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John Carno of the Summit Speech School holds a check, presented by the Grand Knight Bob Wozniak (left) from the proceeds of the very successful Champagne Breakfast and Pound Auction. Also pictured are the Chairmen of the event PGK Tom Hornig and PGK Bob Sugzda.

AWARDS DINNER

Every year two special awards are presented at the last council meeting. They are the Knight of the Year and the Columbian Award. These prestigious awards are presented to members of our council who have exhibited an outstanding contribution and service to the council, community and the Knights of Columbus.

In past years, only members of the council were privileged to participate in this event. This year, our Grand Knight has decided to change this presentation by having an Awards Dinner in honor of the recipients.

This dinner will be open to all Brother Knights and their guests. The dinner is scheduled for **Friday, June 23, 1995 at 7:15 PM**. The menu will include salad, loin of pork with vegetables, dessert, coffee, beer, wine or soda. Also included will be dancing and entertainment. The cost will be **\$12.00 per person**.

For reservations, please call:
Mike Malloy, Chairman—908/810-0862.

WHY EAGLES FLY AND CHICKENS FLUTTER

Once upon a time in the long, long ago the Eagle and the Chicken were very good friends. Everywhere they went these friends went together. It was not uncommon for people to look up and see the Eagle and the Chicken flying side by side through the air.

One day while flying, the Chicken said to the Eagle: "Let's drop down and get a bite to eat. My stomach is growling."

"Sounds like a good idea to me," replied the Eagle.

So the two birds glided down to earth, saw several animals eating, and decided to join them. They landed next to the Cow. The Cow was busy eating corn, but noticed that the Eagle and the Chicken were soon sitting on the ground next to her. "Welcome," said the Cow. "Help yourself to the corn."

This took the two birds by surprise. They were not accustomed to having other animals share their food quite so readily. "Why are you willing to share your corn with us?" asked the Eagle.

"Oh, we have plenty to eat here. Mr. Farmer gives us all we want," replied the Cow.

Well, the Eagle and the Chicken jumped right in and ate their fill. When they finished,

the Chicken asked more about Mr. Farmer.

"Well," said the Cow, "he grows all our food. We don't have to work for the food at all."

"You mean," said the Chicken, "that Mr. Farmer simply gives you all you want to eat?"

"That's right," said the Cow. "Not only that, but he gives us shelter over our heads."

The Chicken and the Eagle were shocked! They had never heard of such a thing. They had always had to search for food and work for shelter.

When it came time to leave, the Chicken and the Eagle began to discuss the situation. "Maybe we should just stay here," said the Chicken. "We can have all the food we want without working. And that barn over there sure beats those nests we have been building. Besides, I'm getting tired of always having to work for a living."

"I don't know about this," said the Eagle. "It sounds too good to be true. I find it hard to believe that one can get something for nothing. Besides, I kinda like flying high and free through the air. And providing for food and shelter isn't so bad. In fact, I find it quite challenging."

Well, the Chicken thought it over and decided to stay where there was free food and shelter. But the Eagle decided that he loved his freedom too much to give it up, and enjoyed the consistent challenge of making his own living. So, after saying good-bye to his old friend the Chicken, the Eagle set sail for the wild blue yonder.

Everything went fine for the Chicken. He ate all he wanted. He never worked. He grew fat and lazy. But then one day he heard the farmer say to his wife that the preacher was coming to visit the next day and they should have fried chicken for dinner. Hearing that, the Chicken decided it was time to check out and rejoin his good friend Mr. Eagle. But when he attempted to fly he found that he had grown too fat and lazy. Instead of being able to fly, he could only flutter. So the next day the farmer's family and the preacher sat down to fried chicken.

The Living Bible translates Proverbs 14:12 like this: "Before every man there lies a wide and pleasant road that seems right but ends in death." When you give up the challenges life has in pursuit of security, you give up your freedom.

And that's the reason Eagles fly and Chickens flutter.

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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 Thurs.	4th Degree Color Corps
3rd Wed.	4th Degree Regular
4th Wed.	Council Committees
4th Thurs.	Columbian Club

QUEEN OF HEAVEN (REGINA COELI)

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia, for he whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia, has risen, as he foretold, alleluia; pray for us to God, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia, for the Lord has indeed risen, alleluia. God our Father, you give joy to the world by the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Through the prayers of His mother, the Virgin Mary, bring us to the happiness of eternal life. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CALENDAR

May 4	National Day of Prayer
May 5	Communion Supper
May 6 8:00 AM	Work Party
May 8 8:10 PM	Council Meeting
May 13 .. 8:00 AM	Work Party
May 13	Golf Outing
May 14	Mother's Day
May 19-21 ..	State Convention in Wildwood
May 22 .. 8:10 PM	Meeting & First Degree
May 25	Holy Day: Ascension
May 27 ..	Swim Club Opens: Pool Side Mass
May 27	Theme Dance
May 29	Memorial Day Parade
May 29	Music on the Patio
May 31 .. 8:00 PM	Second Degree
Jun 2 7:30 PM	First Friday
Jun 4	Nuns and Widows Dinner
Jun 9 8:00 PM	Third Degree

DID YOU KNOW

that the Knights of Columbus

- Underwrote completely the renovation of the entire facade of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, the most famous church in the world, the statues of Sts. Peter and Paul in St. Peter's Square, and the historic Rooms of the Architects in the Basilica proper?

- Created the \$10 million "Knights of Columbus Vicarius Christi" fund - increased in August, 1988 to \$20 million - the earnings from which are conveyed annually to the Holy Father for His personal charitable purposes. In seven years this fund has generated more than \$12 million for the Pope's good works?

- Bring the Pope to the world at least three times a year by providing the uplink cost for the televising of papal ceremonies, especially at Christmas and during Holy Week - and the downlink in poor mission countries?

- Presented a mobile television production unit to the Vatican Television Center for the taping, recording and transmission of Vatican ceremonies and fund a world wide production of videocassettes of the Pope's weekly audience messages?

- Established a North American campus of the Lateran University's Pope John Paul II Institute for Study of Marriage and the Family in Washington, D.C.?

MEMORARE

Remember, most loving Virgin Mary never was it heard that anyone who turned to you for help was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, though burdened by my sins, I run to your protection for you are my mother. Mother of the Word of God, do not despise my words of pleading, but be merciful and hear my prayer.

Grand Knight's Column

ROBERT WOZNIAK



Throughout the Columbian Year we have been identifying, discussing, executing and acknowledging the wonderful programs

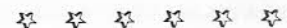
the Knights of Columbus run in order to keep its charter alive. Quite often we fail to recognize that without the support of its members' families, this work would not be possible. During the month of May, we honor our Queen of Heaven, the mother of Jesus, our own earthly mothers and the mothers of our children. It is fitting then that we take this time to acknowledge all the women who have been supporting and whom continue to support their Knights of Columbus. It is through the compassion and understanding of the "Ladies of the Knights" that we are able to attend those long meetings, collect all that food, solicit those contributions, march in those parades, and run those successful affairs.

Besides minding our families, looking after our homes, caring for our nutrition and health, many of our significant others keep track of the Columbian schedule of events and meetings and thus enable us to meet those important knightly commitments. They even prod us from time to time so that we may "get over to the council and do something."

And so it is that without Queen Isabella, King Ferdinand could not have claimed the wonders of the "New World" for the kingdom of Spain, and neither could Columbus have discovered America. Similarly, without our spouses and other "Ladies of the Knights," we Knights of Columbus could not preserve the works of our founder Father Michael J. McGivney.

Happy Mother's Day to all the Mom's—we love you all!

Bob Wozniak
Grand Knight



COLUMBIAN CLUB NEWS

Election of the Columbian Club Officers and Directors will take place on
May 8, 1995.



Chaplain's Column

Rev. Leonard E. Dembow



Easter is the celebration of God's great promise that in our own experience of "brokenness" we rise to a new life of color and vibrancy and

wholeness in the eternal light of the Resurrection. Christ our light illuminates our pieced-together lives with the light of his compassion, love, forgiveness, reconciliation and spirit of selflessness for others.

May our Easter prayer be that our faith in that promise will be "melted" within our hearts like the color of lasting, stained glass, that we may know the "color" of Easter hope in every moment of our lives.

I pray that you and your families will be touched by the Risen Lord and the joy that only He can bring.

Fr. Dembow

A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Heavenly Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of your Son so that in him, with him and through him, we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ATTENTION BROTHER FISHERMAN

A weekend trip to Lake Ontario for king salmon, trout and bass fishing is planned for July. These fish range from 8 lbs to 40 lbs. A meeting for those interested will be held on **Friday, May 26th** at the Council Hall at **8:00 PM**. If you plan on going, please attend this important meeting.

For additional details contact:
Rosario Bove at 908/688-4034.
Wives and girlfriends are welcome.

SPRING IS SLIPPING IN

4504 held its first spring work party of 1995 and with his usual enthusiasm, Richie Governali "plunged in". Grabbing a trash can and shovel he strode into the pool, walked to the deep end, and turned left toward the diving tank. As he began skimming the debris: "leaves, twigs, plastic cups, and green icky stuff" off the surface of the water trapped in the diving area after a wet winter, the laws of physics took over.

Rich began to slide. Assuming a surfers stance, with shovel leading the way, Rich rode the pool surface. Right up to his neck.

Emerging a mess a la "Swamp Thing", he left the pool as this year's first to get wet. Appearing like the *Creature from the Black Lagoon*, he stripped to his skivvies and drove home. However his spirits, unlike everything else, were undampened, and he returned showered and in fresh clothes, prepared to dive into the next job.

Work parties can be fun. They are held every Saturday morning at 8 AM and Wednesday "after daylight savings time" evenings at 6 PM. We serve breakfast and lunch. Sometimes there is even entertainment.

John M.

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PGK Lonny Pannuci and PGK Andy Popp stand outside one of the buses to Atlantic City. Everyone had a good time (winners especially).

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