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## RETARDED CITIZENS DRIVE REACHES \$12,736

The Annual Retarded Citizens Drive held in April grossed a record amount of \$12,736 exceeding any prior drive in Council history. The drive was well organized and planned by our co-chairmen John Boyle III, Bill Smela and Mike Kramer. In addition a record sum of money, this year's drive also produced a record number of collectors and counters. All of this was accomplished despite record torrential rains which fell on Sunday.

The canister collections on the various corners and at the local churches amounted to \$9513. The collection from the local business community amounted to \$1440, and the response from the members netted an additional \$1783 from approximately 140 brothers.

Thanks go out to all brothers, families and friends who helped in the process of running this drive. A sincere thank you is expressed by Union Council to the members of the local business community for their generous contributions. They are: Accredited Health Services, Adele Kessler Foundation, All Trades Uniform Rental, American Union Bank, Anthony Panariello & Betty Cervenak, Anthony Russo, B. Warren Hehl, Boyle Co., Boyle Hotels, Barros Inc., Carmen's Bakery, Compact Disc World, Crown Travel, Degnan-Boyle Realtors, Edcon Inc., Emiliani Supply Co., F&S Plumbing & Heating, George's Pro Shop, Gillette Foods, Harmonia Bank, Ideal Graphics Inc., Keystone Promotions, Lee Surgical Supply, Lora Machinery, McCracken Funeral Home, Mr. Sub, Nawrocki's Pharmacy, Peter Louie DDS, Raymond O'Brien Atty., Saul Unter DDS, Schering-Plough, Schwartz's Pharmacy, Shoppers Liquors, Spruce Auto, Temple B'nai Abraham, Thomas DiStefano DMD, Sung's Union EXXON, Ultrapet, Union Center National Bank, Union Elks #1583, Union Little League, Union Plate Glass, United Jersey Bank, Deputy Mayor James Roberts, Dr. Richard Wolf, William McGrath, World Tariff Services Inc. PLEASE PATRONIZE THESE FINE PEOPLE WHEREVER POSSIBLE. The recipients of this year's drive are: Burnet Jr. High TMR program, Camp Fatima, Special Olympics, McCauley School, Boy Scout Troop 555 and State Council Charities.



PGK Bob Pfarr presents a plaque to PGK John Zimmerman on the occasion of the Knighthood Degree that was held in John's honor this past June.

*Past Grand Knight*

*Dinner Dance*

*Honoring*

*PGK Robert Pfarr*

*Sat. Sept. 28th 1991*

*7 to 12*

*Cocktails, Dinner,*

*Dancing*

*and Open Bar*

*\$25.00 per person*

*Call*

*Mr. Barney Capp at*

*964-3143*

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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

## K of C Golf Classic Sat. Oct. 19th

Rain date Oct. 20th

Tee off 10AM

Spooky Brook Golf Course

\$42.50 per duffer

Includes-Green fees, cart,  
food and beer back at the club,  
and PRIZES.

For reservations contact

John Peters - 908-964-6869

Payment Deadline Oct. 12th

## Knight of the Year



PGK Bob Pfarr presents a plaque to Wes Czap, this years Knight of the Year. This award was presented, along with the Columbian Award presented to Jack Bruno, at our June Dinner Meeting.

### Financial Secretary

New address and telephone number

FRANK J. DICKERSON

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## Random Thoughts

There is no greater loan than a sympathetic ear.....Liz Taylor and Will Rogers agree "I never met a man I didn't like"..... We may not imagine our lives more frustrating and complex - you can't do business from there.... Children are like airplanes - you only hear about the ones that crash..... Hospitality is making your guests feel at home even though you wish they were.... Trying to squash a rumor is like trying to unring a bell..... There is no prejudice so strong as that which arises from a fancies exemption from all prejudice..... Ignorance doesn't kill you but it makes you sweat alot..... Men: statistics show no women ever shot her husband doing dishes!!!..... By perserverance the snail reached the ARK..... If you have anything after taxes;its a receipt-Family:A unit composed not only of children, but of men, women, an occasional animal, and the common cold..... Make someone happy, mind your business..... The only perfect mates come in shoes and gloves..... When you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot, hang on, and swing..... Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one.

## Grand Knight's Column

Don Pfarr



It seems like it was just a few weeks ago when the pool was opened to kick off the Summer season. Now Labor Day is upon us and so the summer of '91 will slowly fade behind us while its' memories linger on.

We have one more opportunity, however, to briefly hold onto Summer with our Annual Family Picnic on Saturday, September 7th. If you haven't already purchased your tickets you can still do so at the gate. I'm looking forward to seeing you there.

While the pace during the summer is usually not quite as hectic for most, there has been a fair amount of activity around the Council. Membership Chairman Pat Sheridan has been busy conducting interviews with a large number of candidates and we recently held our initial First Degree of the new Columbian year with a very sizable class. The Blood Drive we held on August 11th was the most successful one in recent memory and I thank everyone who came out to donate. Congratulations also to Blood Bank Chairman, Dom Clementoni PGK who did an excellent job of coordinating and promoting this worthwhile cause.

As we turn our attention to September our sights are set on students going back to school and getting back into the regular work routine with the hectic pace that is so familiar to us. At the Council it is also the time of year that we set aside to honor our immediate Past Grand Kight to formally recognize the contributions he has made and to thank him for all he has done for the Council. So I encourage you to mark Saturday, September 28th on your calendars and come out for the Past Grand Knight's Dinner Dance to be held this year in honor of PGK Bob Pfarr.

We also begin our First Friday Mass Program for the year on September 6th. Please come out and join us as our Chaplain Fr. Ed will be our celebrant. Finally, a reminder that there is still work to be done outside to close up the pool, patio and picnic areas. Especially for our new members, this is an ideal way to get involved, to meet some of your brother knights and also to receive pool passes for next season. See you at the Council!

**ASK ANOTHER MAN  
TO BE A KNIGHT!**



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

Have you ever seen the Off-Broadway musical "The Fantasticks"? It opened in the late Fifties at the Sullivan Street Playhouse in New York and is still running over thirty years later. It was the first play I ever saw, back when I was in grammar school. It's best known for its classic song "Try to Remember": "Try to remember the kind of September when life was slow and oh so mellow.... Try to remember when life was so tender that no one wept except the willow..."

Well life's pace has quickened considerably for me since that grammar school September; I've done my share of weeping too-- haven't we all? But it is good to remember September's freshness, September's promise of new beginnings. As "Try to Remember" goes on: "Deep in December it's nice to remember without a hurt the heart is hollow..." December comes in every life, often again and again: times of loss and sorrow, time of confusion and doubt. It is good to remember that the hurts, meaningless and cruel as they so often seem, are not borne in vain: they can with God's help, hollow out our hearts for loving, for forgiving, for consoling.

For we need not only look back to our Septembers of years past, our September of promise. Beyond every December is yet another September when the grass might be green and the grain yellow once again, where dreams might once again be dreamt. God is not merely the God of the past. He is the God of our present and our future too, of all that is and was and is yet to be.

Try to remember Septembers past to be sure, the days of youth-filled promise. But look forward too to Septembers yet to be, September of the harvest when seeds of love and hopefulness sown in tears will be reaped in joy

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
SEPTEMBER**

- Sept. 6 First Friday
- Sept. 7 Council Picnic
- Sept. 8 Council Picnic rain date
- Sept. 28 PGK Dinner Dance

**KNIGHT of THE MONTH  
September, 1991**



**Frank Cherney**

Our Knight of the Month for September, 1991 is Frank Cherney. Frank is single and resides in Elizabeth with his mother, Helena, where they have lived for eleven years. He is a communicant of St. Catherine's parish in Hillside.

Frank has been a member of Union Council since 1987. His desire to become a Knight was so strong, that he persuaded his doctor to release him early from a hospital stay, so that he could attend his first degree exemplification.

Frank is a 4th degree member of the John F. Kennedy Assembly, where he marches with the Color Corps.

Around the Council, Frank has participated in our bowling league, helped out during the Retarded Citizens Drive and worked at the snack bar. Frank is one of those Knights that can't say no when asked to give a hand.

Frank is employed by Singer Shop-Rite, where he has worked for 17 years.

When he finds time, Frank's leisure activities include rooting for the Mets and collecting baseball cards.

Union Council is pleased to congratulate Frank Cherney as our Knight of the Month for September, 1991.

**NOTICE**

The Columbian Swim Club is redeeming Pool Bonds. Please complete the Bond and return it to George Clark at 1162 Jeanette Ave., Union NJ 07083 or if you can not find your Bond contact George Clark at 908-688-8753 for a waiver.

**Union Council  
Comes Thru**

Responding to an urgent appeal for **BLOOD DONORS**, Union Council's brother knights, wives and friends made our semi-annual Blood Donors Day the most successful we have had in a number of years. Even though the drive was scheduled from 10 AM to 3 PM, the personnel from The North Jersey Blood Center went right on processing the donors until 4:30 PM. At that time we had to ask a number of donors if they would donate at Union Hospital on August 19th from 3 to 7 PM. Any brother knight who could not make it on August 11 to donate can do so at Union Hospital or Overlook Hospital or at any location. The North Jersey Blood Center is conducting a drive. If you do so please make sure you give the Knights of Columbus account #4635, so we will be credited for your donation.

Many thanks to Mike Malloy and Rich Santangelo for the delicious hot turkey sandwiches, coffee and cake served and to the swim club for the passes given to all donors. A special thank you to all those who took time on a really beautiful Sunday afternoon to give the "The Gift of Life".

Fraternally  
Dom Clementoni PGK  
Blood Bank Chairman

**TELEPHONE**

During June and July this year we added 10 new captains and lost only 4. This must be a record of sorts. We now have 83 captains. We thank the following brothers for their willingness to assist us:

- Joe Haggerty
- Frank Fabiano
- Mike Kramer
- Mike Festa
- Charles Poppe
- Ernie Santoriello
- Lou Faraone
- Mike Soriano
- John Huetz
- Al Petracca

It may seem greedy but we can always use more captains. There are still a lot of members residing in Union who are not being called. Think about it!

Art Weber  
688-7269

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