



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
YORKTON COUNCIL NO. 2031

THE WORD

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St. Gerard's 125 Third Ave. North Yorkton, SK S3N 1C4

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Here we are, another Halloween and a fun time for our young ones. This year I get into costume, scout the neighborhood, and holler, "Trick or Treat"

with my Grandsons, Graham and Mitchell in Kenora, ON.

CHARITY APPEAL REPORT: 121 books were sold, 2 lost books with no revenue, 2 lost books paid by donation This is a total of 125 books. All books were accounted for. Thank you Brother Knights for your usual generous response in selling tickets and returning the books. 'The Draw' is in Macklin on November 1st. Let's hope we have sold some winners.

October 26 Diocesan Youth Rally Brunch: Thanks to the nine or so Brother Knights who organized, prepared the food, and did clean up. We served about 75 youth and parents.

YARD CLEAN-UP: I was out of town but I hear that the yards and some gardens got a good fall grooming. This service project is one we should be proud of--thanks to some hard working knights.

MAJOR DEGREE: I received word from Arnold Petracek that this event which was to be on November 8th in Esterhazy is cancelled. Another date is being planned.

November is our month of 'Remembering.' We pray for the Souls in Purgatory. We remember our deceased Brother Knights, and we remember those who gave the supreme sacrifice in the two world wars, the Korean War, and in Afghanistan. This is very close to our family as a nephew and great-nephew have just returned after 7 months. I know other knights have similar family stories. God bless our troops.

Nov. 11: REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE at the Gallagher Center (Flexi Hall) at 11:00

Dress code: blazers if possible and full regalia for 4th Degree.

Meet at 10:30. Let us show the pride of our Order and a thank you to our veterans with many attending. Spouses and families are welcome as there is ample seating for guests.

At 2 pm the veterans invite all to the Legion Hall for refreshments and lunch.

Nov. 12: MEMORIAL for our DECEASED BROTHERS

See Brother Keith Hayward's message. I hope many will come for an evening of prayer and fellowship to honour our deceased Brothers. Our Council is richer because of their good work and a strong belief in the Order. In the past 42 or so years, I had the privilege of serving with many of these men. They worked hard for the Order and were devoted to the Church. We also will have a chance to say thank you to some of their widows who also worked by their sides for the good of Knights and St. Gerard's.

FATHER BASIL CHOMOS: Father, we are all happy to know that you are at long last being attended to. As I do this report, we hear surgery was the first step. Our prayers are for your healing and a relief from pain.

SASKATCHEWAN YOUTH PARLIAMENT: *For ages 15-21*

The Knights of Columbus have been generous sponsors for this non-partisan debating form. The sessions are held at the Legislature and sit in the seats of the MLA'S. Members are put in sides of government and leader of the opposition and a chosen Speaker of the House (a seasoned member). The Lieutenant Governor or an appointed dignitary reads the Speech from the Throne. The debating topics are chosen from suggestions of members,

Over the years we sponsored many youth. But sad to say no one has attended from St. Gerard's or Yorkton since 2005. Encourage your family youth, grandchildren or another youth of our parish to attend. Besides learning the art of debating and setting up resolutions, they will make life long friends. Kay and I have attended some of these sessions and I know our MLA members could learn lots. The results of the days debating are sent to the Government of Saskatchewan and over the years some of these debated and voted resolutions have been put into law or policy.

Application forms can be obtained from Brother Wayne Exner (783-7380), Brother Greg Dubois (783-8840), or GK Eugene Kuemper (783-9157). Application deadline is December 1st.

For more information and also an application, go to www.saskatchewanyouthpaliamentt.com
 At our next General meeting we will decide how many youth we will sponsor.

A CALL FOR HELP: for the Knight's Monthly Sunday Brunches: We have some very dedicated knights who have carried this load. As attendance at breakfast is increasing, we sure could use more help. This is an invitation to all members... If you can give a few hours for food preparation, clean up, or running the dishwasher, WE NEED YOU. Try one Sunday of help and we know you will be back as there is also fraternal socializing. This has become a worthwhile project enjoyed by many parishioners.

All Saints Day ...Saturday, November 1st
 All Souls Day... Sunday, November 2nd

Fraternally,
 Eugene Kuemper GK

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**PROGRAMMING REPORT**



I would personally like to thank all those who helped with the leaf rake project. We had a turnout of ten brother knights who volunteered their Saturday morning to help those in

need of our services.

As you will note that there will be a few changes to our calendar of events for this month. We will be holding our **general meetings for the next two months on the FIRST Wednesday of the month**. Our Church director has scheduled a Memorial Mass and supper for the 12<sup>th</sup> of the month.

At the last brunch, I understand we were short of help as it was a long weekend. If you have NOT helped with a brunch yet this year, make the next brunch the one you will be helping with.

As you can see by the calendar of events, Christmas is just around the corner. This is another event in which we will be looking for your help. Please help if you can.

Calendar of events for November:

- 1 Charity Appeal draw in Macklin
- 2 Brunch at St. Mary's after the 11.00 AM Mass
- 5 Bingo at PK Bingo Palace 1 pm  
Director/executive meeting at 7 pm  
General meeting at 7:30 pm
- 8 Major Degree in Esterhazy
- 9 Brunch after both Masses
11. Remembrance Day
12. Memorial Mass and supper
- 22 Bingo at PK Bingo Palace 1 pm
29. Erecting 'Keep Christ in Christmas' signs

Your humble servant  
 Wayne Exner

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MEMORIAL MASS AND SUPPER



The council will be holding its annual Memorial Mass on Wednesday November 12 at 6:00 pm with supper to follow. This is a special time to remember the many deceased Brother

Knights who went before us and whose hard work laid the foundation for the council we have today. The CWL will also once again be participating in the Memorial Mass and supper.

We will need to have numbers for the supper by November 7. The cost will be \$12 per person, which can be paid at the door. Please contact one of the following if you will be attending the supper (please consider bringing your spouse as well):

Eugene Kuemper 783-9157
 Jeff Krasowski 783-5672
 Wayne Exner 783-7380

Fraternally,
 Keith Hayward

Note: The general meeting will be combined with the executive meeting on November 5 to allow more time for socializing on the 12th.

RAKING LEAVES



Ten brother knights came out on a beautiful Saturday morning, October 16th to form a ***Leaf Raking Brigade***. We

formed two groups to attack five widows' yards. We then congregated at the church and rectory yards to finish off raking, bagging and hauling the leaves away. The job was complete just in time for lunch. Although our Community Director, Joe Swejda was away, brother Keith Hayward did a wonderful job of organizing this hard working crew. Thanks brothers.



L-R: Jeff Krasowski(kneeling), Ryan Watling, Con Rodney, Wayne Exner, Orest Machushek(kneeling), Keith Hayward, Pat Skaluba, Al Flavel and Merv Krasowski.(Bill Yaremko was taking the picture)

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*Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied, "They couldn't get a baby sitter."*

## **MEMBER INFORMATION**

Death: Edward Mroske (September 18<sup>th</sup>)

Transfer out: Hugh Mallard  
To council #3437 (Camrose AB)

Honorary Members: Arnold Gress  
Art Scherr

Suspension: Gary Schachtel (remove from roster)

Address Changes: Clarence Dolney  
327 La Ronge Road  
Saskatoon, SK S7K 4S1  
Phone 382-3799

Ted Osicki  
79 Ross Drive  
Yorkton, SK S3N 3Z9

### *Honorary Membership:*

A member who has attained the age of 65 years, and who has been a member of the order 25 consecutive years shall be designated an Honorary Member upon due request in writing (submission of a form 100 by the financial secretary). (dues are reduced to \$10.00)

### *Honorary Life Membership:*

A member who has attained the age of 70 years and who has been a member of the order for 25 consecutive years, and those who have been members of the order for 50 consecutive years regardless of age, shall be designated Honorary Life Members upon due request in writing. (submission of form 100 by the financial secretary) (dues are reduced to \$0)

I try to keep track of members who should have a membership change, but if you think you qualify for a membership change, please let me know. A membership change does not occur until a form 100 has been submitted to Supreme Office from you council's Financial Secretary.

Fraternally,  
Alan Flavel,  
Financial Secretary

**BINGO**



Two bingo sessions are scheduled for this month, **Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> 1:30-4:00pm** and **Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> 1:30-4:00 pm**. Once again, we ask you to be available to help when asked.

Fraternally,  
Wilf Maier



**NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- 4 – Carl and Anne Letwinetz
- 7 – Elliot and DonnLyn Graf
- 7 – Elmer and Margaret Matisho
- 8 – Nestor and Rita Ohochinsky(50<sup>th</sup>)
- 9 – Dr. Daniel and Vera Wassill
- 12 – David and Sandra Sutter
- 14 – Alfred and Lillian Labas
- 15 – Gordon and Sharon Barnes
- 16 – Rudolph and Margaret Faye(35<sup>th</sup>)

**(Sorry for an omission- October 16<sup>th</sup> was Alex and Beatrice Puchala's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)**  
**CONGRATULATIONS**

*Best Salesman*

*Three salesmen were bragging who is the best. The first said, that he is so good he sold a color television to a blind man. The second bragged he sold a HI-FI stereo system to a deaf man. The third said he sold a Cuckoo clock to a blonde lady. The other two said, so what? The third salesman added, along with the Cuckoo clock, I also sold her one hundred pounds of bird seeds!!!!*



**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

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| 1 – Christine Shuya    | 16 – Helen Hunt       |
| 1 – Angeline Sherman   | 18 – Evelyn Loster    |
| 2 – Harry Monette      | 19 – Doreen Rathgeber |
| 3 – Orest Machushek    | 20 – Terry Yaremko    |
| 5 – Denis Obrigewitsch | 22 – Myrtle Skikewich |
| 5 – Marcy Osicki       | 23 – James Caudle     |
| 7 – Debbie Hayward     | 24 – Genevieve Turta  |
| 10 – Henry Kereliuk    | 25 – Elmer Matisho    |
| 11 – Wayne Exner       | 26 – Bill Yaremko     |
| 11 – Cheryl Loster     | 27 – Gilbert Kryski   |
| 12 – Jean Bryski       | 29 – Eddie Slogotski  |
| 16 – Joe Swejda        |                       |

*Three men were hiking through a forest when they came upon a large raging, violent river. Needing to get to the other side, the first man prayed: "God, please give me the strength to cross the river"*

*Poof!.....God gave him big arms and strong legs and he was able to swim across in about 2 hours, having almost drowned twice. After witnessing that, the second man prayed: "God, please give me strength and the tools to cross the river". Poof!.....God gave him a rowboat and strong arms and strong legs and he was able to row across in about an hour after almost capsizing once.*

*Seeing what happened to the first two men, the third man prayed: "God, please give me the strength, the tools and the intelligence to cross the river"*

*Poof!.....He was turned into a woman. She checked the map, hiked one hundred yards up stream and walked across the bridge.*