



Knight Herald

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Grand Knight's Report

Brothers:

There is not too much to report this month. I would like to thank Brothers Norbert Soares and Randy Schmidt for the work and the many hours put in for the Charity Appeal. I would also like to thank all those brothers who have been selling tickets. As this is one of our Councils biggest money makers I sincerely hope and pray that someone will come forward and volunteer to run this operation next year.

On a different note I would like to remind everybody that February's meeting will be our last morning meeting. As of March our meetings will be held in the evenings at 7:30pm.

Our liason officer for Parish Council is Brother Denis Belliveau and I would like to thank him for the great job he is doing.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Knights and their families very happy New year and many blessings also.

Yours in Christ
Jim Wall
Grand Knight

Note of Special Interest!!!

All the Charity Appeal Tickets are Sold

Congratulations Norbert

Calendar of Events

Feb. 1 st	9:00 am Mass followed by 9:30 am General Meeting
Feb. 11 th	Pancake Breakfast after both Masses Team 3 Jim Wall
Feb. 15 th	9:00 am Mass followed by 9:30 am Executive Meeting
Mar. 1 st	7:30 pm General Meeting
Mar. 11 th	Pancake Breakfast after both Masses Team 1 Brendan O'Keeffe
Mar. 15 th	9:00 am Mass followed by 9:30 am Executive Meeting
Mar. 17 th	6:30 pm Irish Night
Apr. 5 th	7:30 pm General Meeting
Apr. 8 th	Pancake Breakfast after both Masses Team 2 Norbert Soares
Apr. 19 th	9:00 am Mass followed by 9:30 am Executive Meeting

I was at the airport, checking in at the gate when an airport employee asked,!

"Has anyone put anything in your baggage without your knowledge?"

To which I replied, "If it was without my knowledge, how would I know?"

He smiled knowingly and nodded, "That's why we ask."

Happened in Birmingham, Ala.

Birthdays in January

Wilfred Carey	January 01
George Despina	January 01
Phil Gendron	January 27
Dale Niwa	January 06
Robert Primeau	January 16
Mario Salas	January 02

Birthdays in February

Edward Augustyn	February 25
Frederick Demmon	February 24
Gerald Fournier	February 13
Michael Garipey	February 15
Arthur Hoffman	February 05
Michael Murphy	February 14
Ronald Nicholas	February 02
Mervin Passula	February 17
James Wall	February 06
Ludwig Weilmier	February 01

Happy Birthday

Prayers are requested for:



Brothers Eugene Sauve, Tony Dixon, Marcel Beaulac, Fred Demmon, Tony Platen, John MacLean, Greg Kelly, Art Hoffman, Stewart Mason, Don Korman, Jack Goldburn & Doreen Goldburn, Tony & Marita Dixon, Lynne Ash, Margaret Norman, Janet Dunn and Lonny Audette.

**Don't let your worries get the best of you; remember,
Moses started out as a basket case.**

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**Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited
until you try to sit in their pews.**

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**Opportunity may knock once, but temptation
bangs on your front door forever.**

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Flag Watch:



If any member knows of anyone flying the Canadian flag, please inform Don Korman or any 4th degree member, and they could have them presented with a "Patriotic Certificate"

Driving in the rain

I wonder how many people know about this?

A 36 year old female had an accident several weeks ago and totalled her car. A resident of Kilgore, Texas, she was traveling between Gladewater & Kilgore It was raining, though not excessively, when her car suddenly began to hydroplane and literally flew through the air. She was not seriously injured but very stunned at the sudden occurrence!

When she explained to the highway patrolman what had happened he told her something that every driver should know - NEVER DRIVE IN THE RAIN WITH YOUR CRUISE CONTROL ON. She had thought she was being cautious by setting the cruise control and maintaining a safe consistent speed in the rain.

But the highway patrolman told her that if the cruise control is on and your car begins to hydroplane -- when your tires lose contact with the pavement, your car will accelerate to a higher rate of speed and you take off like an airplane. She told the patrolman that was exactly what had occurred.

The highway patrol estimated her car was actually traveling through the air at 10 to 15 miles per hour faster than the speed set on the cruise control.

The patrolman said this warning should be listed, on the driver's seat sun-visor - NEVER USE THE CRUISE CONTROL WHEN THE PAVEMENT IS WET OR ICY, along with the airbag warning. We tell our teenagers to set the cruise control and drive a safe speed - but we don't tell them to use the cruise control only when the pavement is dry.

Priceless

A man was being tailgated by a stressed out woman on a busy boulevard. Suddenly, the light turned yellow, just in front of him. He did the right thing, stopping at the crosswalk, even though he could have beaten the red light by accelerating through the intersection.

The tailgating woman was furious and honked her horn, screaming in frustration as she missed her chance to get through the intersection, dropping her cell phone and makeup.

As she was still in mid-rant, she heard a tap on her window and looked up into the face of a very serious police officer. The officer ordered her to exit her car with her hands up.

He took her to the police station where she was searched, finger printed, photographed and placed in a holding cell. After a couple of hours, a policeman approached the cell and opened the door. She was escorted back to the booking desk where the arresting officer was waiting with her personal effects.

He said, "I'm very sorry for this mistake. You see, I pulled up behind your car while you were blowing your horn, flipping off the guy in front and yelling obscenities. I noticed the 'What Would Jesus Do' bumpersticker, the 'Choose Life' License plate holder, the 'Follow Me to Sunday-School' bumper sticker and the chrome-plated Christian fish emblem on the trunk.

Naturally...I assumed you had stolen the car."

Knights of Columbus Council 7991
General Meeting, January 4, 2007

The meeting was preceded by mass at 9:00 am and breakfast, and then Grand Knight Bro. Jim Wall called it to order at 10:00 am. The warden reported that all present were in possession of a valid membership card. An opening prayer was said.

The **roll of officers** was called and recorded as follows. (P – present, A – absent, E – excused)

Chaplain, Fr. Jozef Kobos, P	Lecturer, Bro. Sandy Fraser, P
Grand Knight, Bro. Jim Wall, P	One Year Trustee, Bro. Emmett Urquhart, P
Deputy Grand Knight, Bro. Fred Demmon, P	Two Year Trustee, Bro. John Smart, P
Chancellor, Bro. Bjorn Haajensen, E	Three Year Trustee, Bro. Silvere Brochez, A
Financial Secretary, Bro. David Nenzel, E	Advocate, Bro. John Poirier, P
Recorder, Bro. Dale Niwa, P	Inside Guard, Bro. Mike Hanlon, P
Warden, Bro. Tony Dunn, P	Outside, Guard, Bro. Al Kennedy, P
Treasurer, Bro. Ray Misanchuk, P	Past Grand Knight, Bro. Randy Schmidt, P

The *Opening Ode* was sung.

Bro. Tony Dunn moved and Bro. Fred Demmon seconded that the **minutes** of the meeting of December 7 be adopted as printed. Carried.

Membership chairman Bro. Al Walsh reported that there were four transfers/reinstatements.

- Bro. Marcel Kramer - Bro. Walsh moved and Bro. Tony Antoniuk seconded that Bro. Kramer be admitted.
- Bro. Leslie Bodie introduced himself. Bro. Walsh moved and Bro. Ray Desjardins seconded that Bro. Bodie be admitted. Carried.
- Bro. Brian Brilling has applied for reinstatement. Bro. Walsh moved and Bro. Gordon Johnston seconded that Bro. Brilling be readmitted. Carried.
- Bro. Jerry Taylor introduced himself. Bro. Walsh moved and Bro. Fred Demmon seconded that Bro. Taylor be admitted. Carried.
- Bro. Leslie Bodie's son-in-law has expressed interest in joining the Knights but he is not a practical Catholic. Fr. Jozef will talk with him to see if he can be qualified.

The **Grand Knight's report** is printed in the *Knights Herald*.

Chaplain, Fr. Jozef Kobos, reported that the coming Epiphany Sunday marks the end of the Christmas season. He thanked all for the Christmas wishes and gifts.

Treasurer, Bro. Ray Misanchuk reported the following account balances as of December 31, 2006. (The full report is on file.)

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| • Available Cash Balance | \$4,988.29 |
| • Plan 24 Savings Account | \$1,000.00 |
| • Coastal Credit Union Bond | \$19,000.00 |
| • Gaming Account | \$10,549.14 |

Bro. Misanchuk moved and Bro. John Smart seconded that the report be accepted as presented.

- o Bro. Fred Gorman questioned how payments could be made in the absence of a Financial Secretary to sign warrants, in particular three \$100 cheques as Christmas gifts for Fr. Jozef, Sr. Bettie, and Rosemary Blank. The motion to accept was withheld. Bro. Tony Antoniuk moved and Bro. Ed Peacock seconded that the three cheques be approved. Carried.

The motion to accept the treasurer's report was carried.

Bro. Ray Misanchuk, for **Financial Secretary**, Bro. David Nenzel reported the following income and expenditures for the month of December 2006. (The full report is on file.)

- Total Income \$4,360.08
- Total Expenses \$2,451.41

Bro. Misanchuk moved and Bro. Tony Dunn seconded that the report be accepted as presented. Carried.

Program Director, Bro. Fred Demmon called upon the following directors to report.

- **Church Director**, Bro. Ray Desjardins asked for and obtained three volunteers for a funeral on January 6.
- **Community Director**, Bro. Sandy Fraser thanked those who helped with the Christmas decorations.
- **Parish Council Representative**, Bro. Dennis Belliveau reported that there was no Parish Council meeting in December; the next meeting will be on January 16.
- **Charity Appeal Coordinator**, Bro. Norbert Soares reported that he would be sending in a batch of sold tickets on January 6. There remain 39 books to be sold in the mall, and 24 at Quality Foods. There have again been several shortages.
- **Pancake Chairman**, Bro. Brendan O'Keeffe announced that Bro. Norbert Soares' team will be preparing the February breakfast.
- **Membership Chairman**, Bro. Al Walsh enquired whether in the absence of the Financial Secretary he could change the date on a membership card. The Advocate suggested that he should wait for the FS's return.
- The Grand Knight explained that **Pro-Life Chairman**, Bro. Italo Raviglione has suspended his active participation in Council activities for a year because of an apparent lack of Council support for certain religious activities. It was suggested that the rosary be recited at the beginning of each meeting as a part of the meeting. Fr. Jozef preferred that participation in religious activities be a matter of personal choice. He later suggested that one decade of the rosary might be recited at the beginning of the meetings. The Grand Knight announced that he has asked that the morning masses on the first Thursday of November 2007 through February 2008 be said for the intentions of the Knights.
- Acting **Fourth Degree Liaison** Bro. Fred Gorman announced that the January 21 meeting would be held in Parksville/Qualicum Beach.
- **Funerals Director**, Bro. Tom Cunniffe requested and obtained volunteers to assist with the clean up after Saturday's funeral.
- **Newsletter Editor**, Bro. Brendan O'Keeffe was asked to express Council's thanks to his secretary.
- **Council Director**, Bro. Fred Demmon reminded all that Quarterly Reports are due January 5.
- **PR Chairman**, Bro. Dennis Belliveau reported that he has pictures of the Appreciation Night and that he is working on an *Activities Album*. A mid-winter dance is in the planning for February 23 or 24; he is open to suggestions and may also need some help. There is no news yet regarding the *Parish Directory*.

Unfinished Business:

- Bro. Ray Misanchuk moved and Bro. Al Walsh seconded that the proposed 2007 budget be accepted as presented. (Notice of motion was presented at the December meeting.) Carried.
- Bro. Randy Schmidt moved and Bro. Gordon Johnston seconded that the bill for the new fridge (\$802.28) be paid. (Notice of motion for \$700 plus tax was presented at the December meeting.) Carried.
- It was suggested that a letter of thanks be sent to the CWL for financing the renovation of the parish kitchen.
- Bro. Fred Gorman reported that several artists have been contacted regarding the proposed stained glass windows for the church. So far the proposal is very preliminary.
- Bro. Ray Misanchuk reported that of the \$20,000 received from the liquidation of the diocese bond, he has invested \$19,000 at 4% with the Coastal Community Credit Union and \$1000 in a Blue Chips account. The \$1000 will be used to pay the fridge bill.
- Bro. Dennis Belliveau reported that a necrology plaque for our Council already exists but needs updating, thus negating the need for the proposed plaque on a cairn near the flagpole.
- Bro. Brendan O'Keeffe will discuss updating the roster with Bro. David Nenzel when he returns from his holiday.

Under the **Good of the Order**, prayers were requested for Bros. Stuart Mason (who would appreciate some Knight visitors), Marcel Beaulac, Tony Platen, and Don Korman. A prayer was said.

New Business:

- Bro. Romeo Thiboutot suggested that we have a photo file of Council members.
- Bro. Fred Gorman reported that Bro. John Gregoire's wife needs some help moving. Bro. Brendan O'Keeffe will assist her.
- Bro. Fred Gorman expressed thanks to Bros. Ed Peacock and Brendan O'Keeffe and their wives for preparing the Christmas meal.
- Bro. Al Walsh expressed thanks and congratulations to all Knights for their efforts in the year 2006.
- Bro. Ray Misanchuk reported that 203 Lifestyle Books have been sold making a profit of \$1516.

Bro. Gordon Johnston won the 50/50 draw. The closing ode was sung, and the meeting was adjourned.

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