

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

Rev. Darek Zarebski
Joe MacLellan
Chris Bradley

Tim Somerville
Ed Campbell
Yves Landry

Randy Cormier
Giuseppe Lindia
Chris Wilson

Pancake Breakfast at Bayview School

As planned, a pancake breakfast was held at another one of our needy schools. On January 25, 2007 we were once again at **Bayview School** to serve a breakfast for the whole school. Bayview School is the first school in which we started our breakfast program, and is now one of three at which we provide a nutritious breakfast up to twice a year. Seven Bro. Knights worked at the event: **Claude Francoeur, Curly Greene, Leo Poirier, Dan DePape, Brian King, Rick Jones** and **Hans Fadum**. They arrived at 6:00 a.m. on a very balmy winter morning to set up and get everything ready. By 7:30 a.m. the first students, parents, teachers, and indeed, whole families arrived. The hot, delicious pancakes and sausages were thoroughly enjoyed by all as was evident by the many happy and smiling faces. As always, this was a very gratifying experience for all the Brothers involved, especially the realization that on this one day at least, they had made a real difference in the lives of these children. Well done Brothers and our sincere thanks

On the Lighter Side

A language instructor was explaining to her class that in French, nouns, unlike their English counterparts, are grammatically designated as masculine or feminine. "House," in French, is feminine--"la maison;" "Pencil," in French, is masculine--"le crayon."

One puzzled student asked, "What gender is computer?" The teacher did not know, and the word wasn't in her French dictionary. So for fun she split the class into two groups appropriately enough, by gender, and asked them to decide whether "computer" should be masculine or feminine. Both groups were required to give four reasons for their recommendation. The men's group decided that computers should definitely be of the feminine gender ("la computer"), because:

1. No one but their creator understands their internal logic;
2. The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else;
3. Even the smallest mistakes are stored in long-term memory for possible later retrieval; and
4. As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your pay check on accessories for it.

The women's group, however, concluded that computers should be masculine (le computer"), because:

1. In order to do anything with them, you have to turn them on;
2. They have a lot of data but still can't think for themselves;
3. They are supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time they ARE the problem; and
4. As soon as you commit to one, you realize that if you'd waited little longer, you could have gotten a better model.

The women won!!!



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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

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Lent - Fast From and Feast On!

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From the desk of our Chaplain *Lent - Fast From and Feast On*

Lent is an important season of the Church's Liturgical Year. During these forty days, we prepare our hearts for our most important celebration of the year—Easter. Our Lenten observances are designed to open us to a world of grace, to God's action in our lives, and God's gift of himself to us. Observing Lent with an open heart helps us to know ourselves in the mystery of Jesus' dying and rising. Lent helps us to know who we are, what God has done, and what we must do.

One of the pieties of Lent is fasting. This year when you think of fasting, consider what good you can do while you are fasting. For example, if you **fast from** taking others for granted, consider **feasting on** appreciating others more. Some ideas are provided below, or use your own similar ideas:

- *Fast from put-downs or teasing. Feast on affirming and encouraging one another.*
- *Fast from television and feast on talking together as a family.*
- *Fast from video games or the computer. Feast on playing board games with the family.*
- *Fast from a busy schedule. Feast on spending one night a week at home together.*
- *Fast from spending money on candy, video games, or coffee shops. Feast on giving the money saved to a special cause.*

Vivat Jesus!

Fr. Waldemar Podlasz, SDS

On Thursday, March 1, 2007, Bro. **Claude Francoeur** attended St. Peter's Parish Council meeting to present our plans for the installation of a curtain-wall in the Church hall. The proposal was very well received by the Council, and after some discussion, it gave its approval, subject to our Council approving this project at the March 7 meeting. All members have received a special letter in the mail notifying them of the vote to be taken on this issue.. We urge all members to come out and voice their opinions — or, as the saying goes, forever hold their peace!

REMINDER

- 1) There will be a **Fourth Degree Exemplification** in Comox on March 17, 2007, hosted by the Comox/Courtney Assembly. We urge all our members to consider joining the Fourth Degree. Please, contact our F.N. **Al Schickerowsky** (753-7813) for full details.
- 2) Remember in your prayers all our departed brothers, especially **Joseph Bailey**. As well, pray for all our sick Brothers, especially Bros. **Vince Cooke, Parker Okano** and **Faye Ives**, wife of Bro. **George Ives**.
- 3) 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.
- 4) 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>

Past Grand Knight Vince Cooke Honoured

At our February meeting, we were honoured to have our immediate Past Grand Knight, **Vince Cooke** with us. Bro. Vince is slowly recovering from a long illness and was able to join us at the meeting for the first time since he left office. In appreciation for the tremendous work and leadership Bro.



Vince provided us during his four year tenure, Grant Knight **Brian King** (right) presented him with the Past Grand Knight plaque. Thank you Bro. Vince for the great dedication, energy and enthusiasm that you brought to the office and to all the members of our Council.

News bytes.....

- Our congratulations and very best wishes to Bro. **Leo Poirier** and his wife, **Marie**, on the occasion of their 55th wedding anniversary.
- On Friday, March 23, our Council will be leading St. Peter's Parish in the **Stations of the Cross**. They will begin immediately after the 7:30 o'clock evening Mass. Please, make every effort to attend.
- We will be serving another pancake breakfast to a needy school in our community. On March 14, a breakfast is planned at **Park Avenue Elementary School** for students, parents and teachers. This will be the first time we will be at Park Avenue, and the fourth school in which we serve our breakfasts. If you are willing to help, please call Bro. **Claude Francoeur** (754-2425).
- All Brothers and their wives are cordially invited to **Council 9990's Country/Barn Dinner Dance**, to be held on Friday, Apr. 13, 2007 at Trinity Centre. There will be dinner, dancing and a silent auction. Tickets for the whole evening are only \$5.00 per person. Please contact Br. **Al Schickerowsky** (753-7813) for tickets and/or further information.