

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

Ivan Crnkovic
Fred Statham
Philip Fratpietro

Mike Walker
Rev. Ed Matthews
Michael Sloan
James Wolfgang

David Haworth
Oscar Clemotte
Doret Landry

Some notes from the District Deputy's meeting.

On Sunday, July 8, 2007, the first District Deputy meeting of the new fraternal year was held at Trinity Centre. Your Council was represented by Bros. **Rene Marchand, Hans Fadum,** and D.G.K. **George Martin.** Thank you Brothers for your time and service. The following are some of the issues that were brought to our attention:

- membership goal for this year is 5 new and 3 insurance members
- our Worthy D.D. would like to see a 1st Degree Exemplification to be hosted by our team every second month.
- In addition, the Degree Team should have a practice every month it does not actually put on an exemplification
- our Field Agent, Bro. **Marcel Casavant** gave a presentation on his role, then explained and stressed that henceforth he wishes to be referred to as "Income Replacement Agent"
- in future, State will only have two Major Degree exemplifications per year
- if not at meetings, the chaplain is always recorded as "excused" and never as "absent"

On the Lighter Side

Men are just happier people!

What do you expect from such simple creatures? Your last name stays put. The garage is all yours. Wedding plans take care of themselves. Chocolate is just another snack. You can be President. You can never be pregnant. You can wear a white T-shirt to a water park. You can wear NO shirt to a water park. Car mechanics tell you the truth. You don't have to stop and think of which way to turn a nut on a bolt. Same work, more pay. Wrinkles add character. Graying hair adds attraction. Wedding dress~\$5000. Tux rental~\$100. People never stare at your chest when you're talking to them. The occasional well-rendered belch is practically expected. New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle your feet. One mood all the time. Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat. A five-day vacation requires only one suitcase. You get extra credit for the slightest act of thoughtfulness. Three pairs of shoes are more than enough. You almost never have strap problems in public. You are unable to see wrinkles in your clothes. Everything on your face stays its original color. The same hairstyle lasts for years, maybe decades. You only have to shave your face and neck. You can play with toys all your life. Your belly usually hides your big hips. One wallet and one pair of shoes one color for all seasons. You can 'do' your nails with a pocket knife. You have freedom of choice concerning growing a mustache. You can do Christmas shopping for 25 relatives on December 24 in 25 minutes. No wonder men are happier!!!



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Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Aug.-June) 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 2007/2008

Grand Knight	Brian King	751-7851
Past Grand Knight	Vince Cooke	756-9473
Chaplain	Fr. Waldemar Podlasz	753-3570
Deputy Grand Knight	George Martin	754-0826
Chancellor	Rawley Morales	754-4809
Recorder	Mike Walker	756-0727
Financial Secretary	Hans Fadum	754-1694
Treasurer	Rick Jones	756-3038
Lecturer	Claude Francoeur	754-2425
Advocate	Daniel DePape	740-2521
Warden	Leo Poirier	390-3272
Inside Guard	Fred Statham	754-2244
Outside Guard	Mike Loos	716-5893
Trustee 3 Years	Rene Marchand	753-1657
Trustee 2 Years	Joe Walker	758-7850
Trustee 1 Year	Bob Poulin	668-6695

Happy and safe holidays!

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From the desk of our Chaplain

Then some of the scribes and Pharisees said to him, "Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you." (*Matthew 12:38*)

In Jesus' words we see this type of tension as the crowds approach Jesus and listen to the wonderful promises he makes to them. However, they had been taken in by promises of false leaders in the past and really wanted some kind of certainty that Jesus was the *real thing*. "If only he would give us a sign so that we can trust him".

In our world today we, too, sometimes hunger for miraculous signs and wonders that would help us to believe. While dramatic miracles are always possible, they are *not common* nor essential to our growth in faith. Our God is a powerful God who has given us many blessings, and who now expects us to do our part by using the gifts that we have been given.

Summer and holiday times are perfect for sharing. We often travel, meet new people, and start new friendship. Let us not forget to share our God-given gifts and blessings with them. As well, let us not forget to pray for each other and find some time for God to thank him for this wonderful time of rest and relaxation.

With prayer,

Fr. Waldemar Podlasz S.D.S.

Our annual St.Peter's/KofC picnic will be held on Sunday Aug. 19, 2007 from 1:00-5:00 p.m. at the lower shelter at Bowen Park, Nanaimo. We invite all members and their families to come out and join in a great day of fun and camaraderie. Mark your calendar and come and join us!

REMINDER

- 1) A **Major Degree** has been announced for Nov. 24, 2007 to be held in Duncan. Please, urge all First Degree members to take their final step to full Knighthood. Contact our G.K. **Brian King** (751-7851) for full details and any questions.
- 2) State has issued the 2007/08 schedule of the travelling icon for the **Family Hour of Prayer**. The icon will be in our parish during the week of Nov. 22-28, 2007. Details will be announced later in the year.
- 3) **Father Michael McGivney Guild**. All members and their families are urged to join the Guild to advance the beatification process of our founder. It's free and its easy! See our website at <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842> (**Information page**) for full details and application form.
- 4) Remember in your prayers Bros. **Giuseppe Multari**, **Pat Leahy** & all our other departed Brothers. As well, pray for the sick, especially Bros. **Vince Cooke**, **Ian MacLellan**, and **Faye Ives**, wife of Bro. **George Ives**.
- 5) Please contact Br. **Hans Fadum** at kc3842@shaw.ca if you have email and wish to, but presently don't, receive this bulletin via email.
- 6) Please remember the 'Corpus Fund', the K. of C. (B.C.) Charity Foundation's continued efforts to raise awareness & funds. For any questions or information, contact Bro. **Neil Jangula** at: nbjangula@shaw.ca or see our website at <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842> (**Information**)



In Memoriam

On Sunday July 22, 2007, our Bro. **Patrick Leahy** passed away after a prolonged illness. Bro. Pat had been a member of our Order for 58 years and, for the most of those years, a proud and faithful member of our Council. He was known and loved by all as a witty, helpful and compassionate man. For the last many years, he spent most of his time helping those that needed our help the most. He supported the 7-to-10 Club, Doctors Without Borders, Operation Eyesight, and many other causes. It is with heavy hearts and great sadness that we now take leave from our Brother. We pray for him and offer our deepest sympathy to his sons, daughters and the entire **Leahy** family.

May he Rest in Peace.

On the new Fraternal Year.

As we start another year of service to our Church, community, youth and those less fortunate, it is important that we all look back for a moment at last year and ask ourselves, "What did each of us contribute to the advancement of our Order? Could I have volunteered more of my time and talents? Did I really pull my weight or did I just ignore the issues and let some one else take care of things?" .

Time and again we have to stress the importance of members to volunteer their time and talents. As a council, we are all aware that if the membership does not get involved, we all miss the opportunity to fulfill the very reasons why we became Knights --- to serve whenever we can. Let us never forget, in the words of **Fr. Waldemar's** exhortation on the previous page, that "Our God is a powerful God who has given us many blessings, and who now expects us to do our part by using the gifts that we have been given".

To all Brothers who have generously volunteered over the past year, thank you! It was because of your generous support that we were able to accomplish the many projects that we did, including the very successful Charity Appeal drive. For those who were not able to be involved, we encourage you to come forward this year and offer your services. We really do need you; your presence will make a difference! Thank you and God bless you and your families. Have a great summer! The Editor.

News bytes.....

- State has announced that it intends to hold the Regional Seminar for the Island at St.Peter's on September 30, 2007. Our Worthy District Deputy will contact State to let it know that Sunday the 30 will not be possible and will try to reschedule it for Saturday, Sept. 29.
- A First Degree Exemplification is tentatively planned for the early part of September. We hope to have a specific date for the next bulletin.