



Knights Herald

Ascension Council 7991

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Grand Knight's Report

Brothers:

This will be a busy month. The Appreciation Pot Luck Dinner will take place on April 21st. We are hoping for a good turnout and some interesting food as we are asking that you bring along a dish representative of your heritage. to tantalize our taste buds.

Last month I went to Port Alberni with Past Grand Knight Randy Schmidt & Membership Director Al Walsh to witness Karunkaren Jainshaw receive his 1st Degree. Our State Membership has informed us that the Knights of British Columbia and Yukon have hit the 10,000 mark for membership. Brothers, in many cases all it takes is to ask someone we know in the Parish if he would like to become a Knight, maybe that is all they are waiting for is to be asked.

There is a Major Degree in Powell River on March 24th, and as both the Deputy Grand Knight and I have other commitments that day our Brother Bjorn Haajensen has agreed to go. Hopefully we will have 5 Brothers going for their 2nd and 3rd Degrees on that day. They will leave on an early ferry and be picked up by Brother Knights on the other side, returning the same evening.

Brothers, we will have Stations of the Cross on Friday evening the 23rd at 7:00PM. Brother Ray Desjardins will be calling for your assistance in this worship. Please make every effort to be there with your fellow Knights. Many thanks to Father Jozef for the many things he does as our Chaplain and our Parish Priest for us Knights of Columbus.

Jim Wall
Grand Knight

Calendar of Events

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
Apr. 21 st	6:30 pm Annual Appreciation Night
May 3 rd	7:30 pm General Meeting
May 5 th	Annual Garage Sale
May 13 th	Pancake Breakfast after both Masses Team 3 Herb Rokosh
May 17 th	9:00 am Mass followed by 9:30 am Executive Meeting
May 27 th	Annual Golf Tournament
June 7 th	7:30 pm General Meeting
June 10 th	Pancake Breakfast after both Masses Team 1 Brendan O'Keeffe
June 21 st	9:00 am Mass followed by 9:30 am Executive Meeting

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - DONATE:

The **ANNUAL GARAGE SALE** is planned for May 5, 2007 and any working & usable items offered for this sale will be welcomed. Please set aside any items you wish to donate in support of this event and arrangements will be made for pick-up.

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Birthdays in March

Lucien Biggemann	March 18
Silvere Brochez	March 24
Anthony Dunn	March 25
Fred Gorman	March 18
Stewart Mason	March 11
Terence Receveur	March 12

Birthdays in April

Jose Deborba	April 18
Keith Mueller	April 08
Brian Mulholland	April 11
Brendan O'Keeffe	April 02
Ronald Stothers	April 06
Beniot Thibodeau	April 16

Happy Birthday & Many Many More



Prayers are requested for:

Brothers Eugene Sauve, Marcel Beaulac, Fred Demmon, Tony Platen, John MacLean, Greg Kelly, Art Hoffman, Stewart Mason, Gregory Canil, Jack Goldburn & Doreen Goldburn, Tony & Marita Dixon, Lynne Ash, Janet Dunn, Lonny Audette, Helen Steele, Florida Gendron & Maria Fedorak.

Brother Fedorak's wife Maria had her 4th stroke 2 weeks ago and is in the Nanaimo Hospital please keep her in your prayers, also Brother Randy Schmidt who's sister passed away last month.

Congratulations to the following Knights who have become Honorary Life Members on February 18 the 25th Anniversary of our Council.

**Tony Antoniuk
Jack Goldburn
Emmett Urquhart**

**Bernard Bradbury
Brian Mulholland
Al Walsh**

**Vincent Carroll
John Toohey**

And to the following Knight's who have become Honorary Members.

Ron Nicholas

Dale Niwa



Flag Watch:

If any member knows of anyone flying the Canadian flag, please inform Fred Gorman at 248-9664 or any 4th degree member, and they could have them presented with a "Patriotic Certificate"

LORD,

Thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will some day be old.

Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody: helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but Thou knowest Lord, that I want a few friends at the end.

Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details: give me wings to get to the point. Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing, and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by.

I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of others' pains, but help me to endure them with patience.

I dare not ask for an improved memory, but for a growing humility, and a lessing cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet: I do not want to be a saint-some of them are so hard to live with-but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the devil.

Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places, and talents in unexpected people. And give me, O Lord, the grace to tell them so.

AMEN

From the 'New Columbia Encyclopedia' Columbia University Press published 1975

"Knights of Columbus- a Roman Catholic society for men founded in 1882. Its objectives are to encourage fraternity and benevolence among its members, to promote tolerance, to encourage civic loyalty, and to protect the interests of the Roman Catholic church".

K of C ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



...The K of C Annual Golf Tournament for 2007 will be held at the Qualicum Beach Memorial Golf and Country Club on **May 27th**. This 18 Hole, Shotgun Start, Best Ball event will start at **1:00pm** sharp. **Supper** will be served at **6:00pm** at Ascension Church parish hall. The cost of **golf and supper** is **\$40**. and the cost of **supper** only is **\$15**. **Everyone** is **welcome** to participate in this fun event. Please call Mike Murphy at 752 - 6941 for further information.



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:

A CATHOLIC HEART ATTACK

A man suffered a serious heart attack and had open heart bypass surgery.
He woke from the surgery to find himself in the care of nuns at a Catholic Hospital.

As he was recovering,

A nun asked him questions regarding how he was going to pay for his treatment.

She asked if he had health insurance.

He replied, in a raspy voice,

"No health insurance."

The nun asked if he had money in the bank.

He replied, "No money in the bank..."

The nun asked, "Do you have a relative who could help you?"

He said, "I only have a spinster sister, who is a nun."

"The nun became agitated and announced loudly,

"Nuns are not spinsters!

Nuns are married to God."

The patient replied,

"Then send the bill to my brother-in-law".



A LITTLE IRISH HUMOR

A little Irish lad was waiting for his mother to come out of the grocery store.

As he waited he was approached by a man who asked; "Son, can you tell me where the Post Office is?"

The little boy replied, "Sure, just go straight down the street a couple of blocks and turn to your right"

The man thanked the boy kindly and said, "I'm the new pastor in town and I'd like for you to come to church on Sunday. I'll show you how to get to Heaven"

The little boy replied with a chuckle, "Awwww. come on now, You don't even know the way to the Post Office!"

**Knights of Columbus Council 7991
General Meeting, March 1, 2007**

Grand Knight Bro. Jim Wall called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The warden reported that all 32 present were in possession of a valid membership card. An opening prayer was said. *O Canada* was sung.

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, E
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, A	Three Year Trustee, Bro. Silvere Brochez, A
Financial Secretary, Bro. David Nenzel, P	Advocate, Bro. John Poirier, A
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, E

The *Opening Ode* was sung.

Bro. Tony Dunn moved and Bro. Romeo Thiboutot seconded that the **minutes** of the meeting of February 1 be adopted as presented. Carried.

Membership chairman, Bro. Al Walsh introduced **new First Degree member** Bro. Krunakaran Jainshaw who further introduced himself. Also, Bro. Terry Krotesh is transferring in and Bro. Brian Brilling is being reinstated. Bro. Walsh moved that his report be accepted as presented. Seconded by Bro. Tony Antoniuk. Carried.

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

Chaplain, Fr. Jozef invited Knights to participate in **Lenten observances**; daily mass, Stations of the Cross, and Reconciliation on March 21.

Treasurer, Bro. Ray Misanchuk reported the following account balances as of February 28, 2007. (The full report is on file.)

- Available Cash Balance \$7,911.24
- Coastal Credit Union Bond \$19,000.00
- Gaming Account \$12,281.23

Bro. Misanchuk moved and Bro. Norbert Soares seconded that the report be accepted as presented. Carried.

Two bills were presented; \$55.00 to Bro. Emmett Urquhart for postage stamps, and \$205.05 to Bro. Tony Dunn for frames for the dignitary pictures.

Financial Secretary, Bro. David Nenzel reported the following income and expenditures for the month of February 2007. (The full report is on file.)

- Total Income \$4,917.78
- Total Expenses \$2,188.19

Bro. Nenzel moved and Bro. George Despina seconded that the report be accepted as presented. Carried.

Unfinished Business:

- Bro. David Nenzel moved and Bro. Fred Demmon seconded that some **increased budgeted amounts** be approved. Carried. (The purpose of the increases is to decrease the balance of the Gaming Account. The proposal will introduce a new entry of \$1000 under K of C funds for the annual convention, and decrease the Council Fraternal Fund and the Distress Fund each by \$500; under BC Gaming, it will increase the amount to be paid to L'Arche from \$1000 to \$2000, and the amounts to the Salvation Army and SOS each from \$2500 to \$4000.)
- Youth Director, Bro. Joe Gigliotti reported that the dates for the **Free-Throw Competition** have been set, but he does not yet know the times. The wrap-up will take place on April 21.

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

- **Church Director**, Bro. Ray Desjardins reported that the Knights will be responsible for the Stations of the Cross on March 23, and invited all Knights to attend.
- **Council Director/PR Director/Parish Council Liaison**, Bro. Dennis Belliveau reported that
 - Parish Council continues to investigate the possibility of placing a **defibrillator** in the parish hall. Training users is a concern.
 - The proposal of presenting a **welcoming package** is being investigated by the parishes welcoming committee.
 - The **Parish Annual General Meeting** will be held on April 15. Members are being sought for the nominating committee, and new council members.
 - Because of several **attempted break-ins**, those who use parish facilities are asked to make sure that all doors are locked when they leave; and if the **kitchen** is used, make sure that all things are returned to their proper places.
 - A **photo album** of the activities of 2006 is complete.
 - The **necrology plaque** is full and a new one has been ordered.
 - Three people have expressed interest in putting forth proposals for **stained glass windows** for the church.
 - He should be contacted for events when **photographs** would be appropriate.
- **Charity Appeal Chairman**, Bro. Norbert Soares reported that the list of winners of the Charity Appeal has been distributed. There were no local winners
- **Golf Chairman**, Bro. Mike Murphy reported that posters announcing the golf tournament will be sent to all Island councils. May 27, 1:00 pm; Memorial; golf and lunch, \$40; lunch only, \$15.

New Business:

- The Grand Knight stated that the **audit** went very well, and thanked the Financial Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Auditors.
- Bro. John Smart expressed dissatisfaction with the operation of the **Charity Appeal**: sales are slow, it is stale and needs revamping (three tickets for \$5 is a frequent request), and it is not worth the effort for the amount of money that we receive. Bro. Smart moved and Bro. Norbert Soares seconded that our council discontinue participating in the annual Charity Appeal. After some discussion, Bro. Smart moved and Bro. David Nenzel seconded that the motion be tabled, pending information from the District Deputy after he discusses it at the Annual Convention. The motion to table was carried.
- A letter to Fr. Jozef from a parishioner, Cara Schaffrick, **requesting financial assistance** to attend John Paul II Bible College in Radway, Alberta was read. It will be discussed at the next Executive Meeting.
- Congratulations were expressed to Bro. Tony Platen on the occasion of his **fiftieth wedding anniversary**.

District Depute, Bro. Rick Graebner brought greetings; stated that State uses income from the Charity Appeal to sponsor scholarships and other works; suggested a Corpus Fund donation; commended our council on its recruitment; mentioned that pins are available for new members; March is a blitz month for membership; suggested a function to celebrate the 125 anniversary of the founding of the Knights, suggested an activity to recognize March 26, the Day of the Unborn; stated that the International Eucharistic Congress will be held in Quebec in 2008; expressed his sorrow over the death of Bro. Don Korman; announced a Fourth Degree installation on March 17 in Comox and a Second and Third Degree initiation in Powel River on March 24; is pleased that the Free-Throw Competition is progressing; and he read a Lenten Reflection.

Bro. Ed Peacock moved and Bro. Mike Hanlon seconded that **tickets for the Irish Night** be provided to Fr. Jozef, Sr. Bettie, Terry Evans, the District Deputy and his wife, and the Insurance Field Agent. Carried.

Bro. Mike Murphy stated that he would not be **bartending** on March 17.

Appreciation Night will be a potluck supper and members are asked to bring ethnic food.

Under the **Good of the Order**, prayers were requested for Bro. Eugene Sauvé and Bro. Phil Gendron and his wife. A closing prayer was said.

Bro. Gordon Johnston won the **50/50 draw**; the District Deputy presented a pin to new member, Bro. Bro. Krunakaran Jainshaw; the *Closing Ode* was sung and the meeting was **adjourned**.

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