council for his second term. I wish Jack and his officers continued success as they close out their first term and embark on the coming

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**Chaplain's  
Column**  
Rev. Edward Gedrich

*"Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so!"*

Most of us, I'm sure, are familiar with this opening verse of an old Sunday School hymn. The bible indeed tells us the story of God's love as shown to us in the life of Jesus: how He walked this world's dusty roads, how He taught, and prayed, and healed, and wept, how He suffered and died, and rose from the dead, all out of love for us. The words of the Bible do indeed eloquently witness and testify to the love of Jesus for us.

But the words of that witness would fall on deaf ears were it not for another witness to God's love. That other witness is our own lives. We believe the words of the Bible about the Lord's love because we have experienced that love ourselves, in the triumphs and trials and tragedies of our own lives. Think of how much we--indeed, think of how much **you**--have survived: days of mourning and loss, darkness and sadness and at the death of loved one: accidents and sickness afflicting body, mind, and spirit: betrayals by and disappointment in loved ones you thought you could count on: the times that you yourself betrayed your own hopes and dreams through sin or foolishness. All the destructive events that should have destroyed us but **didn't** -- because there was One by our side to bear us up and bring us through, our Crucified and Risen Lord, faithful in blessing and affliction. How much He has brought us through! What great things are yet possible because He is by our side.

Jesus loves me, this I know, for my own life has told me so!

May the blessing of the Risen Lord be yours!

**BUD BEER BASH**

Sunday, April 28th  
1pm to 5pm  
Roast beef sandwich platters  
50¢ mugs of beer  
Prizes and giveaways  
\$3.00 per person  
contact;

Mike Malloy—851-0026  
John Peters—964-6869

All proceeds go to the softball team.  
Giant highlights will be shown.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Union Council 4504  
Knights of Columbus  
Union, New Jersey  
will sponsor a pancake breakfast  
Sunday, May 19, 1991  
to benefit  
the Make-A-Wish Foundation  
of New Jersey.

The breakfast will be held at  
Union Hospital  
1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union  
in the hospital cafeteria.

The donation is \$5.00  
for tickets call  
Michael V. Hrifko  
on (908) 688-2863

All funds raised by Union Council  
will be contributed to the  
Make-A-Wish Foundation  
of New Jersey  
to help them fulfill  
those special dreams and wishes  
that New Jersey children  
with life-threatening illnesses have.

"We hope that you will support us as  
you  
have done in the past  
and enjoy a sumptuous breakfast  
as well"

**Convention 91'**

May 16 - 18th

Wildwood, N.J.

Rooms Still Available  
At Parklane Hotel

For reservations contact:

Don Pfarr: 851-0018

**COMMUNION SUPPER**

May 3, 1991  
Union Knights  
and  
Catholic Daughters  
Annual Supper Reserve the date.  
Mass at 7:00  
Dinner to follow  
Tickets \$10.00  
For Reservations call  
Dot Johnson—964-0735  
Mr. Capp—964-3143  
Bob Gaitens—688-2760

**COLUMBIAN CLUB NEWS**

Elections of Columbian Club officers and directors will take place on May 13, 1991. Any brother wishing to serve on the board of directors should contact a member of the nominating committee. The Columbian Club is looking for a few good men, maybe you're the one.

Contact:  
Michael Herrightly, Jr.  
Vince Iannuzzi  
Tom Hornig  
Michael Carr  
G.K. Bob Pfarr

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In the past, during our Swim Club Season, the Columbian Club contracted the operation, of the patio snack bar, to outside caterers. the beverage bar, each year, was manned by members of our council. This season, rather than submitting a contract to an outside caterer, the Columbian Club, utilizing the same procedure as with the beverage bar, will operate the snack bar also.

Members interested in becoming a part of the work force, contact the following brother members:

Snack Bar - Jack Bruno - 687-3452  
Beverage Bar - Rocco Corbo - 688-8842

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The Annual Columbian Club Report will be presented at the first regular Council meeting in May.

**SWIM TEAM**

This year all council member's children, ages 6 to 17, are invited to participate on the swim team. You do not have to be a swim club member. For further details call Frank Fabiano—964-3863.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- April 5 First Friday
- April 13 German Night Dinner Dance
- April 19-21 Annual Retarded Citizens Drive
- April 22 1st Degree
- May 3 First Friday (CDA/KofC Communion Supper)
- May 16-19 State Convention
- May 19 Pancake Breakfast
- May 25 Poolside Mass

*Grand Knights Column continued year.*

Before I close, just a reminder about our German Night on April 13th. It has all the markings for a great night, and I hope to see many of you there. Details will be found in the digest.