

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

Michael Griffin	Aurele LaRochele	Daniel Ober
Helmut Koch	Fr. James Sheppard	Ed Stumborg
Angelo Petrarola	Gerard LeChasseur	Alex Kotai

Pancake Breakfast at Bayview School

As planned, a pancake breakfast was held at another one of our needy schools. On January 24, 2014 we were at **Bayview School** to serve a breakfast for the whole school.



Bawyview School is one of four schools at which we provide a nutritious breakfast up to twice a year. Seven Bro. Knights worked at the event: **Dan DePape, Jim Cassino, Joe Walker, Claude Francoeur, Angelo Petrarola, Rick Jones and Hans Fadum.** They arrived at 6:00 a.m. on a mild, wintery morning to set up and get everything

ready. By 7:45 a.m. the first students, parents, teachers, and 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 well as the numerous repeat servings. We were very pleased to have been able to provide well over 200 servings. Well done Brothers and our sincere thanks.

Charity Appeal winners 2013/14!

Congratulations to all this year's winners!

1st	\$50,000	Jessica Skusek	West Kelowna
2nd	2014 Ford F150 4X4 Ext. Cab	Nirmal Grewal	Delta
3rd	2014 Chrysler 200 convertible	Katie Hollingsworth	West Kelowna
4th	2014 Chevrolet Malibu	Quinton Scott	Terrace

On the Lighter Side

Johnny took his girlfriend to her very first football game. They had great seats right behind their team's bench. After the game, he asked her how she liked it. "Oh, I really liked it," she replied, "but I just couldn't understand why they were killing each other over 25 cents." Dumbfounded, he asked, "What do you mean?" "Well, they flipped a coin, one team got it and then for the rest of the game, all they kept screaming was 'Get the quarter back! Get the quarter back!' I'm like...helloooooo? It's only 25 cents!"



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Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Aug.-May) in St.Peter's Church, Resource Room, at 7:30 pm

Regular meetings:

1st Wednesday of the month (Sept.-June) in St.Peter's Parish hall, at 7:30 pm

Pancake breakfast:

Every 3rd Sunday (Sept.-April) and on Mothers & Fathers Day (May-June) after both Masses in St.Peter's Parish hall

Officers for 2013/2014

Grand Knight	Rick Jones	250-756-3038
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Outside Guard	Chris Dafoe	250-585-8833
Trustee 3 Years	Rene Marchand	250-753-1657
Trustee 2 Years	Helmut Koch	250-591-0838
Trustee 1 Year	Louis Curti	250-758-5255

Being kind is more important than being right!



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From the desk of our Chaplain

This year on February 11th we are going to celebrate the XXII World Day of the Sick, established by Saint Pope John Paul II. This year's theme is "*Faith and Charity: We Ought to Lay Down Our Lives for One Another*" (1 Jn 3:16).

To help those in need, we don't have to use extraordinary resources. They might be useful, but what if we don't have access to them? Are we still willing to help?

Pope Francis uses the example of the Good Samaritan, who, with very simple resources, took care of a man who was robbed and beaten on a road. To help others, it doesn't matter how rich or poor I am. To make good use of the resources of my life, I have to be directed towards "the optics of love" whose perfection we see in Christ, *the Good Samaritan for all who suffer*.

Let's be motivated by the Pope's words to the generous activism of the Christian heart: "*When we draw near with tender love to those in need of care, we bring hope and God's smile to the contradictions of the world. When generous devotion to others becomes the hallmark of our actions, we give way to the heart of Christ and bask in its warmth, and thus contribute to the coming of God's Kingdom.*"

God bless.

Fr. Piotr Lapinski, SDS

Welcome!

We are very happy to welcome two new brothers to our council. Bro. **Gus Bergman** comes to us from Ladysmith, Council #4582, and Bro. **Ronaldo Coronado** from Surrey, Council #8629. Both brothers were originally initiated by, and were members of, our Council before they transferred out because their lives took them to other places. We are now very happy to welcome them back, and wish them many years of happy and fruitful service to our council. Welcome back brothers!

REMINDER

1. Since the 1st Wednesday of March this year will be Ash Wednesday, **our next regular meeting will be held on Friday, March 7, 2014**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Church hall. Please mark your calendars accordingly.
2. Remember in your prayers all those who are sick: Bros. **Gerard Le-Chasseur; Vince Cooke; Ted Kelly; Parker Okano; Warren Randle; James Wolfgang; Mark Gauthier; and Art Francoeur** (Port Alberni), as well as **Bernadette**, wife of Bro. **David Kenny; Penny**, wife of Bro. **Brian Ferris**; and **Maria**, wife of Bro. **Alex Kotai**. Also, keep in your prayers all those who have passed away, especially Bros. **Alfred Drexler**, and **Ted Martyniuk** (Trinity Council #9990), as well as **Carolyn Mary Anderson**, mother-in-law of Bro. **Oscar Clemotte**.
3. **Membership dues for 2014** are now due. Payments may be made at the meeting or by mail to F.S. Bro. **Hans Fadum** at **P.O. Box 426, Nanaimo, B.C. V9R 5L3** with cheques payable to **KofC Council 3842**.

Charity Appeal Drive

On Thursday, Jan. 9, 2014 we completed our Charity Appeal Drive for 2013/14! As always, it was a long, hard sell! However, because we were very fortunate to have had the use of **Country Club Mall** and two weeks in **Port Place**, we were able to sell our total allotment of **500 books!** What an incredible effort by, and terrific success for our council! For exactly 104 days, nineteen members of our Council spent hours selling tickets from early in the morning until late at night, seven days a week! In fact, a total of **1014 man-hours** were spent selling tickets and organizing the whole project. Our most hearty 'thank you' to the following Brothers who stepped forward and gave so generously of their time: **Eduardo Dagsaan, Dan DePape, Claude Francoeur, Hans Fadum, Helmut Koch, Gerard LeChasseur, Rene Marchand, Leo Poirier, Brian Heffernan, Joe Wyse, George Martin, Tony Bucar, Louis De Pagie, Angelo Petraroia, Brian King, James Wolfgang, Bob Nielsen, Bill Ducey, and David Kenny**. Our top sellers this year were Bros. **Leo Poirier** with 48 books; **Angelo Petraroia** with 45; and **George Martin** with 40 books. What a fantastic accomplishment! Our very special 'thank you' goes out to Bro. **Dan DePape**, who, assisted by Bro. **Tony Bucar**, so very efficiently organized and managed the whole project; got us out to sell when discouragement set in; and, put in more hours than any one else! Thank you, Bro. Dan! In addition, we gratefully acknowledge and thank the managements of **Country Club** and **Port Place** for providing us with space in their malls. Furthermore, we extend our very sincere appreciation to **Laird Wheaton** for making its vehicle available to us and to Bro. **Ross Barnard** for acting as our liaison at Laird Wheaton. Without their generous support we could never have accomplished what we did! Thank you one and all!

To put all these efforts into perspective, the following charities were supported by us through last year's (2012/13) Charity Appeal Drive:

Church:

\$ 300 — Catholic Information Resource Centre
\$ 792 — Pennies for Heaven (Seminarian fund)

Community:

\$ 300 — Nanaimo Blind Bowlers
\$ 500 — Nanaimo Seniors Visiting Society
\$ 500 — NRGH Foundation, Silent Guardian Fund (Lifeline)

Poor:

\$ 500 — St. Vincent de Paul Society (Nanaimo).

Total disbursements = \$2,892

News bytes.....

- All 4th Degree members are invited to the 38th Annual International Weekend in Victoria, on March 22, 2014. Contact F.N. **Al Schickerowsky** for details (250-753-7813 ; schickerowsky@shaw.ca)
- Please remember the previously sent email invitation to the social at Trinity on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2014. Contact **Al Schickerowsky** by Feb.5.