

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

Rick Methot  
Phillip Cormier  
Terry DeAbreu

Sean Bishop  
Ross Tremblay  
Tommy Hoj

Pat Leahy  
Leo Girard  
Mladen Zorkin

### 1st Degree Exemplification

On Friday, March 28, 2003, at 7:30 pm at Trinity Centre, Nanaimo, we conducted another **First Degree exemplification** for our district. We are very pleased to have had seven candidates taking their 1st Degree for Trinity Council #9990 and are now happy to welcome the following Brothers to our ranks: Bros. **Mike Moore, Patrick O' Neal, Jim Chase, Bill Ducey**, as well as a father and his two sons, **Richard, Josh and Jon Pistone**. We extend a very special "thank you" to Bros. **Vince Cooke**, and **Al Weber & Jim Major** of Port Alberni for stepping in and being part of our degree team.

### Parish/KofC Annual Golf Tournament 2003

The confirmed date for St. Peter's/KofC 5th Annual Golf Tournament is Saturday, June 28, 2003, at Arrowsmith Golf and Country Club. Green fees are \$19.00, same as last year; cart rentals, \$20.00; banquet only, \$24.00. Please mark your calendar! Watch for more information in later bulletins.

### On the Lighter Side ....

Bill Gates is reported to have compared the computer industry with the automobile industry saying, "If General Motors had kept up with technology like the computer industry has, we would all be driving \$25 cars that got 1,000 miles to the gallon." In response to Bill's comments, General Motors issued a press release stating, "If GM had developed technology like Microsoft, we would all be driving cars with the following characteristics:

1. For no reason whatsoever, your car would crash twice a day.
2. Every time they repainted the lines in the road, you would have to buy a new car.
3. Occasionally your car would die on the road for no reason. You would have to pull over, close all the windows, switch off the car, restart it, and reopen the windows before you could continue. For some reason you would simply accept this.
4. Occasionally executing a maneuver, e.g. a left turn, would cause your car to shut down and refuse to restart, in which case you would have to reinstall the engine.
5. McIntosh would make a car that was powered by the sun, was reliable, five times as fast and twice as easy to drive - but would only run on 5% of the roads.
6. The oil, temperature and battery warning lights would all be replaced by a single "This car has performed an illegal operation" warning light.
7. The airbag system would ask, "Are you sure?" before deploying.
8. Sometimes, for no good reason whatsoever, your car would lock you out and refuse to let you in until you simultaneously lifted the door handle, turned the key and grabbed hold of the radio antenna.
9. Every time a new car was introduced buyers would have to learn to drive all over again, because the controls wouldn't operate in the same way as in the old car.
10. You'd have to press the "Start" button to turn the engine off."



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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	Gerard 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

### Fourth Degree Exemplification in Langford, April 5, 2003

Visit our website at: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842>

This bulletin is also available on our website at:

<http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/bulletin>

Our Email address: [kc3842@shaw.ca](mailto:kc3842@shaw.ca)

## Grand Knight's report

Dear Brothers,

As a Council, we have a lot to celebrate. During the past year we played our role in helping to support our Church, our Community and our Youth in St. Peter's Parish in so many different ways. We saw record amounts of charitable giving and volunteer hours donated to charity.

Throughout all of our lives, we have each celebrated numerous events and accomplishments. For members of the Knights of Columbus, now is the time for us to continue to "Celebrate-Faith, Family & Fraternity". The themes found in this year's membership campaign are a direct link for today's Knights back to those days in 1882, when Fr. McGivney founded our Order and called together the men of his day to unite in the celebration of their Catholic Faith in the face of religious bigotry.

Today, it is the duty and responsibility of every Knight of this Council to share this celebration with prospective members and their families, because as Knights what we have to offer is too good to be kept a secret any longer! Membership growth is paramount to the continuation of the good works of our Order, the many good works that we perform in our own local community and Parish.

Our main goal must remain to let prospects know that we are committed to our Church, and to the service of our fellow human beings. What better example of our Order's first principle, Charity, can be found and shown to prospective candidates than our current commitment to "Casey's Home"? We must extend the offer of membership in our Order to every eligible Catholic man and his family, and let them know that they too can assist in the mission of Columbus -- to make the world a better place -- one council at a time. In the past we have already proven that we can be successful in accomplishing this challenge, and with your assistance and continued support we will continue to do so in the future.

Thank you, and God Bless all of you.

Vince Cooke. Grand Knight. Council # 3842.

### REMINDER

1.) A Fourth Degree Exemplification will be held in Langford on April 5. For a link to the complete registration details and instructions to the venue, see

our website at: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842>

2) As of Apr. 6, our worthy Grand Knight, Vince Cooke, will be out of town on vacation for 3 weeks. During that time, please direct all matters to our worthy Deputy Grand Knight, Brian King.

3) Please note that this month's Pancake breakfast has been moved ahead by one week to Sunday, April 13.

4) Please remember the Knights of Columbus (B.C.) Charity Foundation's continued efforts to raise awareness & funds. For any questions or info., contact Bro. **Paul Redchurch** at: [redchurch@shaw.ca](mailto:redchurch@shaw.ca) or see our website at <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/information.htm>

## Casey's Home—Update



Since our Grand Knight's special report in last month's bulletin, we are happy to report more progress on Casey's Home. The month started off well with the pouring of the floor slab on March 1. Then, on the 5th, up went the walls! Due to the hard work of Bro. **Claude Francoeur**, D.D. **Ed Landry** and **Ted Chappell**, the framing was done in just a day.

Now we were ready for the roof trusses. Our hearty 'thank you' to Hi-Tec Industries, Lantzville, for the generous donation of the trusses. We are proud to say that the patriarch of this family business is a Brother Knight of our council, **Doret Landry**, and his son, **Albert**, a member of a neighbouring council. The trusses arrived on March 7 ... along with the rain! Consequently the trusses could not be raised until the weather broke on the 17th. Again our 'thank you' goes out to Bros. **Claude Francoeur**, **Joe Walker**, and to **Ted Chappell**, **Richard Francoeur** and **David Norton** for helping raising the trusses. Now, as March draws to a close, we are waiting for the roofer to put on the roof.

For a complete picture history of this project see our website's "Gallery" page at: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/gallery1.htm>

## Major Degree Exemplification

On Saturday, March 15, 2003 a Major Degree exemplification was held in Langford. Our council was very pleased to be able accompany seven 1st Degree members down to Langford to take their 2nd and 3rd Degrees. We are now very happy to welcome the following Brothers to full knighthood: Bros. **Sean Bishop**, **Florencio (Larry) Lorenzo**, **Eduardo Espedido**, **Daniel DePape**, **Greg Scheer**, **Carlo (Tommy) Hoj**, and **Ferdinand Gonzales**. Now, with full initiation into our Order complete, we invite you to become even more actively involved in your council's activities. We especially urge you to consider letting your name be put forward for an executive position. Our hearty congratulations, Brothers.

## News nuggets.....

- The **CWL** wishes to thank all the Knights who helped with the recent rummage sale on Saturday March 8th. The sale was a great success!
- The total number of hours worked on Casey's Home Project to date, is 600 hrs; Claude has 350, Ted has 200, and 5 Knights who had been called in as needed, have 50 hrs. between them.