

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

Francois X. Jacob	Jasper Sharanowski	Kristian D. Dagsaan
Leopold J. Poirier	George J. Bailey	Norman J. Carriere
Norbert M. LaBonte	Xavier A. Venentius	Florencio B. Lorenzo



Our very best wishes to all Brother Knights and their families for a very merry and blessed Christmas & a most prosperous and healthy New Year.



Our council and the C.W.L. are holding a joint **Christmas Party** on **Saturday Dec.14th** at Peter's for all members and their spouses. For those that wish to attend, Sunday mass will be celebrated at 5:00pm and will be followed by a pot luck supper at 6:00pm in the church hall. A wine and beer bar (by donation only) will be available and entertainment is planned. Please come, bring your spouse, mix and mingle to get to know each other, and have a great time!

On the Lighter Side

A fifth grade teacher in a Christian school asked her class to look at TV commercials and see if they could use them in some way to communicate ideas about God. Here are some of the results. (by courtesy of Pat & Agnes Geiger)

God is like:

BAYER ASPIRIN

He works miracles.

A FORD

He's got a better idea.

COKE

He's the real thing.

HALLMARK CARDS

He cares enough to send His very best.

TIDE

He gets the stains out that others leave behind.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

He brings good things to life.

ALKASELTZER

Try him, you'll like Him.

DELTA

He's ready when you are

SEARS

He has everything.

ALLSTATE

You're in good hands with Him.

VO5 HAIR SPRAY

He holds through all kinds of weather.

DIAL SOAP

Aren't you glad you have Him.
Don't you wish everybody did.

CANADA POST

Neither rain, nor snow, nor sleet nor ice will keep Him from His appointed destination.

SCOTCH TAPE

You can't see him, but you know He's there.



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Next Executive meeting:

Thursday Jan. 2, 2003 at Columbian Centre at 7:30 pm

Next Regular meeting:

Wed. Jan. 8, 2003 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	753-8980
Financial Secretary	Parker Okano	753-5115
Treasurer	Ted Kelly	758-5095
Lecturer	Claude Francoeur	754-2425
Advocate	Eugene Greene	754-2487
Warden	Joseph Dumas	754-4658
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

Merry Christmas

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Grand Knight's report.

Dear Brothers: I am very pleased with the overall progress of our Council during the month of November. Attendance seems to be holding at 26-29 per month, which is very good and encouraging. There are many good things happening, with quiet progress being made on several fronts. We now have a new Community Director, Bro. **Greg Scheer**, and another member, Bro. **Eduardo Espedido**, to help him. Thank you both for volunteering your services. Please ask these brothers, if you wish to volunteer. I know that they can use your help! They already have a project for Bowen seniors in the works; ask them about it.

The introduction of a guest speaker at our general meetings seems to be a positive move. Our first guest, Bro. **Peter Gibb**, gave us a very informative and humorous talk. Thank you very much Br. Peter. We now have guest speakers set up for the next 3 months.

Bro. **Brian King** reports that our service programs are slowly beginning to be established. As mentioned above, the Community Directorship is now well established and we hope to fill others before long.

One of our two KofC signs has now been installed at the south end of the City near Petroglyph Park. The other sign is promised for this week. We appreciate the work of the City's Parks and Rec. Dept.

In conclusion, I thank you for all the many services you perform daily, for the Church, the Community, and the poor.

On behalf of my wife **Gerrie** and myself, may I wish you and all your loved ones, a very holy and happy Christmas. **Vince Cooke**,

Charity Appeal report

Charity Appeal results as of Nov. 22, 2002: 1150 books out; 600 sold books returned; we have dropped in sales this November in comparison to last year. I would like to thank all the Brother Knights who are helping with the drive especially our new Brothers Knights.

Charity Appeal Chairman,
Rene B. Marchand

REMINDER

1.) **Important:** Due to the holidays, both the executive & regular meetings for Dec/Jan. will be held **one week later than normally**, ie., executive meeting, Jan. 2, 2003 and regular meeting, Jan. 8, 2003 at the usual times and places.

2.) 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.

3.) On Sunday Dec. 8, all 4th Degree members and their spouses are invited to the annual Christmas Dinner at 6:30 pm at the Bold Knight Restaurant. Call F.N., **Dave Sawatzky**, 740-0081, to confirm.

4.) Just a reminder that membership dues should be paid by Dec.31, 2002. Payment may be made at the Council meeting or by mail.

2nd Annual Bottle Drive

We are very happy to report that our **2nd Annual Bottle Drive** held at the CWL's bazaar on Nov. 30, 2002, was a great success! Bro. **Claude Francoeur** reports that a total of \$312 was raised, as well as another \$70 from the Hot Dog stand. About twenty Brother Knights contributed to the cause with goods and money. We thank you all for your contributions and your support, with a very special "thank you" to Bro. **Mladen Zorkin** for his very exceptional generous donation. We are looking forward to next year's Drive in the hope that many more brothers will participate. We also extend our thanks and appreciation to Bro. **Claude Francoeur** for single handedly organizing and managing the Drive. Thank you very much, Bro. Claude.

WE DID IT!

Our Council in Action

Our Council provides countless examples of strong commitments to our Church, our Community, and those less fortunate. We would like to bring some examples of this commitment to your attention. The following presentations were made during the past few months by our Council in each of the categories mentioned above :

1. \$1,000.00 — presented to **Fr. Darek** for the Church Roof Fund; and \$250.00 also presented to **Fr. Darek** to defray costs of paper and use of photocopy machine by the parish's two choirs
2. \$1,000.00 — presented to **Sr. Jill**, Director of Bethlehem Retreat Centre, in support of keeping the Centre part of our community.
3. \$1,000.00 — presented to **Maeve O'Byrne**, Nanaimo Regional District Hospital Foundation, towards purchase of new equipment.
4. \$500.00 — presented to the 7-10 Club to help feed the hungry.
5. \$1,100.00 — given to two needy families in the community who experienced sudden emergencies.

(See pictures of the above presentations on our website on the "News" page at: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/news.htm>)

News nuggets.....

- Thank you to Bro. **Jack Kelly** for his generous gift to the Council of 12000 points awarded to him over the years for signing up new members. Thank you and congratulations, Brother Jack.
- A big "Thank you" to all brother Knights who helped set up, clean up and worked on the CWL bazaar. Thank you all; a job well done!
- Congratulations to Bro. **Joseph MacLellan** and his wife, **Mary**, on the occasion of their 40th anniversary.
- Council has purchased three KofC ties to help members who can not afford to buy them. If you know of a member that might benefit from this purchase, please contact our G.K., **Vince Cooke**.