



# Knights Digest



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## Michael Gasser Installed as 32nd Grand Knight

On July 7, 1989 Michael Gasser was installed as the 32nd Grand Knight of Union Council 4504 of the Knights of Columbus.

A Mass was celebrated in honor of the newly elected officers at St. Elizabeth's Church in Linden, concelebrated by the Council's Chaplain Fr. Ed Gedrich and Fr. Karl Roesch, Pastor of St. Elizabeth's and Fr. Patrick Hurley, also from St. Elizabeth's Church.

Other officers for the Columbian Year of 1989-1990 installed by District Deputy and PGK Jim Johnson were Bob Pfarr, Deputy Grand Knight; Don Pfarr, Chancellor; Jack Kelly, Warden; Frank Dickerson PGK, Financial Secretary; James Feehan, Recorder; Alex Pastushenko, Treasurer; Raymond Fluet, Inside Guard; Donald Wolfe, Outside Guard; Thomas McGarvey PGK, Paul Sandy PGK, Michael Carr PGK, Trustees. Appointments



included, Tom Hornig PGK, Program Director; Russ Albert, Membership Director; James Conlon, Advocate; Dan Raimondo, Lecturer.

Appointments made by the Grand Knight were Bob Gaitens, Church Activities; Michael Kramer, Youth Activities; Bob Commarato, Council Activities; John Salvatore, Community Activities; Andy Popp PGK, Family Life Activities; Jack Kelly, Blood Bank; Jim O'Connell, Computer and Roster; Joe Partly and Peter Fortunato, Mailings; Art Weber, Telephone; Mike Hrifko, Make-A-Wish Foundation; John Peters, Digest Editor, Public Relations and Newark Airport Chapel Chairman; Jules Pruszkowski, Bingo Chairman.

A reception followed at the Council Hall where 200 guests attended to wish our new Grand Knight and Officers good luck. It was an enjoyable night for all in attendance.

### P.G.K. Dinner

Honoring

Michael Carr

Saturday Sept. 23rd

7:30PM

Dinner, Dancing

& Open Bar

\$35.00 per Couple

Reservations call

Tom or Barney

964-3143

### COUNCIL PICNIC "89"

Tickets are now available.

Saturday, September 16, 1989 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Come for some food, games, and prizes for everyone

Tickets	Advance Sale	At Gate
Family	\$21.00	\$25.00
Adult	\$ 8.00	\$10.00
Senior Citizen(65+)	\$ 6.00	\$ 7.00
Children(5-17)	\$ 6.00	\$ 7.00

Deadline for Advance Ticket Sales is September 10.

Contact: Gary Hornig 241-5689  
Mike Hrifko 688-2863  
Mike Carr 354-3186

### Halloween Dance

Oct 28th

Keep This Date Open

Costume's Optional

Music by D.J. Tony

More Details in

October Digest

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## Grand Knights's Column

Michael Gasser



The summer of '89 is quickly drawing to a close. I hope everyone had a healthy, safe and enjoyable summer. As September approaches the Council's programs get into high gear.

Our First Friday Program begins another year on the 8th. Our Chaplain, Father Ed Gedrich will be the celebrant and guest speaker. Mass begins at 7:30pm. Then on September 16th our Annual Council Picnic will be held in the picnic grove. Please come and enjoy an afternoon of fun, good and games. On September 23rd we will have our annual Past Grand Knights Dinner, honoring Past Grand Knight Michael Carr. I would ask that you make every effort to attend this dinner to show appreciation for not only the fine year Mike had as Grand Knight, but for all his years of service to the Council. On the 30th we will have a bingo at the Boys Club. We are always in need of workers for bingo. But if you can't make it to work then come out to play. Finally, last but far from least, on September 17th we will have a blood drive. I feel that along with the Retarded Citizens Drive this may be the most important thing we can do as Knights. Remember that as a member you and your immediate family, are entitled to blood through us if you should ever need it. Also our turnout for blood drives has been dwindling over the last few years. So let's really try to make this drive more successful and give the gift of life.

### GOLF OUTING

The Bi-Annual Golf Outing will be held on Saturday, October 14, 1989 at Apple Mountain Country Club. The price of \$40.00 per person includes greens fee, golf cart, hamburger or hot dog platter and one free beverage of choice. There will be prizes, awards and goodie bag for every player. For reservation and/or information call John Peters on 964-6869. Call early for reservations. Deadline for all money and cutoff date for reservations is October 1, 1989.



## Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Edward Gedrich

The Jewish Calendar has the right idea. Most of us are familiar with the Jewish Holy Days of Rosh Hashanah ("Jewish New Year") and Yom Kippur (the Day of Atonement) that take place in early Fall (familiar for us Catholics if only because they mean a few unexpected days off for our kids in school).

But doesn't it make more sense to mark the beginning of the year in the Fall then two weeks into winter? As the heart of summer fades (along with our tans!) the pace of life quickens — the kids are back in school, the credit card bills from vacation are beginning to come in (and next year's vacation seems so far away), the sweaters come out of the closet as the swimsuits go back in, it gets darker earlier and the new TV season begins (along with football!), and summer vacationers long absent return to their regular pews in Church on Sunday. So many new beginnings!

There's more to these Jewish Holy Days than merely their positions on the calendar. Rosh Hashanah begins a ten-day period of repentance and preparation for atonement that culminates on Yom Kippur — an appropriate way to make a new beginning, by cleansing the stain and healing the stain that sin imposes on our relationships with God and each other.

Our experience of this Fall's energy and freshness might be deepened if we, as Catholics, were to make this time which is so solemn to our Jewish brothers and sisters special for ourselves too. This year, Rosh Hashanah is September 30th, Yom Kippur is October 9th. Throughout those days, let us examine our own relationship with God, our faithfulness to the New Covenant he has made with us in Christ. Then let us turn to God's mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation that we might truly make a new beginning in this season of new beginnings.

Jews and Christians together, as children of Abraham, are called to be a blessing for the world. As our Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, has said: "Christians are on the right path, that of justice and brotherhood, when they seek, with respect and perseverance, to gather with their Semitic brethren around the common heritage which is a treasure to us all." Mindful of our differences, let us remember the great legacy of faith we share.

To focus on what we share — a good way to ensure a new beginning.

### FIRST FRIDAY PROGRAM

Our First Friday will be held on September 8 with Father Edward Gedrich, Council Chaplain, as our Celebrant and speaker.

October 6 First Friday our guest speaker and Celebrant will be Father Ken Herbster Pastor St. Michael's Parish.

November 3 is Father Ron Rozniak, former Pastor of St. Michael's and of St. Joseph's.

December 1 will host Union's Police Department's Crime Prevention Department with Father Ed Gedrich as Celebrant.

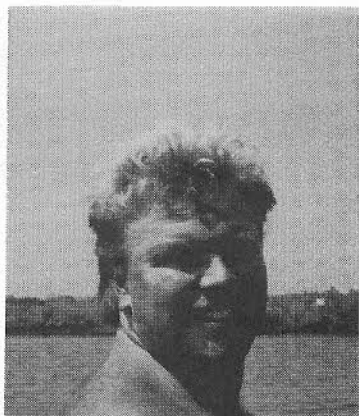
### "RIGHT TO LIFE"

On Sunday, September 24, 1989 there is a March on the State Capitol in Trenton for the Right to Life.

Our Council 4504 has been asked to participate in what we believe in, "THE RIGHT TO LIFE!" We need approximately 300 people from our Council to support this effort. Let's try and be there and make our feelings known. Call Bob Gaitens 688-2760 or Mike Gasser 486-3141.

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

Steven Kilian  
September, 1989



Steven Kilian has been selected as Knight of the Month for September, 1989. Steve and his wife, Ann Marie, and their two sons, Steven and Michael reside in Union. Steve is self-employed in the automobile body shop business.

Steve is one of those Brothers who works quietly behind the scenes. For several years he freely gave of his time and effort to perform the job of snow removal at our Council home. Our thanks go out to Steven for a job well done (many times!!), and our congratulations on being Knight of the Month.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

September	8	- First Friday
	6	- Officer's Meeting
	11	- Council Meeting
	16	- Council Picnic
	17	- Raindate for picnic and Blood Drive (see article)
	18	- Swim Club Meeting
	23	- Past Grand Knight's Dinner
	25	- Council Meeting
	28	- Columbian Club Meeting
	30	- Council Bingo
October	2	- Officer's Meeting
	6	- First Friday
	7/8	- Rose Sale - St. Michael's
	8	- Columbus Park Ceremony
	9	- Council Meeting (1st. Degree)
	14	- Golf Outing and Punt, Pass, & Kick Competition

**BINGO**

Our next scheduled Bingo is on Saturday, September 30. We NEED workers. We NEED players. If you can spare an evening, please contact Jules Pruszkowski at 688-2846.

If you cannot work, come out and play. The Bingo receipts are a major source of revenue for our charitable fund. The more that play - the more we make!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE**

Our Blood Drive is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 17, 1989 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM Refreshments will be served to all donors. As an added bonus all accepted donors will receive a Free Cholesterol Screening courtesy of the North Jersey Blood Center.

**WORK PARTY**

There will be a combined work party on Sept. 23 at 8AM to close up the picnic, pool & patio area. Breakfast & lunch will be served & we are looking forward to seeing you.

**COLUMBIAN SWIM TEAM**

Pictured below is the Columbian Swim Team which just completed its 1989 season. Many ribbons were awarded at the meets. The season ended with a pizza party in which trophies and tee shirts were presented to all the teen swimmers. We are looking forward to a bigger and better season next year. Anyone interested in joining next year, contact a member of the Board of Directors.



Top Row (L-R) Rickey Santangelo, Tom Clark, Chris Ghuzzi, Gerard Galindo, Rickey Della Pia, Tom McGarvey, Brian Ford and Tony Galindo  
Middle Row (L-R) Erin Byrne (Coach), Kelly McGarvey, Joe Pizza, Katherine Green, Danielle Ghuzzi, Kristin Sweetly, Tim Ford, Kelly Ford, Anna Pizza  
Bottom - Deborah McGarvey, Kristin Fabiano  
Not Pictured Anthony Gagliano, Danielle Gagliano, Jaso Krynicki, Amy Krynicki, Alexis Rinaldo, Kerry McKune, Theresa Sunday, Chris Sunday, Steven Boyd

**UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

Punt, Pass, and Kick (ages 8-12 years)	- October 14 (Saturday)
Halloween Party	- October 29 (Sunday)
Christmas Party	- December 17 (Sunday)
Spelling Bee	- February, 1990
Easter Egg Hunt	- April, 1990



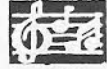


PUNT, PASS, and KICK competition will be held in the Council picnic area at 10:30AM. Boys and girls, ages 8-12, are eligible. Pizza and soda will be served to all the participants after the competition. The rain date will be on Sunday October 15 at 12:30 PM in the Council Picnic area.

ESSAY CONTEST will be open for all students grades 7 - 12. This year's theme is "The Flag of Our Country - What It Means to Me." A \$50 savings bond will be awarded to one student at each grade level at our Youth Awards Dinner.

Essays will start with the title "The Flag of Our Country - What It Means to Me", name immediately below. At the end of the number of words should be noted, the author should give full name, age, address, telephone number, class (7-12), parent's or guardian's full name, address, and telephone number. Essays should be typed, double-spaced, or written legibly in ink. Essays will not be returned. The essays must be submitted on or before October 27.

For any further information, please contact Mike Kramer, Youth Activities Chairman at 687-7156.



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