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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



As the New Year comes ever so near, we as members of this Great Order have only six months left in this Columbian Year to achieve what we set out as our goals for our Council. By now we have

either filled out our Fraternal Survey or are about to do it. This survey is very important to the Council---we look at each survey and get a sense of what our members have done in the past year. Whether you visited or cared for the sick, visited the elderly, did community work with-in the city or where you live, what ever else you have volunteered your services is important. This is important to all of us because it doesn't mean that because you do not come to the business meetings, that you are not an active member. This survey tells me that you are very active in the community. I hope that you will fill out your survey as soon as possible, because Our Worthy Chancellor, brother knight Roger Blain, will have to have a report sent into Supreme by the end of January.

By now, most of you have received or will receive the commemorative lapel pin with a letter stating the reason to each member why we as a Council gave these pins to you. Again, on behalf of the State Deputy, State Board, as well as this Council, I would like to thank each one of you my BROTHER KNIGHTS for the CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNALISM and PATRIOTISM that you have shared in the past and are continuing to do today and in the future.

It is also time to start thinking about Next Year's Executive. I know that our Board of Trustees will be soon making their list. If you are asked to fill a vacancy, please really think about it. I realize that some may not accept this calling but if each of us thinks about it for a minute I am confident that we will get more new ideas and that we can continue keeping our council an active and vibrant group of men. It is you who make the difference for our Council to achieve the goals that it sets out each year.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all BROTHER KNIGHTS for the continued support and volunteerism that YOU

all have done throughout 2006, please continue the great work that we do.

Vivat Jesus,
Jeff Frasowski

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



Happy New Year! Thanks to all the Brother Knights and their families who helped with the many events we had in December. There are a number of people who contributed greatly to the council's activities, but I would like to make special mention of PGK Wayne Exner who prepared a wonderful supper for the Christmas social. Thanks Wayne!

The following is a list of the upcoming events for January:

- 3 – Executive Meeting
- 7 – Bingo at PK Palace 6:00 - 10:00pm
- 10 – General Meeting
- 14 – Brunch after both Masses
- 20-21 – White Ribbon Campaign
- 27 – Basketball Free Throw
 - Bingo at PK Palace 1:30 – 4:00pm

We will also be taking down the Keep Christ in Christmas signs, date and time to be announced.

Fraternally,
Keith Hayward, DGK
General Program Director

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S NOTE

A reminder that “Membership Dues” are due at the end of December. Additional notices cost your council extra postage and stationary, and the second notice is supposed to be sent before the end of January.

Please welcome the following new members who were recently initiated to our Council and add them to your roster:

- Ryan (Connie) Watling.....782-0865
- Pat Skaluba.....783-3774

Have a great New Year!

Fraternally,
Alan Flavel

10:00pm. The second is on **Saturday, January 27th 1:30 – 4:00pm.** Please make yourselves available to help with these fundraising projects.

Fraternally,
Wilf Maier

K OF C INSURANCE

There are many fine life insurance companies in the marketplace today. So why should you entrust your life insurance needs, and those of your family to the Knights of Columbus?

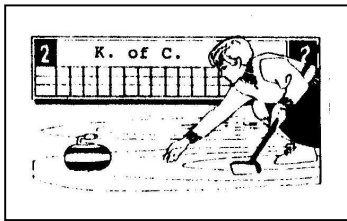
In it's credit rating of the Knights of Columbus, Standard & Poor's stated that it's 'AAA' rating was based upon the following strengths: extremely strong capital, very strong competitive position, extremely strong liquidity and historically strong profitability.

I would suggest that a principal reason that we were able to achieve those accolades, along with what S&P described as 'a distinct competitive advantage, a loyal customer base and a unique rapport with clients' is because we have been steadfastly committed to our motto, 'Protecting Families for Generations' by means of 'life insurance by brother Knights for brother Knights.'

That commitment is an essential core value of the Knights of Columbus, and our core values permeate all levels of our marketing program. Our 'Marketing Code of Ethics' is modeled after the Ten Commandments and includes statements such as 'Thou shall present honestly and accurately, all facts necessary to enable a member to make an informed decision.'

Our ethical principles for marketing are summed up by our Golden Rule: 'In all my professional relationships, I pledge myself to the following rule of conduct: I shall, in light of all conditions surrounding those I serve, render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself.'

That's what you can expect from me, your Knights of Columbus field agent. Please give me



Brother Knights, The Councils of Gerald, Esterhazy & Churchbridge will co-host the 2007 State Curling

Bonspiel. The event will be held Feb 23, 24 & 25, 2007 with registrations & early draws commencing at 1 pm on Feb 23rd. The spiel is open to all Knights & their families. Esterhazy will see most of the activity in their community – most of the curling, banquet, etc. Gerald Shymko (some of you may know Gerald) is the keynote speaker at the banquet. Something to consider – this year's bonspiel is in one of the closest locations we've seen in years and a great opportunity for our Council to have a strong presence there. As well, we (our Council) plays host for the 2008 State Curling Bonspiel. We want people to come to Yorkton next year!

Think about attending – it's not just about the competition, it's the fraternity & crossing paths with Br. Knights you haven't seen in a while.

For more information, please contact GK Jeff Krasowski, PGK Wayne Exner or myself at paul.ponak@springside.cu.sk.ca.

Happy New Year!
Paul Ponak

BINGO



We have two bingo sessions scheduled for this month at the PK Bingo Palace. The first is on **Sunday, January 7th 6:00 –**

a call. I welcome the opportunity to present to you and your wife, honestly and accurately, all facts necessary for you to make a sound life insurance decision. I will render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself.

Fraternally,
 Ronald Wassill
 K of C Field Agent
 767-2258



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 – Ben Weber | 10 – Dona O’Callaghan |
| 2 – Mary Caudle | 12 – Stephanie Dolney |
| 3 – Geraldine Megyesi | 14 – Janet Gress |
| 4 – Andre Charbonneau | 15 – Delores Pachewich |
| 5 – Clarence Parisloff | 16 – Leonard Schlechter |
| 5 – Fr. Marcel George | 16 – Murray Pankoski |
| 6 – Lennie Loster | 17 – Alan Flavel |
| 6 – Marianne Dierker | 18 – Roger Blain |
| 7 – Leroy Persick | 18 – Brenda Godin |
| 7 – Rita Ohochinsky | 24 – Lorraine Slogocki |
| 7 – Sylvia Bugoy | 26 – Renae Bylsma |
| 7 – Effie Hardy | 27 – Miles Shuya |
| 9 – Sandy Persick | |



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

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| 4 – Miles and Christine Shuya |
| 6 – Ken and Jennifer Merkl |
| 16 – Matt and Judie Bernat |

At the Gates of Heaven, a woman asked Saint Peter, "How do I get into Heaven?"

"You have to spell a word," said Saint Peter.

"Which word?" she asked.

"Love." he replied.

She spelled it correctly and was welcomed into Heaven. A year later, she was watching the Gates for Saint Peter when her husband arrived.

"How've you been?" she asked.

"Oh, I've been doing pretty well since you died," he answered. "I married the young nurse who took care of you while you were ill. I won the lottery, so I sold the house we'd lived in and bought a mansion. We travelled the world and were in Cancun when I fell and hit my head, and here I am. How do I get in?"

"You have to spell a word," she told him.

"Which word?" he asked.

"Czechoslovakia."

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The road where Farmer John lived had become heavily travelled and his chickens were being run over at an alarming rate. "You've got to do something. These speeders are killing my chickens," he told the sheriff. The next day, workers erected a sign: SLOW---SCHOOL CROSSING.

Three days later farmer John called the sheriff. "Can I put up my own sign?" he asked.

The sheriff agreed, and after three weeks had passed with no word from Farmer John, he called him. "How's the problem with those drivers?" he asked.

"Great!" replied Farmer John. "Not one chicken has been killed since I put up my sign."

Thinking such an effective sign might be useful elsewhere, the sheriff went to check it out. There on a post near Farmer John's house was spray painted on a sheet of plywood: NUDIST COLONY, GO SLOW---AND WATCH FOR CHICKS.

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Man to marriage counsellor: "My wife and I can't agree on our vacation. I want to go to Bermuda and she wants to go with me."