



# Knights Digest



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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL PICNIC SEPT. 11th

There will be lots of food, then some more food then after that there will be more food. Please don't be left out of our annual picnic. The cost is only \$30.00 per family or if you are coming alone the cost will be \$12.00 per single adult or \$8.00 per child. As in the past we will have youth activities for the kids. There will be more information posted on the bulletin board by the pool. Get your tickets early, so we can cry in our soda's or beer's saying goodbye to a great summer at the Knights. Please contact our Picnic Chairman Sam Maffei at 851-0813 if you have any questions.

## SWIM CLUB NEWS

Just when you thought the summer of "98" was a season to remember, well along came the hot summer of "99".

This year 515 families enjoyed their Swim Club, cooling off at the pool. As always, this September Digest always brings a closure to the swim club season.

Congratulations are in order to the Swim Team on another undefeated season, making it two consecutive years in a row. A big thank you to John McEvoy as judge and starter. The team celebrated with a party on August 12<sup>th</sup>, with trophies and food and desserts.

Your Board of Directors will be developing new plans during the off-season to implement new and improved ways of an even better swim club season next summer.

As always your comments and suggestions are welcomed. Eight months to the summer of "2000."

## ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE Sept 12 – Oct. 12, 1999 (Or When All Are Fed)

When things in our own lives are going well, it is easy to forget the more unfortunate of our society.

This year, as in every year, you are being asked to offer some support to our Annual Food Drive, be it supplies, paper products, baby food or diapers, or any food products from the back of your pantry, or; if you happen to work in a food related industry, a possible contribution would be greatly appreciated by the organizations which have become dependant upon us. Also, please consider a financial contribution for purchases of basic essentials.

Fraternally  
Ray Barnes (908) 436-1515  
Tom Conte (908) 687-4898

## RUNNELL'S HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS

Since the beginning of the year members and families of our council have been volunteering their time assisting patients who want to attend the 10 AM Sunday services at Runnell's Hospital in Berkeley Heights. The hospital chaplain is also searching for a volunteer organist to play at the Catholic Sunday Mass.

The schedule for the remainder of the year for our council is as follows: September 26, October 31 and December 5. Please try to arrive at the hospital between 9:15 and 9:30 AM.

For more information and directions contact Richard Esposito at (908) 688-6979.

## Past Grand Knight's Dinner Dance

Honoring

**P.G.K. RICHARD ESPOSITO**

Saturday, September 25, 1999

8:00 pm to 12:00 am

Cocktails, Dinner, Dancing  
& Open Bar

\$25.00 per person

Call:

Bob Wozniak – 973-386-7734

Tom McGarvey – 908-964-3756

Barney Capriglione – 908-687-1566

## CHAIRMAN NEEDED

Chairman and co-chairman are still needed for some Council activities. If you would like to chair an event or if you have an idea for an activity that you would be willing to chair we would like to hear from you.

You can express your interest by attending our next meeting or by contacting Rich Esposito at (908) 688-6979.

## BLOOD DRIVE

St. Michael's Parish, Union, N.J. will hold a Blood Drive on Sunday, September 26, 1999. The drive will take place in the School Cafeteria, 1212 Kelly Street. The time is 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Breakfast will be served to all who come. Necessary requirements to donate are your Social Security Card and a signed form of identification. Remember, it takes a special kind of person to donate blood. Please help us to make this drive a success.

Thank you,  
Sr. Ann Dominic  
and Committee

# Knight Digest

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## COUNCIL OFFICERS

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Trustee 3 Yrs.	Rich Esposito
Lecturer	Frank Esposito
Col. Club Pres.	Joseph Wilmore
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 Thurs. .... 4th Degree Color Corps  
3rd Wed. .... 4th Degree Regular  
4th Wed. .... Council Committees  
4th Thurs. .... Columbian Club

## PLAYGROUND 2000

We will be putting new mulch in the playground area in late September and October.

We need volunteers and if anyone owns and operates a front end loader or knows someone that could donate some time with their loader please, please don't be shy. Our kids deserve the best !!

Contact:

John Peters 810-1283

Paul Weisenbacker 688-2304

## FIRST FRIDAY

Our First Friday program for this Columbian year begins on October 1 with a 7:30 PM mass at the Council. Come join Father Tony as we celebrate our Lords gift to us. All members and their families, friends and relatives are welcome to attend.

## INSURANCE REPORT

Pension maximization, the 100% option, is a phrase I'm sure many of you have heard of but, exactly how does it work. The simple explanation is that life insurance is used to replace a surviving spouse's lifetime income from a pension plan. The retiring employee gets 100% of his or her pension benefit. At the employee's death, the spouse is provided income from the life insurance proceeds. This allows the employee and the spouse to receive the highest possible pension payout while both are living.

Without a pension maximization plan the employee may have to consider reducing his pension in order to provide his or her spouse with income. If the spouse dies before the employee the pension payment CANNOT be increased. To find out how a pension maximization can benefit your family please contact me Joe Beninato, PGK (732) 287-2214.

## ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH WILL SPONSOR A

### GALA OKTOBERFEST

SAT. OCT. 23, 1999

7 pm to 11 pm

THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD AT  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 4504

1034 Jeanette Ave., Union, NJ

This delicious German dinner will be served family style with Fruit Cup and Salad – and a special dessert !!

Entertainment – Dancing –

Beer – Soda

**\$25.00 per person**

**Tables of 10 - \$240.00**

**Don't Miss This One !**

Contact;

**Steve Patricco – 688-8607**

**Tom Conte – 687-4898**

## DINNER/TRICKY TRAY

Thurs., Oct. 21, 1999

L'Affaire Restaurant

**\$25.00 Complete Dinner**

A donation to Breast Cancer Research will be made in memory of *Millie Garbrias*.

Reserve your table now ! **Call: Iris at 964-4123.**

We need handcrafted items, New unused and monetary donations, **Call: Janice at 964-1447.** Hundreds of gifts will be raffled this night !!!

Come out for a great night and meet Goumba Johnny, DJ form 103.5.

## NEW YEAR'S EVE

Dear Brother Knights:

This may seem a little early to be discussing New Year's eve plans, but we are talking about the year 2000.

I have been solicited by some members, to potentially make this year and only this year's festivities a family affair.

Their reasons are genuine, many members would like to celebrate this historic new year with children at the Knights of Columbus. I have also been approached by other members who feel New Year's Eve is an adult celebration, and feel children would not be appropriate which is also very valid.

I have discussed this at our officers meeting, and it was decided at our September 13<sup>th</sup> council meeting to bring it up under new business so all members that have a opinion may communicate to me in a courteous and Knightly manner their feeling's on this subject.

The October digest will have an article about our New Year's plans. What ever is decided, we will do our best to make this years celebration the best ever. So please get ready to make your reservations because we have to limit the number of people. Don't miss the gala of the century.

Kevin Collins, Grand Knight

## POINT SYSTEM

The Charitable Point System is still in place . . . going strong . . . and should be considered seriously !!!

If you were fortunate enough to have been accepted into the Swim Club this 1999 season, without having submitted your Point Card satisfied, than please get involved . . . at the Family Picnic . . . helping set-up First Friday Masses (and attending) . . . Rose Sunday collections, swim & Columbian Club work parties . . . and so many other ways to support our goals. If you need support in your endeavors please contact a council officer or myself. If you think you are immune . . . you are wrong !!

Fraternally,  
Tom Conte - 687-4898

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## MACY'S THANKSGIVING DAY PARADE

Come join us in the morning for New York's biggest parade to kick off the holiday season, and be home in time for turkey dinner.

Details will be in October's digest. For more information and reservations contact chairman Tom Hahn or his wife Monica at 908-851-2672.

## \*\* REVISION \*\*

**\*\*BY POPULAR DEMAND\*\***

### 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL COLUMBIAN CLUB WINTER GOLF GETAWAY Myrtle Beach, South Carolina **\$485.00 per person**

RATE INCLUDES:

Roundtrip airfare from Newark Airport - 3 nights hotel accommodations at the Beach Cove Golf Resort - Full Breakfast each morning - 3 rounds of golf with shared cart - Cocktail party on Saturday evening - Indoor Pig Roast on the way to the airport Monday 2/28<sup>th</sup> - Car Rentals (4 per ar) - ALL TAXES.

#### Golf Courses:

Myrtle West, Sandpiper Bay and Possum Trot.

\*Space is limited to 48\*

\*Reservations will accepted on a first come basis\*

\*Reservations must be received along with a \$200.00 Nonrefundable deposit no later than October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1999

A second deposit of \$100.00 is due no later than November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1999.

- Final payment of \$185.00 is due no later than January 15, 2000.
- All Money received is NON-REFUNDABLE

All rates are based on 48 passengers.

For information please contact:  
**JOHN PETERS - 810-1283**

## MEMBERSHIP

Please note that 1<sup>st</sup> Degrees have been scheduled for Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, and Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. If you have a candidate which you feel confident sponsoring, please get a form #100 completed and in at least 2-3 weeks prior to the next degree . . . it would help to assure their acceptance in time, if your late we'll try !!!

The principles of membership to our order are what we base our worthy commitment to our church on.

Remember Quality !! Not Quantity

Please look to myself, Rich Fuentes and Tom Schreiner for further support in "Our Quest For The Right Stuff."

Fraternally,  
Tom Conte - (908) 687-4898

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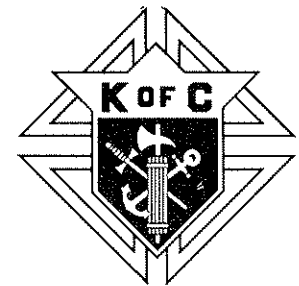
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## DISCOVER HOW GOOD IT FEELS TO ASK A FRIEND TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!



Today's victims are unborn babies - the most helpless victims in all of history, unable to prevent their own destruction. Help us protect their inalienable right to life. Join us.  
Let your humanity shine!

**JOIN RIGHT TO LIFE.**

# Union Council is sponsoring a Council Directory for the Columbian Year 2000.

Photo times  
are available  
during the  
week of  
November  
8<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>.

All purchased  
photos will be  
delivered to  
your home  
before  
Christmas.

(no purchase required)

Be a part of  
Council history by  
participating in this  
free photography  
session.

## Our Council Directory

*It won't be complete  
without you!*

**FREE**  
**8x10**  
Natural Color  
Portrait  
for participating  
families.

Free Directory for  
participating families  
Immediate viewing of  
video proofs  
It takes less than an hour  
Specially priced portrait  
packages  
All major credit cards  
accepted.



### Contacts:

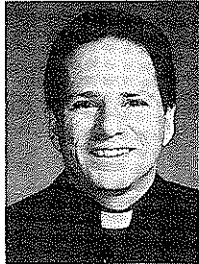
Paul Weisenbacher (908)686-9073

Tony Ferrarro (908) 851-0797

for an appointment

**Chaplain's Column**  
REV. ANTHONY NARDO

This Summer has been hot and dry, dry to the point of a drought. A couple of weeks ago Archbishop McCarrick asked all parishes of the Archdiocese to pray for rain. Well we got a weekend dose just a couple of weeks ago. God heard our prayers ! But, some may say, we still might be in for more of the same. My faith, our faith tells us that God hears us when we pray, he even anticipates our needs even before we ask at times. Jesus said, "ask and you will receive." God gives three answers to our prayers - Yes - No and Wait. Jesus taught us to persevere in asking God for our needs. God especially hears and answers our prayers when we ask for the things of God, for example, patience, joy, peace, love, hope and faith. God knows it all and loves us all. Like a good parent, God wants to give us the things that will truly make us happy. Anything that concerns you concerns God, because he cares for us. So, I guess I am asking you to ask. Jesus is to. Communicate, we need to do that with God. It is called prayer - and remember to give thanks as well.



*In His Love,  
Father Anthony*

**Grand Knight's Column**  
KEVIN COLLINS

It's time to say goodbye to the summer, and reflect on all the joyful times we had. DJ on the Patio on Friday's, Three on Three Basketball Tournament for our children July fourth, two youth splash parties, Clam Bake, Caribbean Night, lets not forget Teddy's cooking when we just did not have the energy to cook at home.



We, of course, will; be finishing the summer with our annual council picnic September 11. Hopefully the summer has energized us for what is truly important, our families, our work and helping people and causes through The Knights of Columbus.

Our first big fund raiser this year will be the Tricky Tray Benefit Dinner on Thursday, October 21, at 6:00 PM at L'Affaire Restaurant. This past year we had a Brother Knights wife pass away from breast cancer, with the council's approval we would to take a percentage of the fund raiser profits and donate it to breast cancer in her name. Please bring a friend or organize a table for this very worth while fund raiser. You can contact myself or Janice Hibbard for tickets.

Please don't forget the Knights of Columbus main principales. We are **Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism** with charity always being our primary goal.

I invite all of you to participate in as many meetings as possible and see first hand the tens of thousands of dollars we give away to local charities. Lets all rejoice for the new school year.

Sincerely,  
Kevin Collins, Grand Knight

**CALENDAR**

*September 1999*

- 6 Mon.....Officers Meeting 8:00
- 11 Sat. ....Council Family Picnic
- 12 Sun. ....Picnic Rain Date
- 13 Mon. .... Council Meeting 8:15
- 20 Mon. ....Swim Club Meeting 8:00
- 23 Thur. ....Col. Club Meeting 7:30
- 25 Sat. ....PGK Dinner Dance
- 27 Mon. .... Council Meeting

*October 1999*

- 1 Fri. ....First Friday Mass 7:30
- 4 Mon. ....Officers Meeting
- 9 Sat. ....Rose Sale St. Michaels  
5:30 Mass
- 10 Sun. ....Rose Sale St. Michaels  
All Masses
- 11 Mon..... Council Meeting First  
Degree 8:15 pm
- 16 Sat. ....Golf Outing  
Farmstead Country Club
- 18 Mon. ....Swim Club Mtg. 8:00
- 21 Thur. ....Dinner/ Benefit Auction.  
at L'Affaire
- 23 Sat.....,Rose Sale Holy Spirit  
Evening Mass
- 24 Sun.... Children's Halloween Party
- 24 Sun. .... Rose Sale Holy Spirit  
All Masses
- 25 Mon. .... Council Meeting
- 28 Thur. ....Col. Club Meeting
- 30 Sat. ....Halloween Dance

*November, 1999*

- 1 Mon. .... Officers Meeting
- 5 Fri. ....First Friday 7:30
- 7 Sun. ....Annual Memorial Mass  
St. Michael's 9:00 am -  
Communion Breakfast follows  
At Council Hall
- 8 Mon. .... Council Meeting
- 10 Wed. ....,2<sup>nd</sup> Degree 8:15
- 15 Mon. .... Swim Club Meeting
- 18 Thur. ....Col. Club Meeting
- 21 Sun. ....Semi-Annual Blood Drive
- 22 Mon. ....Council Meeting 8:15
- 24 Wed. ....,3<sup>rd</sup> Degree

**HALLMARK ROAST  
OF FAME**

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND  
A NIGHT FOR MEN  
FRIDAY, NOV. 19, 1999  
7:30 PM TO 11:30 PM  
\$10.00 PER PERSON  
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Appetizer, Salad, Roast Pork Dinner,  
Dessert - Beer and Wine  
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For Tickets:

Bob Wozniak 973-386-7734  
Andy Popp 908 688-6951  
?? THE HONOREE ??

**MAY 2000 CONVENTION  
WILDWOOD  
Newer - Bigger  
HOTEL  
Details Will Follow**

**ROSES FOR LIFE**

Have you ever thought about what you can do to help women choose life for their unborn instead of choosing abortion? Our annual Rose Sale will be taking place this October at St. Michael's and Holy Spirit in Union. The money collected will go to organizations that help women in crisis. If you can donate 15 minutes before or after mass, please contact Jim Sondey at (908) 688-1889.  
Thank you!