

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

Aurele LaRoche
Duc Pham
James Court

Rev. Jim Sheppard
Jack Kelly
Gerard LeChasseur
Ferdinand Gonzales

Ed Stumborg
Angelo Petrarolo
Louis Duhamel

Our Council Supports "See You In Nanaimo"

As reported in our last month's bulletin, in November our Council committed itself to support the "See You In Nanaimo" initiative sponsored by the RCMP in cooperation with community minded organizations. The objective of the

program is to provide reflective armbands to seniors and other at risk pedestrians who are walking in darkness or inclement weather wearing only dark clothing and thus putting themselves at great risk of being struck by a motor vehicle. Community sponsors are being asked to assist by purchasing armbands and then donating them to the RCMP for distribution. Considering this a most worthwhile cause, our Council decided to purchase 300 armbands in support of this initiative. During the past weeks Br.

Claude Francoeur arranged to have these armbands made and our name printed on them. Finally, on Jan. 5, 2007,



our Grand Knight **Brian King** and Bro. **Claude** were able to present the armbands to Cpl. **John Blaase** in the Nanaimo RCMP detachment building (see picture). We are very pleased to once again be able to join other community sponsors and contribute to this critical, life-saving safety program.

On the Lighter Side

Two boys were walking home from Sunday school after hearing a strong preaching on the devil. One said to the other, "What do you think about all this Satan stuff?" The other boy replied, "Well, you know how Santa Claus turned out. It's probably just your Dad."



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Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Aug.-May) 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 2006/2007

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	Bill Smith, Sr.	756-6141
Recorder	David Haworth	741-8253
Financial Secretary	Parker Okano	753-5115
Treasurer	Rick Jones	756-3038
Lecturer	Claude Francoeur	754-2425
Advocate	Daniel DePape	740-2521
Warden	Rawley Morales	754-4809
Inside Guard	Brian Heffernan	753-0701
Outside Guard	Mike Loos	716-5893
Trustee 3 Years	Joe Walker	758-7850
Trustee 2 Years	Bob Poulin	668-6695
Trustee 1 Year	Leo Poirier	390-3272

Isn't it strange how difficult it is to learn a fact about God and share it with others, but how easy it is to learn & repeat gossip?

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Our Lady of Lourdes and the World Day of the Sick

The first of the eighteen apparitions of the **Blessed Virgin Mary** to the humble **Bernadette Soubirous** took place at Lourdes on February 11, 1858. On March 25th, when Bernadette asked the *beautiful Lady* Her name, she replied: "***I am the Immaculate Conception.***" The Church for long centuries had believed in her Immaculate Conception, her exemption from every trace of the original sin which through Adam, our first and common father, separated man from his God. It was never proclaimed a dogma, however, until 1854. Our Lady by her apparitions at Lourdes in 1858 seems to convey her appreciation for the formal proclamation of her great privilege, by **Pius IX**, in 1854. Through the Lourdes apparitions, the devotion of persons in all parts of the world to the Immaculate Mother of God has been wonderfully spread, and countless, magnificent miracles of healing have been wrought everywhere through her intercession.

Hence, it is fitting that in 1992 **Pope John Paul II**, instituted the **World Day of the Sick** to be celebrated each year on **11 February**. Its objectives are: to help sensitize Catholics about the quality of care being provided for the sick; to encourage Christian communities to be involved in pastoral health care; to recall the need to provide spiritual and moral formation for those working with the sick; to encourage the involvement of volunteers; to promote reflection on the meaning of suffering; and to invite all those involved in medical care to appreciate the importance of their healing mission.

For us, on a practical level, therefore, it is fitting that we take a moment, especially on Feb. 11, to pray to our Lady of Lourdes and ask her to intercede for us, for all our sick family members, friends, and relatives.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.

Charity Appeal winners 2007!

Congratulations to all this year's winners! Both the **1st** and **5th** place winning tickets were sold by **OUR COUNCIL!!!**

1st	Silverado 4x4 Hybrid Truck	Russ Holmberg	Cassidy
2nd	Ford 500 Sedan	Todd Fifield	Revelstoke
3rd	Dodge Caravan Minivan	Michael Quirk	North Vancouver
4th	Chevrolet HHR	Mildred Nedelec	Trail
5th	Dodge Caliber	Lillian Ryan	Port Hardy

REMINDER

1) Remember in your prayers all our departed brothers, especially **Joseph Bailey**. As well, pray for all our sick Brothers, especially P.G.K. **Vince**

Cooke, and **Faye Ives**, wife of Bro. **George Ives**.

2) 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.

3) 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 Jan. 16, 2007 our Bro. **Joseph Bailey** went to his eternal rest. Bro. Joe had been a member of our Council for many years and had just very recently moved to Quebec to be closer to his family. 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 wife, **Anne**, and the entire Bailey family.

May he Rest in Peace.

Charity Appeal Drive

The Charity Appeal Drive for 2006/07 has now been completed & the lucky winners chosen. We were able to sell **802** out of a total allotment of 900 books this year! What an incredible effort by our council! Even though we sold a few more books last year, this year's sales were still very impressive and have been a terrific success—especially in view of who sold the 1st and 5th place winning tickets! We did! They were sold by our D.G.K. **George Martin** and Bro. **Pat O'Keefe** respectively.

It was a long, hard sell! Tickets sold very slowly; partly due to the economic times and possibly due to some 'charity-giving fatigue'. However, we were very fortunate to have had the use of, and a great location within, the busiest mall in town. For the last three months about twenty members of our Council spent countless hours selling tickets in our two locations, from early in the morning until late at night, seven days a week! Our three top sellers this year were Bros. **Curly Greene** and **Angelo Petroia** with 76 books each, and **Claude Francoeur**, with 68 books. What a fantastic accomplishment, especially considering that we were not able to sell for about 4 weeks in one of our malls. Our most hearty 'thank you' to all the Brothers who stepped forward, volunteered and gave so generously of their time. Above all else, we especially acknowledge and thank Bro. **Dan DePape** for so efficiently organizing and managing the whole project; for getting us out to sell when discouragement set in; and, for putting in more hours, by far, than any one else. Thank you!

Finally, we gratefully acknowledge and thank the management of **Port Place** and **Country Club** malls for providing us with space in their malls. Further more, we also extend our very sincere appreciation to **Tom Harris Chevrolet** and **Nanaimo Chrysler** for making their vehicles available to us. Without their generous support we could never have accomplished what we did! Thank you one and all!

News bytes.....

There will be a 4th Degree Exemplification on Saturday, March 17, 2007 in Comox. We urge all our members who are not yet 4th Degree members to consider becoming one. If interested, please, talk to any 4th Degree member, or contact our **F.N. Al Schickerwosky** (753-7813) for full details and banquet tickets.