

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

John Little
Brian Ferris

Pat Hanney
Parker Okano

Rene Marchand
Eddy Brouard

First Degree Exemplification

On Wednesday, October 22, 2003, at 7:30 pm at St.Peter's Parish hall, Nanaimo, we conducted another First Degree exemplification for our district. We are very pleased to have had three candidates taking their 1st Degree and are now happy to welcome the following Brothers to our ranks: Bros. **Rene Francoeur** for Duncan, and **Brian Barnes & Angelo Petraoia** for our own council. Welcome Brothers! We were honoured to have our worthy D.D. Bro. **Robert Powell**, and G.K. Bro. **Frank Enns** from Council #4253 in Duncan present. A sincere 'thank you' to the three ladies from the C.W.L. who provided a beautiful array of sandwiches and baked goods for us after the ceremony.

Half a Century of Service to Church and Community

On May 16, 2004 we will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary as a council. The Anniversary Committee (Bros. **Vince Cooke, Brian King, Curley Greene, and Hans Fadum**) are hard at work to make sure that our celebrations will be most memorable. To update you of progress made since last month's bulletin, we are happy to report that our Bishop, Most Rev. Raymond Roussin, has confirmed his presence at these celebrations. In addition, our State Deputy, even though not being able to attend himself, will send a delegate from the State executive. Stay tuned for further news! If you have any ideas, or wish to help in anyway, please contact our G.K.

Charity Appeal report

Our Charity Appeal ticket sale kicked off on Wed. Oct. 8. This year we have a total of 1600 books to sell. Of these, 800 books are currently out, and to date, we have sold approximately 350. **We still need at least four (4) more volunteers!** Please, call Bros. **Curley Greene** (390-2562) or **Jim Mudge** (754-4110) if you can help. Thank you, Brothers.

On the Lighter Side

A Sunday school teacher

1. ... asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" Annie immediately replied: "Because people are sleeping."
2. ... was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to "honor Thy father and Thy mother," she asked, "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?" Without missing a beat little Billy answered: "Thou shalt not kill."
3. ... asked, "Now, Johnny, tell me, do you say prayers before eating?" "No sir," he replied, "we don't have to. My Mom is a good cook."



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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 2003/2004

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	Dave Haworth	741-8253
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Treasurer	Jake Gillespie	754-5091
Lecturer	Jack Kelly	753-2658
Advocate	Eduardo Espedido	754-2464
Warden	Eugene Greene	390-2562
Inside Guard	Daniel DePape	740-2521
Outside Guard	Mike Loos	716-5893
Trustee 3rd Year	Leo Poirier	390-3272
Trustee 2nd Year	Jim Mudge	754-4110
Trustee 1st Year	Rene Marchand	753-1657

Lest We Forget ! Remember in your prayers all those who fought and died in wars.

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Grand Knight's Report

Dear Brothers,

Over the past month, we have heard many references to the word "Service": in the Gospel readings on Mission Sunday a few weeks ago; at the 25th anniversary of our Holy Father; and at the recent beatification of Blessed Mother Teresa, the "servant of the poor". As we look back at the busy month of October, we too have good reasons to say 'thank you' and salute the Brothers of our own Council who have contributed many hours of "service" to the various projects we were involved in during the month.

As your Grand Knight, it is wonderful to witness the dedication of this large number of Brothers, who willingly gave of their time and talents, and showed by example, that as a group we do make a difference -- one Knight at a time.

Below I have listed some of the projects in which we were involved during the past month:

- Oct. 8th -- We launched our Annual Charity Appeal led by Bro. **Curley Greene** and his band of willing volunteers (approx 20).
- Oct. 19th -- We held our Annual Recruitment Drive at St. Peter's Church. We signed up one candidate, **Bill Smith, Jr.**, son of our Worthy Chancellor Bro. **Bill Smith**. Congratulations & welcome. (8 volunteers)
- Oct. 22nd -- Held a First Degree Exemplification in which three new members were welcomed into the Order, one for Duncan and two for our own council. We had a great attendance of 24 members.
- Oct. 26th -- We celebrated our "Blue Mass" at St. Peter's Church to show our appreciation for the services of the men and women of the police, firefighters, ambulance and search & rescue. Please see the following page of this bulletin for a detailed report of this outstanding celebration.

In conclusion, I believe that the above should convince all our members that when we work together, we can make a big difference! After all, we are only following what our beloved Founder asks us to do -- make a difference, one member at a time.

Thank you and God bless,

Vince Cooke, Grand Knight.

REMINDER

1.) A Major Degree Exemplification is scheduled for Campbell River, on November 8th, 2003. More candidates are needed to make this a memorable experience. In addition, it is also the 40th anniversary of Bishop Hill Council. We urge any 3rd Degree member to attend to show our support.

2.) Another Major Degree Exemplification is planned for Nanaimo on Jan. 17, 2004. Further details will be announced.

3.) Please remember the Knights of Columbus (B.C.) Charity Foundation's continued efforts to raise awareness & funds. For any questions or info., contact Bro. **Marcel Fillion** at: mhfillion@telus.net or see our website at <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/information.htm>

"Blue" Mass

On Sunday, Oct. 26, 2003, we celebrated a "Blue Mass" at St. Peter's in honour of all the men and women in public service who wear the uniform—usually blue! It was celebrated in appreciation and thanksgiving for their dedication, sacrifice and for constantly facing danger, often life-threatening, for our security and safety. Members of the various services, RCMP, ambulance, firefighters, and search & rescue were invited to our regular scheduled 10:30 a.m. Mass. In order to make everyone feel more comfortable, we also invited the clergy from other Christian denominations in the city.

What a fabulous and inspiring event it was! We were happy to welcome about two dozen men and women of the various services—all in full uniform—along with their spouses. We were even honoured by a visiting British "Bobby"! In addition, five clergy of other Christian communities were present and participated by reading the lessons and leading the Prayers of the Faithful. The 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus provided a colour honour guard, who, along with the visiting clergy, were seated in the sanctuary behind the altar. The church was beautifully decorated with banners, flowers and our national and KofC flags. As always, the choir led the large congregation in very inspiring and moving hymns. At the end of Mass, a rousing rendition of 'Oh Canada' captured and summed up the very reason for all of us coming together—a joyful praise and thanksgiving to our God for the great country we live in and for the men and women whose spirit of service and self-sacrifice make it such. And finally, the event was concluded with a pancake breakfast in the church hall at which about 200 people were served!

Many need to be recognized for putting this wonderful event together. However, there is no one more deserving of our recognition than our Grand Knight, **Vince Cooke**. It was he who was the inspiration and the driving force behind it all. Many thanks Bro. Vince for a job extremely well done. We also extend our thanks and appreciation to: **Fr. Oscar Paraiso** from Trinity parish for concelebrating with **Fr. Darek**; the clergy from the other Christian communities; the KofC honour guard; our D.D. **Bob Powell** and his wife **Ailene** for coming and supporting us; **Dodie Gogo** and her choir; **Jean Chin** and **Nina Passarello** for the wonderful banners and flowers; Bros. **Claude Francoeur**, and **Leo Poirier** & team for the great pancake breakfast; Bro. **David Johner** & the youth group for help with the clean-up; all those who worked quietly behind the scene; and finally, all the Brothers from our and Trinity councils for their presence and support. Thank you to one and all!

News bytes.....

- The **CWL** bazaar is on Saturday, November 29. The ladies will need at least **10 Knights** to help them setting up the day before, running the bazaar and then cleaning up. Please, consider volunteering! Thanks.
- We ask your prayers for the sick, especially **Faye Ives**, wife of Bro. **George Ives**, Bros. **Joe Bailey** and **Norman Carriere**.