

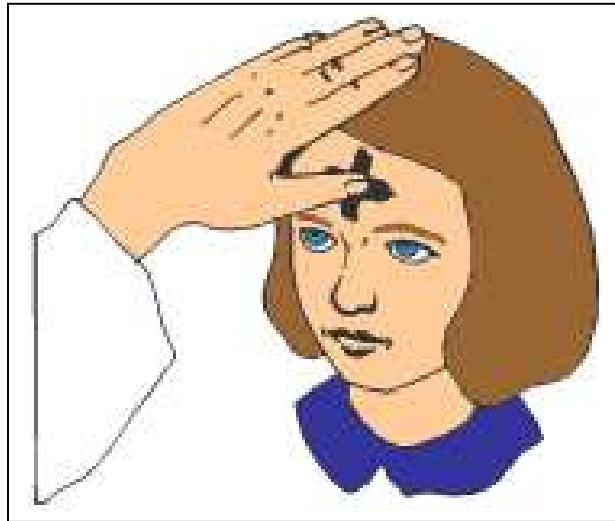


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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Sometimes in your life you are amazed at the circumstances that are presented to you. Being the Grand Knight and only by being the Grand Knight, I was approached by a grade school class as a local **hero**. I was a **hero** because I was a Knight of Columbus. We do a lot of volunteer service within our community and you often wonder if anyone notices. When someone, as young as ten, even notices that there is a group working within the community as a service to others, is amazing. The students had as heroes, people from other professions and community groups. For the Knights to be chosen as one of these hero groups, tells me that we are doing something right within our community and for the youth. There are many good things that some of our other Knights do within this community that should be recognized. Some of our local programs have been a pet peeve of some of our Knights. Most of the projects that are favorites of brother Knights are the projects, which deal with youth. Father has stated many times that the youth are our future. Let us promote our youth.

Now, that I have shared a most heart warming story, it is that time of the fraternal year in which we will be seeking brother Knights to step forward and take on a new elected position within our council. I know I would not have had as many experiences over the years within our community, within our parish or within the province with the Knights, if I had chosen not to accept a position as Grand Knight or further to that as District Deputy. I have had many experiences and met many new friends because I became involved.

I know that when asked to be more directly involved, we do not have the time. If we used that reason for everything that was asked, we would not be married, have children or maybe even time for Church. We are noticed and recognized within the community and parish especially by our youth, so step forward and have an experience of a lifetime. I know from my four years as the Grand Knight of council 2031, that I would not trade the

experience for a trip anywhere in the world. To be recognized as a **hero** is not an experience that you can buy with money.

Now is the time to try something new, if you have not done an executive job. I know you will be rewarded and will have an experience of a lifetime. Come forward and volunteer for one of the executive positions. We need new blood and new ideas.

Your humble servant
Wayne

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



We are about to begin one of the most important liturgical seasons in the Church Year; the season of **Lent**. It is at this time we are reminded of the sacrifices that Jesus endured for our sins. We as members of the Knights of Columbus have been carrying the Cross of Christ for a long time and yet this is the time of year where our volunteerism is not only our Community but now our Parish. I know that many are going to be helping out during this time of year but we all should ask the question *“What else could I do to help my fellow parishioners?”* I am sure there is something that we all could do like maybe help the elderly or even say the rosary once a day.

We have a number of events this coming month and they are as follows:

Feb 28 – Shrove Tuesday Supper

Mar 1 – **Ash Wednesday**

- Executive and Director's Meeting
- 3 – Stations of the Cross, led by the Knights
- 5 – Membership Blitz
- District Basketball Free Throw in Melville
- 8 – General Meeting
- 9 – Bingo at P.K. Palace 6pm
- 12 – Corporate Communion at 11am Mass
- 17 – St. Patrick's Day
- 19 – Sunday Brunch after 9 and 11am Masses

I apologize for any omissions that might have occurred this month, but at the time of my report, I was not made aware of these important and worthwhile projects.

Fraternally,
Jeff Krasowski

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**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Just a reminder to all members, if you have a prospect that is a practical male Catholic over the age of 18 years of age, please sign him up as soon as possible on a Form 100. Bring it to our executive meeting this month, so we can get him to become a member of our council.

Fraternally,  
Jeff Krasowski

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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe that we are already in the season of lent. I hope that everyone will be taking advantage of the services that are offered in your parishes in the coming weeks in preparation for Easter.

I have had the privilege to visit your councils in the last couple of months and I would like to commend all of you for all of the work you have all done in your councils. Remember, to ask your parish Priest if there is anything that they need extra help with. This is an exceptionally busy time for them, please don't forget about the simple things like asking them over for a visit or even dinner--I am sure that he would appreciate it. These are only suggestions to help them out.

Also, a reminder that on Sunday, March 26th council 5182 Fr. Delaere Council, will be hosting a Major Degree in Yorkton. I hope that each of your councils is hard at work in trying to find new members and their families to join our order. I know it is difficult but we must continue our effort to have them join.

On another note, I would like to thank all of the councils that participated in this year's basketball free throw competition. Congratulations to all of the winners. District playoffs will be held in Melville on March 5th at 2:00 p.m. at St. Henry's School.

In closing, on behalf of my family Sylvia, Micheal, Steven and myself we wish everyone the best during the Easter season. And may the newly risen Christ bring new hope and happiness to all of your families.

Yours in Christ
District Deputy
Larry Tymiak

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**K OF C BRUNCH**



Our monthly Knights of Columbus Brunches on February 19<sup>th</sup> again were a fair success with 172 people attending. Although our numbers were down somewhat, those in attendance had a delicious meal, at a reasonable price. Thanks to the brothers who were out to help set and clean tables, cook, wash dishes and clean up: Tom Pasloski, Ted Osicki, Henry Kweens, Wilf Maier, Denis Dierker, Gary Colbow, Francis Deters, Roger Blain, Joe Megyesi, Orest Machushek, Bill Yaremko, Henry Kereliuk, Eugene Kuemper, Alan Flavel, Joe Swejda, Walter Bugoy and Brittany Osicki. Thanks for all your help. Hopefully, we'll see you on March 19<sup>th</sup>, when we'll do it all over again.

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STATE CURLING BONSPIEL



Kindersley was the host site of the 2006 **State Curling Bonspiel** – Feb. 17 - 19. Four brave Brothers from our Council made the long journey – Merv & Jeff Krasowski, Wayne Exner & Paul

Ponak. Our 1st draw was at 3:30 on Friday in Kindersley. Still suffering from jet-lag (that's our story and we're sticking to it), we did not perform that well. Things did improve, however, as the evening game ended with a close 1-point loss. In another close game, we picked up our 1st win Saturday afternoon. The win meant curling a second game on the next draw. This time, a tough loss in the extra end shoot-out. So, we ended with a 1-3 record. It could easily have been 3-1 & curling for the prizes. Thanks to Bro. Merv for providing the transportation. All in all, a great weekend – good food & good...well, you know.

The State is looking for a host site for 2007 – maybe Yorkton?

Submitted by
Paul Ponak

BINGO



Our next scheduled bingo program at P.K. Bingo Palace is **Thursday evening on March 9th (6:00-10:00pm)**. I hope you will make yourselves available to help when

called, or better still, offer to help

Fraternally,
Wilf Maier

The doctor that had been seeing an 80 year-old woman for most of her life finally retired. At her next checkup, the new doctor told her to bring a list of all the medicines that had been prescribed for her. As the young doctor was looking through these, his eyes grew wide as he realized she had a prescription for birth control pills.

“Mrs. Smith, do you realize these are BIRTH CONTROL pills?”

“Yes, they help me sleep at night”

“Mrs. Smith, I assure you there is absolutely NOTHING in these that could possibly help you sleep!”

She reached out and patted the young Doctor's knee. “Yes, dear, I know that. But every morning, I grind one up and mix it in the glass of orange juice that my 16 year old granddaughter drinks.....”

And believe me, it helps me sleep at night.”

You gotta LOVE Grandmas

NEVER argue with a woman--YOU loose

A couple went to the cabin. He wanted to go fishing in the boat, she wanted to stay home and read. When he came back, he went to take a nap. She took the boat out and started to read again. The game warden came along and wanted to see her fishing licence. She answered, "I am just reading and not fishing and have no licence."

He said, "You have all the equipment here; that means you are fishing. You will have to come with me and I will charge you."

"Then I will charge you too," she said.

"With what?" he asked.

She said, "Sexual assault."

"But I didn't do anything," he replied.

"You have all the equipment here, so you are guilty."



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 – Maxine Paydli | 17 – Angie Van Parys |
| 1 – Eleanor Loster | 18 – Davaid Sutter |
| 2 – Alex Puchala | 18 – Jeff Krasowski |
| 4 – Vern Novak | 21 – Walter Bugoy |
| 4 – Joan Andrusyk | 22 – Glen Chillog |
| 5 – Allen Konkin | 25 – Merv Wasylenchuk |
| 5 – Kathryn Novak | 25 – Janice Flaman |
| 6 – Gerard Fulawka | 28 – Bernice Machushek |
| 9 – Vera Wassill | 29 – Rose Brezinski |
| 12 – Richard Swejda | 30 – Lori den Brok |
| 13 – Clarence Dolney | 31 – Helen Flavel |
| 14 – Albert Bauche | |



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 30 – Murray and Katherine Bolton
31 – Harry and Joan Monette (55th)