

Happy birthday to our Bro. Knights celebrating their birthdays in January:

Yvan Gosselin	Brian King	Martin Godley
Pat O'Keefe	Rick Saby	George Ives
Ernani Serrano	David Johner	James Donnelly
Luu Vu	Joe Dumas	Stan Michniak
	Hugh Bathgate	

KofC signs erected

We are pleased to report that our two KofC signs have now been completed and erected as part of the city's Service Club boards. The locations are: 1) the Petroglyph Park parking lot, on Highway 19A, south of the city, and, 2) in front of the Howard Johnson (Tally Ho) Motel, at the Pearson Bridge. We thank our G.K. **Vince Cooke** for taking the initiative for this project and making all the arrangements; City of Nanaimo staff for its great cooperation and help; our Brother Knights from Council 9990 for sharing the costs; and last but not least, the maker of the signs, **Simon Edwards**. All Knights of the city of Nanaimo are justifiably proud to be finally recognized among the many fine service clubs of our community.

Christmas Party

Our council and the C.W.L. held their joint **Christmas Party** on Saturday Dec.14th at Peter's Church hall. Approximately 100 people attended, and by all the happy faces, everybody had a wonderful time. The pot-luck dinner was fabulous! Thanks to Bro. **Doret Landry** for 'tickling the ivory', as only he can, and leading us in a spirited and most enjoyable Christmas sing-along. In addition, another special 'thank you' goes out to Bro. **Don Cherry** for organizing and arranging the casino events; they were a great hit with every one that participated -- especially **Agnes Geiger** who got the prize for the most money won (sorry, Agnes, we can only afford Monopoly money!!!). Finally, thanks to Bro. **Claude Francoeur**, for running the bar, the ladies of the C.W.L for all the good food, and all brother Knights who helped with set up and clean up.

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monthly bulletin, thus keeping you in touch with Council happenings in a timely and economical fashion — especially if you can't make a meeting! Thank you for your co-operation. H-JF, Editor.

On the Lighter Side

A woman goes to the post office to buy stamps for her Christmas cards. She says to the clerk, "May I have 50 Christmas stamps?" The clerk says, "What denomination?" The woman says, "O my God. Has it come to this? Give me 12 Catholics, 6 Protestants, and 32 Baptists."



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Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Sept.-July) at Columbian Centre at 7:30 pm

Regular meetings:

1st Wednesday of the month in St.Peter's Parish hall at 7:30 pm

Pancake breakfast:

Every 3rd Sunday after both Masses

Officers for 2002/2003

Grand Knight	Vince Cooke	756-9473
Past Grand Knight	Jim Mudge	754-4110
Chaplain	Fr. Darek Zarebski	753-3570
Deputy Grand Knight	Brian King	751-7851
Chancellor	Bill Smith	756-6141
Recorder	Jake Gillespie	754-5091
Financial Secretary	Parker Okano	753-5115
Treasurer	Ted Kelly	758-5095
Lecturer	Claude Francoeur	754-2425
Advocate	Ed Campbell	754-7661
Warden	Eugene Greene	754-2487
Inside Guard	Gerald LeChasseur	714-1995
Outside Guard	Rick Elliott	714-7132
Trustee 3rd Year	Jim Mudge	754-4110
Trustee 2nd Year	Rene Marchand	753-1657
Trustee 1st Year	Patrick Hanney	758-4795

A happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

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Grand Knight's report.

Dear Brothers,

At this time of the year it is customary to reflect upon the accomplishments of the past year. Sadly, it will take a great deal of soul-searching to examine what has happened on a national and global scale and force one's head to nod with gratification. I believe this is the time when it is important to take stock of the things that should be cherished; the time when it is important to give thanks for what we hold closest to our hearts. Most importantly, this will be the year to hang on to hope.

As members of Council #3842 we give thanks to all the Knights who have given freely of their time and talents in support of our Church, our Community, our Youth, and especially, in support of those in our community who needed a helping hand. As a Council you have lived up to the principles of our Founder. You are to be congratulated!

As we start this new year, we have many projects to be completed; increasing the participation of members is just one of them. There are many more, too numerous to mention here. Please, make it a New Year resolution to say "Yes" to volunteering in whatever project "you" would like to participate; then let our Program Director, Bro. **Brian King** know. Only with your support can we hope to fulfil the promises we made when we became Knights of Columbus.

Wishing you and your loved ones a very happy New Year!

Sincerely, **Vince Cooke**, GK.

Charity Appeal report

I am pleased to report that as of Friday 3:00pm, Jan. 3, 2003, we have completed our Charity Appeal drive! We sold our total allotment of 1604 books. A very big 'thank you' to all the Brothers who helped with the drive — a job well done!

Charity Appeal Chairman, **Rene B. Marchand**

REMINDER

- 1.) We will be honoured to have Maeve O'Byrne, Executive Director, NRGH Foundation, as our guest speaker at the February meeting.
- 2.) At the end of January, the widow of our departed Bro. **James Keohane** will need assistance moving; please call Bro. **Claude Francoeur** (754-2425) for details if you are able and willing to help. Thank you.
- 3.) Please remember the Knights of Columbus (B.C.) Charity Foundation's continued efforts to raise awareness & funds. For any questions, contact Bro. **Paul Redchurch** at: redchurch@shaw.ca See our website at <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/information.htm> for further information and donation/support form.
- 4.) A reminder that membership dues for 2003 are now due. Payments may be made at the meeting or by mail to the F.S., **Parker Okano**.

Please note: Our Worthy D.D., **Ed Landry**, has send us a Christmas message and greetings; a link to the complete text can be found on our website's home page at: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842>



In Memoriam

On Dec.19, 2002, our Brother **Ken Gogo** passed away. Brother Ken joined our Order in Nov. 1952. He was a Charter Member of our Council and had been a member in good standing ever since. In Jan. 1955 he joined the 4th Degree and belonged to the Alexander Malaspina Assembly until his death. It is now with great sadness that we take leave from our Brother. We pray for him and offer our deepest sympathy to his wife Dodie and the entire Gogo family.

May he Rest in Peace.

Annual District Curling Bonspiel

Calling all curlers — and non-curlers alike!!! On Sunday Feb. 16, 2003, our council will once again hold its **Annual District Curling Bonspiel**. All curlers must be at the Nanaimo Curling rink **no later than 12:30 pm** for registration. The fee will only be \$6 per curler to cover rink costs. Everyone is welcome to participate, young & old, curler & non-curler — this is strictly a fun activity fit for the whole family! As in the past, following the curling all curlers and those cheering them on are invited back to St.Peter's Church hall for chili and buns, compliments of our Council. Please, come and join us; bring a friend or your family; you may even bring your own team! For further information, please call Bro. **Victor Uniat** at 753-5445.

Our Council in Action

The **St. Vincent de Paul Society of Nanaimo**, once again held its annual Christmas hamper project last month. Dozen of Knights, and in many cases their families, helped package the Hampers, labeled them, setting up deliveries, and then actually made deliveries throughout our community. A big **WE DID IT!** "Thank you" goes out to all our Brothers who came out to help and worked on this project in any way. A very special thanks, however, goes to Bro. **Parker Okano** for being the KofC liaison, for calling and getting our members out, and for organizing the deliveries with such efficiency. Thank you all; a job well done!

News nuggets.....

- The **Catholic Women's League** Sunday will be held on Jan. 26th at both masses at St.Peter's. The ladies will participate in all aspects of the liturgy, including the collections. (Daisy Mah, President)
- I would urge all members who have access to e-mail to submit their addresses to me at: kc3842@shaw.ca Having member e-mail addresses will greatly help your executive to communicate with you. Above all, we will be able to automatically send you this

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