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YORKTON COUNCIL NO. 2031

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HOLY WEEK

Knights of Columbus
Yorkton Council No. 2031
St. Gerard's 125 Third Ave. North Yorkton, SK S3N 1C4

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Brother Knights,
Our Council is closing a very full and exciting month. On an extremely cold Sunday, Feb 10th we hosted the monthly brunch after the 9 & 11 am Masses. Even with the frosty temperatures, attendance was

quite good.

Just this past weekend our Council hosted the annual K of C State Curling Bonspiel. There are some final accounts to settle, however, from all the reports and comments received to date, the entire event was a huge success. **THANK YOU** to all the committee members and Br. Knights for their support to this project.

There are two Major Degree exemplifications up-coming -Mar 02nd in Wadena and April 12 in Esterhazy. Unless one of the Yorkton Councils host this Degree, it is unlikely that a location will be closer than these. Let's insure that we can gather a group of our 1st Degree members to attend this exemplification.

As Lent draws us toward Easter, let us pause to reflect on the sacrifice made on the Cross that Good Friday. Happy Easter,

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PROGRAM REPORT



As we approach the end of February we are just finishing off the 2008 Knights of Columbus State Curling Bonspiel. Many thanks go out to all members who helped out in

any way possible physically or spiritually. I would like to thank all that participated and donated to this FRATERNAL EVENT--- without you we wouldn't have had the success that it was. With

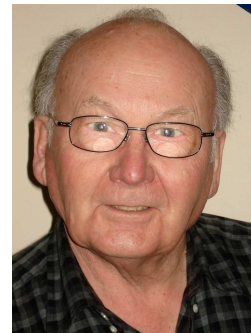
Easter fast approaching, here is the Calendar of Events for the Month of March:

- 5- Executive and Director's Meeting
- 9- Sunday Brunch after 9am and 11am Masses
- 12- General Meeting
 - Bingo at P.K. Bingo Palace 6:00-10:00pm
- 16- Passion Sunday
- 20- Holy Thursday
- 21- Good Friday
- 22- Easter Vigil
- 23- Easter Sunday
- 26 - Bingo at P.K. Bingo Palace 1:30-4:00pm

May this season of Easter bring a resurrection to our Council Activities in all areas.

Fraternally,
Jeff Krasowski PGK

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE



It seems that Christmas was celebrated just a short time ago and here we are into Lent and Easter. Technically, Easter occurs on the first Sunday following the first full moon after the vernal equinox (first day of spring). This is why Easter is so early this

year.

With the Lenten season and the approach of Easter; it is a significant way to prepare and a great opportunity to re-examine oneself and make changes to deepen our faith. The burial of Christ after His death on the cross for our salvation was short-term. On the third day the announcement came that, "He has Risen!" This resurrection of Our Lord is for us who are believers, strength from above and a foundation of our faith.

Brothers, Christ died for our sins; His Resurrection has given us hope.

"Christ has Risen!" "Indeed He has Risen!"

May the risen Christ fill your hearts with the joys of Easter.

Congratulations to all Councils in District #11 who reported their activities on time and submitted the required forms on the due dates (with a few reminders). Reporting of your council activities is necessary because it serves a number of purposes; some of which are identifying the number of volunteer hours that Knights offer in various charitable activities along with the financial contributions to various charities. We have to keep in mind that we are a charitable organization.

Here are some important events for March, April, May and June which councils should consider taking part in:

1. *Membership Blitz* - March 29th - 30th, 2008. This is a good time for membership recruitment. New members will receive their First Degree in honour of Pope Benedict XVI. Check the January 15th Knightline supplement for ideas and procedures. Start by obtaining your pastor's permission to hold a membership drive on March 29th, 30th. Order your Membership Blitz material from Supreme. Also order a DVD called "**Experience of a Lifetime**". This DVD is only 11 minutes in length and is very good explaining why you should be a Knight.
2. **The Knights of Columbus 2008 State Convention is in Regina April 4th to April 6th.** I urge every council in District # 11 to attend. Choose your delegates and make plans to attend.
3. **A Major Degree is being planned for Esterhazy on April 12th, 2008.** Here is an ideal opportunity for councils to have new recruits receive their 2nd and 3rd Degrees. I urge all councils to take advantage of this opportunity.
4. **Our Lady of Charity Icon** - The Knights of Columbus in the province of Saskatchewan is promoting devotion to Our Lady of Charity in a

Marian prayer service. The Lady of Charity Icon will travel in Saskatchewan between councils and parishes in 2007-2008 as the focus of a rosary-centered prayer program. Traveling along with the Icon is a prayer kit containing booklets and prayer cards.

Make every effort for all councils to conduct your own Prayer Service. The schedule for District # 11 is as follows:

5320 Stuna - May 28 - 29
from Lestock-Wishart
5201 Melville - May 30 - 31
from Stuna
5965 Grayson - June 2 - 3
from Melville to Esterhazy
2031 Yorkton - June 19 - 21 from
Langenburg
5182 Yorkton - June 23 - 25 to
Foam Lake

Take note of the council ahead of you and make contact with them. It is recommended that the contact person to attend the prayer service of the council you are getting the Icon from. Consult your chaplain and/or pastor about the service and how it is to be conducted. For the full story and explanation about Our Lady of Charity refer to the September 2007 issue of the Columbian magazine pp.8-10, or the September 10, 2007 issue of the Knightline.

Also, it is probably a good time of the Columbian year to start considering nominations for a new executive; the officers and service program directors.

Congratulations on the work that your council has achieved this year. Looking forward to the next Columbian year there are many program activities that the Knights can be involved in.

Good luck for the rest of this year.

Fraternally yours
Tony Mazur
District Deputy #1

FAMILY CURLING 2007-08

Our Family Curling season for 2007-2008 came to a conclusion on Monday, February 11, 2008. The **Block Winner** was the LONNIE CUPA rink with Jody Chupa, Craig Dobko and Kim Dobko.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT

A EVENT WINNER



Lonnie Chupa rink with Kim Dobko, Craig Dobko, Jody Chupa and Lonnie Chupa. Jeff Krasowski is presenter.

They defeated the Joe Swejda rink with Gary Colbow, Orest Machushek and Ed Mroske.

B EVENT WINNER

The Len Chicoine rink

with Agnes Swejda, Pat Spreitzer, Joanne Koberinski and Len Chicoine

with Jeff Krasowski, presenter



C EVENT WINNER



The Ken Schneider rink with Bob Morrison, Tammy Morrison, Brendan Walkington and Ken Schneider. Jeff Krasowski is presenter.

CONSOLATION EVENT

A EVENT WINNER



The Tom Pasloski rink with Shirley O'Boyle, Nick Andrusiak, Tom Pasloski and Jeff Krasowski,

presenter. Missing is Sheldon Adamiak.

B EVENT WINNER

The Alan Flavel rink with Rose Pasloski, Alfred Labas, Kathy Reese and Alan Flavel. Tom Pasloski is presenter.



C EVENT WINNER



The Lloyd Seymour rink with Marianna Perez, Trevor Makan and Lloyd Seymour. Tom Pasloski is presenter.

After a mini-spiel and a great banquet served at the Gallagher Centre, this ends another year of K of C Family Curling. I hope that everyone had a lot of fun socializing and a lot of good curling. I'd like to thank everyone that took part in this year's curling.

On behalf of my wife Rose and myself, I wish you all a great summer holiday and we'll see you all next fall. Thank you.

Fraternally,
Tom Pasloski

K OF C STATE BONSPIEL

Brother Knights,
Our Council's hosting of the 51st annual K of C State Bonspiel has come and gone. Certainly, it was a FULL weekend. Total number of teams entered – 28, with 6 rinks from our Council. That's great participation! Each team curled 2 games on Friday and Saturday. Records after the 4 games determined if you would move on to event finals on Sunday. Three teams from our Council –

the Flavel, Kuemper and Swejda rinks – qualified for action on Sunday. In an exciting extra end A-event final, the Flavel foursome lost to the Daley rink from Saskatoon.

Aside from the curling, activities available to the participants and visitors included the ice-breaker social on Friday, a hot breakfast on Saturday morning, Mass followed by the Saturday night banquet and entertainment. Approximately 180 persons attended the banquet.

Any time you host a major event, there is concern that everything that has gone into the planning will fall into place; all preparations and details will go smoothly.

Virtually all comments have been very positive with respect to the entire event. From prizes and bonspiel format to facilities and meals, the responses received (even from teams that did not fare as well on the ice) are complimentary. Many said ‘they want to come back to Yorkton’! Of course, success could not be achieved without the support and hard work of many people. The bonspiel committee members completed the areas they were responsible for and there were very few “snags”.

A huge Thank You to all the sponsors and donators contributing toward prizes, an important component to the overall success of the spiel.

Last, but not least, of course, Thank You to all the Brother Knights who worked their shift(s) and attended the various activities. This could not have been done without YOU!

A EVENT- PAT DALEY RINK



SKIP- Pat Daley
3RD - Denise Hounjet-Roth
2ND - Louis Roth
1ST - Alice Denis-Daley

B EVENT- CURT ORTH RINK

SKIP- Curt Orth
3RD - Laurie Wenzoski
2ND - Bernie Mikolas
1ST - Rudy Lonoway



C EVENT - LARRY KREKLEWICH RINK

SKIP – Larry Kreklewich
3RD - Earl Molnar
2ND - Allan Pacholko
1ST - Al Osicki



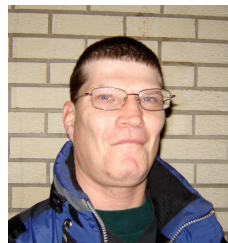
D EVENT - TONY KORTE RINK

SKIP – Tony Korte
3RD - Linda Seemann-Korte
2ND - Gord Berscheid
1ST - Claudia Berscheid



Fraternally,
 Brother Paul Ponak

MEMBERSHIP REPORT



The month of March is a special month in our Columbian year. We approach it as a time of reflection of our hearts. How are we as a membership to help our Order in the recruitment of new and

former members is up to you my brother knights. We have one new prospect ready and willing to become a member of our council. Wouldn't it be great to have a first degree in conjunction with our upcoming General Meeting? Please ask a Catholic gentlemen 18 years of age or older and a practical Catholic to become a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Fraternally,
 Jeff Krasowski, PGK

An expert is an ordinary guy 50 miles from home.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

This is the third installment in our series of the Duties of Council Officers. We have in the past couple of issues of "The Word" talked about the duties of the grand knight, deputy grand knight, chancellor, recorder, treasurer and advocate. These are elected offices, which the requirements are that you have to be a Third Degree member in good standing. The following three positions are the final three that are ELECTED and they are Warden, Inside and Outside Guards, and Board of Trustees. Please understand that this is an overview of each of these positions. We hope that you can take the time to read and think about a position in which you may help our council.

So here we go with the overview:

WARDEN- The warden is the "watchdog" for council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the financial secretary, treasurer and recorder. He is also responsible for setting up the council chambers for meetings and ceremonial work. During ceremonial exemplifications, he will appoint and supervise guards.

INSIDE & OUTSIDE GUARDS - The guards have similar responsibilities, but distinct differences. The outside guard tends to the outer door admitting visitors and members to the inner door. Once at the inner door the inside guard checks to make sure that their membership cards are current.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES - The board of trustees consists of three members elected by the council and the grand knight, who serves as chairman of the board. They oversee the work of the financial secretary and treasurer, and with deputy grand knight serve on the council's retention committee. During council elections, only the three-year trustee is voted on, with the others moving on to become two- and one-year trustees, respectively.

Next issue we will describe the duties of the non - elected officers financial secretary, chaplain, and lecturer.

Fraternally,
Jeff Krasowski- 3yr. Trustee
Henry Kween,- 2 yr Trustee
Joe Paydli-1 year Trustee

BINGO



Two bingo programs are scheduled for this month. The first is **Wednesday, March 12th 6:00-10:00pm** and the second is **Wednesday, March 26th 1:30-4:00pm**. Mark these dates on your calendar and make yourselves available for help when called.

Fraternally,
Wilf Maier



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 – Maxine Paydli | 18 – David Sutter |
| 3 – Judie Bernat | 18 – Jeff Krasowski |
| 4 – Joan Andrusyk | 19 – Randy Fleury |
| 4 – Vern Novak | 21 – Walter Bugoy |
| 5 – Allen Konkin | 22 – Glen Chillog |
| 5 – Kathryn Novak | 25 – Merv Wasylenchuk |
| 6 – Gerard Fulawka | 25 – Janice Flaman |
| 9 – Vera Wassill | 28 – Bernice Machushek |
| 12 – Richard Swejda | 29 – Rose Brezinski |
| 13 – Clarence Dolney | 30 – Lori den Brok |
| 14 – Albert Bauche | 31 – Helen Flavel |
| 17 – Angie Van Parys | |



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 30 – Murray and Katherine Bolton
31 – Harry and Joan Monette