

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

Philip Fratpietro
Lucien Maes
Rick Mah

Alfred Drexler
Dan DePape

Ted Kelly
Claude Francoeur
George Yelle

State Seminar

The annual State Seminar was hosted by Holly Trinity Council #9990 on Sunday Sept. 27, 2009 at Trinity Centre, Nanaimo. We welcomed our State Deputy and four other State officers, as well as over 60 members from 14 Island councils. No doubt, our Worthy State Officers and District Deputy were very pleased with the great turn out. The seminar was very interesting, informative, and certainly, challenging. In addition to reporting on the various activities and programs at the state level, the Officers again emphasized the importance of membership recruitment and having good and engaging programs in place to attract new members. Bro. **Joe van der Buhs**, General Agent, gave a very thoughtful talk on 'selling Columbianism'. Two other major presentations were on the Knights' involvement with the "**Wheelchair Foundation**" project, and secondly, the role of **Our Lady of Guadalupe** in the Order. Throughout the afternoon, attendees could ask and discuss with the Officers specific questions or concerns. Half way through the program, all Financial Secretaries broke away into a special group where State Treasurer Bro. **Ed Shawchuk** lead them in a very informative and hands-on session on the role and responsibilities of the F.C. Congratulations and thanks to all our State Officers for an absolutely superb job! As well, our thanks goes out to Holy Trinity Council for hosting the event this year.

On the Lighter Side

To those of us who have children in our lives, whether they are our own, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, or students, here is something to make you chuckle. Whenever your children are out of control, take comfort from the thought that even God's omnipotence did not seem to extend to His own children:

After creating heaven and earth, God created Adam and Eve. And the first thing he said was 'DON'T!' 'Don't what?' Adam replied. 'Don't eat the forbidden fruit' God said. 'Forbidden fruit? We have forbidden fruit? Hey Eve, we have forbidden fruit!' 'No Way!' 'Yes way!'

'Do NOT eat the fruit!' said God. 'Why?' 'Because I am your Father and I said so!' God replied, wondering why He hadn't stopped creation after making the elephants. A few minutes later, God saw His children having an apple break and He was ticked! 'Didn't I tell you not to eat the fruit?' God asked. 'Uh huh,' Adam replied. 'Then why did you?' said the Father. 'I don't know,' said Eve. 'She started it!' Adam said.

'Did not!'

'Did too!'

'DID NOT!'

Having had it with the two of them, God's punishment was that Adam and Eve should have children of their own. Thus the pattern was set, and it has never changed!

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Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Aug.-June) in St.Peter's Church, Upper room, at 7:30 pm

Regular meetings:

1st Wednesday of the month in St.Peter's Parish hall, 7:30 pm

Pancake breakfast:

Every 3rd Sunday after both Masses

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Remember, silence is sometimes the best answer!



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From the desk of our Chaplain

Dear Brother Knights,
The month of October is always identified with Our Lady of the Rosary, Victories Queen. For us Knights, the rosary plays a very important role in our lives and in our service to others. It is described as a powerful weapon against the powers of evil. Since this feast was solemnized by Pope Pius V in thanksgiving for a battle victory, this title is well deserved. But we also know that it goes way beyond that. As we pray the rosary, we immerse ourselves in the life of our Lord and thus, it serves as a beautiful meditative prayer. For this month of October let us remember to reach for this prayer and ask Our Lady of the Rosary and Our Lady of the Victory to intercede for us with her Son, to make us always strong in our faith and resolution to serve God and our fellow brothers and sisters with that patient and selfless love we find in and learn from our Lord Jesus Christ.

Queen of the most holy Rosary – pray for us!

In Christ,
Fr. **Waldemar Podlasz** SDS

Charity Appeal Drive

The launch of the 2009/2010 Annual Charity Appeal Drive is now scheduled for Oct. 13, 2009. This will give us just about one more week to get ready, and for each of us, a chance to sign up to help out! We are very happy and thankful that Bro. Dan DePape has once again graciously accepted to be the chairman for this year's drive. We urge all members to step forward and help sell tickets. Please, be prepared to give your name to Bro. Dan at the October meeting, or call him at 250-740-2521. He can not do it without your help! Let's see if we can repeat last year's accomplishment by again selling the most tickets in the entire B.C./Yukon State. Thank you Brothers!

REMINDER

1. Our third quarterly fraternal report is now due. A reminder to all brother Knights to please submit your fraternal activities for the last three months to Bro. **David Lorette** (250-247-8981 ; djlorette@shaw.ca) within the week. Thank you.
2. The latest issue of the "**BC & Yukon Knight**" can now be found at this link: <http://www.vcn.bc.ca/kofc/documents/BCYJul09.pdf> It contains several very inspiring examples of other Councils' activities.
3. Remember in your prayers all those who are sick: **Monica** and Bro. **David Haworth**; **Rose** and Bro. **Nick Tysowski** (Council 9990); **Bonnie Loehr**, wife of Bro. **Don Loehr**, and **Maria Kotai**, wife of Bro. **Alex Kotai**. Also pray for those who have gone before us in the sleep of Christ, especially, Bro. **Jose Savedra** (Duncan Council 4253), **Chief Viola Wyse** (life-long and faithful member of St.Peter's Parish), and **Kathie Campbell**, wife of Bro. **Ed Campbell**.
4. Please contact Bro. **Hans Fadum** at kc3842@shaw.ca if you have an email address and wish to, but presently do not, receive this bulletin via email

Pancake Breakfasts at Bayview School

As we are once again at the beginning of a new school year, we are also starting again our season of pancake breakfasts at our three "adopted" needy schools. Our first pancake breakfast was held on September 21, 2009 at **Bayview** School. Seven of our brother Knights worked at this event: **Claude Francoeur, Brian King, Leo Poirier, Dan DePape, Angelo Petraroia, Hans Fadum** and **Rick Jones**. They arrived as early as 6:00 in the morning to set up and get everything ready. By 8:00 a.m. the first students arrived, and they continued to come until well after 8:45. The hot, delicious pancakes and sausages were thoroughly enjoyed by all as was evident by the many happy and smiling faces, and above all, by the many children that came back for second and even third helpings! We were very pleased to have been able to serve about 150 children, parents, and teachers. Even though the numbers were considerably down from previous years due to the rapid decline in enrolment at the school, the Brothers involved felt it was nevertheless a time very well spent. For them, the realization and knowledge that on this one day at least, they had made a real difference in the lives of these children makes it all worthwhile. Well done Brothers and our sincere thanks.

News bytes.....

- We will be holding a **1st Degree Exemplification** at 7:30 p.m. in St.Peter's Church hall immediately before our regular meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 7. Please come out and support our new Brothers!
- The ladies of the **C.W.L.** will hold their annual bazaar on Nov. 27-28, 2009. As in past years, they will again need our help setting up on Friday, Nov. 27, and then again for the actual bazaar. Please mark your calendar and be ready to give a helping hand.
- **A new calendar on our website** In the hope of more easily and more quickly being able to announce current and future activities and events of our council, I have changed the calendar listing on our website. Until now, I was only able to present a static, straight forward listing of events, which by its very nature did not give great details, and, because of the great amount of work involved in maintaining it, was usually out of date. Now, we are using the dynamic, interactive Google Calendar. It displays as a regular calendar and can be changed by the user to display not only by any month, but also by week, and 'Agenda'. The user can click on any entry on a specific date and more detailed information, including time, location, Google map link, possible contact person, phone number, etc. may display. I hope that members will use the calendar extensively to keep up to date with all our council activities. You will find the calendar on the '**Activities**' page of our website at: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842>
Editor, H-J. Fadum

