

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

Aurele LaRochele	Daniel Ober	Helmut Koch
Rev. T. J. Sheppard	Ed Stumborg	Jack Kelly
Angelo Petraroia	Gerard LeChasseur	Louis Duhamel
	Alex Kotai	

(Charity Appeal Drive—Continued from page 2)

plishment! Our very special 'thank you' goes out to Bro. **Dan DePape** for so efficiently organizing and managing the whole project; for getting us out to sell when discouragement set in; and, for putting in more hours than any one else! Thank you, Bro. Dan! In addition, we gratefully acknowledge and thank the management of **Country Club** for providing us with space in its mall. Furthermore, we extend our very sincere appreciation to **Laird Wheaton** for making its vehicles available to us. 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 in 2010 through last year's (2009/10) Charity Appeal Drive:

Church:

\$ 300 — Catholic Information Resource Centre
\$1,125 — Pennies for Heaven (Seminarian fund)

Community:

\$1,800 — Post-Secondary Education bursaries
\$ 400 — Harewood Neighbourhood Association
\$ 300 — Nanaimo Blind Bowlers
\$ 500 — Nanaimo Seniors Visiting Society
\$ 500 — NRGH Foundation, Silent Guardian Fund (Lifeline)

Poor:

\$1,500 — St. Vincent de Paul Society (Nanaimo).
\$1,000 — Covenant House

Total disbursements = \$7,425

On the Lighter Side

- Mick and Paddy were standing at the base of a flagpole, looking up. A pretty young blonde walks by and asked them what they were doing. Paddy replied, "We're supposed to be finding the height of this flagpole, but we don't have a ladder..." The blonde took out an adjustable wrench from her bag, loosened a few bolts and laid the flagpole down. She got a tape measure out of her pocket, took a few measurements, and announced that it was 18 feet 6 inches. Then, she walked off. Mick turned to Paddy and said, "Isn't that just like a blonde! We need the height, and she gives us the length!"
- Earl and Bubba are quietly sitting in a boat fishing chewing tobacco and drinking beer when suddenly Bubba says, "Think I'm gonna divorce the wife - she ain't spoke to me in over 2 months." Earl spits overboard, takes a long, slow sip of beer and says, "Better think it over....women like that are hard to find."



*Mid-Island Council #3842
Knights of Columbus
Nanaimo, B.C. Canada*

Vol.9, no. 8

Mid Knight News

Feb. 2011

Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Aug.-June) in St.Peter's Church, Upper room, at 7:00 pm

Regular meetings:

1st Wednesday of the month in St.Peter's Parish hall, 7:00 pm

Pancake breakfast:

Every 3rd Sunday after both Masses

Officers for 2010/2011

Grand Knight	Bill Ducey	250-755-1181
Past Grand Knight	George Martin	250-754-0826
Chaplain	Fr. Waldemar Podlasz, SDS	250-753-3570
Deputy Grand Knight	David Lorette	250-247-8981
Chancellor	Bill Smith, Sr.	250-756-6141
Recorder	Louis De Pagie	250-740-1174
Financial Secretary	Hans Fadum	250-754-1694
Treasurer	Rick Jones	250-756-3038
Lecturer	Claude Francoeur	250-754-2425
Advocate	Dan DePape	250-740-2521
Warden	Brian King	250-591-4223
Inside Guard	Mike Loos	250-716-5893
Outside Guard	Helmut Koch	250-591-0838
Trustee 3 Years	Bob Poulin	250-668-6695
Trustee 2 Years	Ted Kelly	250-758-5095
Trustee 1 Year	Rene Marchand	250-753-1657

And always remember...when life hands you lemons,
ask for Tequila and salt and call me over!



Visit our website at: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842>

This bulletin is also available on our website at:

<http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842> (Bulletin)

Our Email address: kc3842@shaw.ca

From the desk of our Chaplain

We enter into this month of February with Jesus giving us His beatitudes. They always challenge us to strive for perfection in our life and in the practice of faith. Every day is an opportunity to seek that spiritual and personal growth. During this month we have some special celebrations: **World Day for Consecrated Life**, when we pray for new and holy vocation to religious life; **World Day of the Sick** and the feast of **Our Lady of Lourdes**, on which we have our own Mass for the sick, and for which celebration, we as Knights, can always make our special mark by helping those who are sick or homebound to get to the church; and, the memorial of **St. Blase** when we ask God to protect us from all illness and we have a special blessing of the throat bestowed upon us. May we always remember what it means and what it takes to truly be blessed by God. May this challenge to live out the values of Christ's beatitudes be always inspiring us towards growing strong in faith and assisting others, especially those less fortunate, with their needs.

Vivat Jesus,

Fr. **Waldemar Podlasz**, SDS

Charity Appeal Drive

On Monday, Jan. 10, 2011 we completed our Charity Appeal Drive for 2009/10! Even though we only had the use of one mall this year, we again were able to sell our total allotment of **500 books!** What an incredible effort by, and terrific success for our council! As always, it was a long, hard sell! However, we were very fortunate to have had the use of, and a good location within, one of the busiest malls in town. For three months, nineteen members of our Council spent countless hours selling tickets from early in the morning until late at night, seven days a week! In fact, we estimate that a total of about 850 man-hours were spent selling tickets and organizing the whole project. Our most hearty 'thank you' to all the Brothers who stepped forward and gave so generously of their time. Our top sellers this year were Bros. **Angelo Petraroia** with 75 books; **Rene Marchand**, 60; and **Joe Dumas** with 50 books. What a fantastic accom-

(Continued on page 4)

REMINDER

1). On Saturday, February 12th at 11a.m. there will be a special Mass at St. Peter's for **World Day of the Sick** with the **Sacrament of the Sick**.

The ladies of the **CWL** will host lunch following Mass in the parish hall.

2). Remember in your prayers all those who are sick: **Bishop David Monroe** of Kamloops; Bros. **Ed Stumborg**, **David Haworth**, **Gerard LeChasseur**; **Ted Kelly**, **Vince Cooke**; **Nora** and Bro. **Jack Kelly**; **Marie**, wife of Bro. **Leo Poirier**; **Patsy**, wife of Bro. **Dan Cain**; **Bernadette**, wife of Bro. **David Kenny**; and **Maria**, wife of Bro. **Alex Kotai**. Also keep in your prayers those who have died, especially **Ernie Little**, father of **Bro. John Little**, and **Monica Haworth**, wife of Bro. **David Haworth**.

3). **Membership fees for 2011** 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**.

1st Degree Exemplification

On Thursday, January 20, 2011, at 7:30 pm at Trinity Centre, Nanaimo, we conducted another **First Degree exemplification** for our district. We



had one candidate taking his 1st Degree for Holy Trinity Council #9990, namely, Bro. **Robert Loftus**, son of P.G.K. **Jim Loftus**. (Bros. Jim and Robert in picture)

We wish to thank the members of the First Degree Team for putting on the Degree with such great dignity and inspiration, especially Bros. **Bob Powell** and **Bernie Musto** of Duncan for stepping in for two absent regular team members and serving as our G.K and D.G.K. We were also extremely happy with the good number of Knights who turned out in support of our new candidate. Thank you Brothers for your great support! We are now happy to welcome our new Brother

to our ranks and wish him many years of happy and fruitful service to and for his council. Welcome Brother Robert!

Pancake Breakfast at Bayview School

As planned, a pancake breakfast was held at another one of our needy schools. On January 27, 2011 we were once again at **Bayview School** to serve a breakfast for the whole school. Bayview School is one of four schools at which we provide a nutritious breakfast up to twice a year. Our breakfast was one of the many events the school had planned for its Literacy Awareness Day. Seven Bro. Knights worked at the event: **Claude Francoeur**, **Brian King**, **Angelo Petraroia**, **Leo Poirier**, **Dan DePape**, **Rick Jones** and **Hans Fadum**. They arrived at 6:00 a.m. to set up and get everything ready. By 7:45 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. We were very pleased to have been able to serve well over 200 helpings. As always, well done Brothers and our sincere thanks.

News bytes.....

- Bro. **Giuseppe (Joe) Lindia** (250-760-0383) is organizing a charity hockey game between the **Canucks Alumni** and **NRGH Emergency Team** on Feb. 5, 2011. Bulletin e-mail recipients, please [see attached poster for full details](#). We urge all brother Knights and their families to come out and support this very worthwhile and fun event.
- Trinity Council #9990 has extended a cordial invitation to all St. Peter's Knights and parishioners to a **Valentine Dinner & Dance** on Feb. 12, 2011, at 7:30 pm at Trinity Centre. The event is a fund raiser for the local St. Vincent de Paul Society. Tickets are \$25 per person and are available by contacting Bro. **Al Schickerowsky** at 250-753-7813 or email schickerowsky@shaw.ca until February 7, 2011.