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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



The days are slowly getting longer. This is a reminder that the season of LENT is soon upon us with Ash Wednesday on February

25. At St. Gerard's, we are given ways to use in preparation for Easter. In faithfulness, we could try to attend some weekday Masses, the Station of the Cross, and perhaps some personal visits in prayer and meditation before the tabernacle. We can commit to be more helpful to our neighbour and perform acts of penance.

Major Degree at Esterhazy on March 7. This is for Brother Knights who have only their First Degree. Please contact Brothers Art Scherr, Wayne Exner, or Eugene Kuemper. This is also the time to encourage men of our parish to join this most worthy organization. You need to sign them up soon to get their First Degree before March 7.

Basketball Free Throw: Thank you to Brothers Greg Dubois, Al Brischuk and all knights that helped.

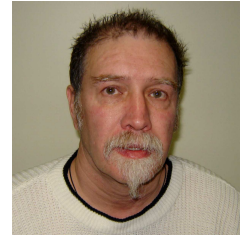
February is Valentine Month: Men, this is a time to pay tribute to the women in our lives. In the news we hear of so much abuse toward women. This is a serious problem in our province, in all of Canada, and in some countries the cruelty and control of females is horrible. May we strive to be an example of respect to all women and young girls.

Invitation from the Brother Stanislaus Assembly: Knights and Spouses are invited to a Valentine Dinner and Social on February 19 at St. Gerard's. The Social begins at 6:30 and Dinner at 7:00. Ticket price is \$15.00 per person. Dress Code: Guest: Suit or Jacket and tie. For information or if you are attending contact Brothers Jeff Krasowski or Eugene Kuemper before February 15.

Regular Meeting, February 11: Please make an effort to attend. Discussion and passing of Motions need to be made by a larger number of members. Fraternity is foremost in this organization and this is a good time to meet and socialize with your Brothers.

Fraternally,
Eugene Kuemper GK

PROGRAM DIRECTORS REPORT:



I would firstly like to thank youth director Greg Dubois and Brother Al Brischuk for trying something different by changing the date of the basketball free throw. There was a big increase in the number of participants. The District Basketball Free-Throw Competition will be held in Melville on Sunday, February 8th at 1:00pm at St. Henry's High School.

Remember brother directors that change is good and can increase numbers. We will have a February, which is the shortest month, but it may not appear so as there are a lot of events slated for the month. February is also the start of Lent. The following is the calendar of events for the month:

- 4 - Director/executive meeting
- 8 - Basket Ball freethrow at Melville at 1pm
- Evening bingo
- 11 - General meeting
- 14 - District basketball free throw in Melville
- 15 - Brunches after Masses
- 20-22 - State curling in Unity
- 24 - Shrove Tuesday supper
- 25 - Ash Wednesday
- 28 - Afternoon bingo

There are a number of brother knights who are helping at ALL functions. To make the load lighter, please brother knights, help these brothers who are carrying the load for the rest of us. If you think that just because no one phoned that your help is not needed--- think again; your help is always needed. If we get twice as many for the next function, that is great, you are still a part of this. We need all brother knights to be active. Make yourself active.

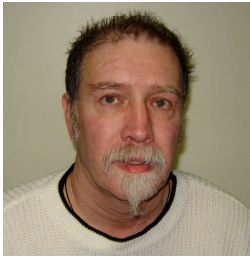
Your humble servant
Wayne Exner



Two little old ladies were attending a rather long church service. One leaned over and whispered, "My butt is going to sleep." "I know," replied her companion, "I heard it snore three times."

STATE REGIONAL DIRECTORS

MEMO:



I would firstly like to remind everyone of the Major degree to be held in our area. Esterhazy is hosting the degree on March 7th. This is a chance for all councils and members to

firstly get new members so that your supreme quotas are fulfilled. Secondly, to have a chance for brother knights who have not become a full knight to become a FULL member. To be fulfilled as a knight of your council you need to be initiated in the Second and Third degrees. I know there are many knights within the councils who have only achieved the first degree. Now is the time to be a FULL member of your council. Let your grand knight know that you want to participate in the initiation.

Let us support a neighboring council who is putting together a state function. It is now time to hold a council membership drive before the major degree. All membership directors should be focused on a membership drive for the month of February. Make membership your focus for February.

Also some good news, as I spoke to Melville council and they will be getting their first degree team together so there will be more first degrees available to take your new members. Melville has a first degree tentatively scheduled for their meeting in February, which is slated for February 17th. Please District Deputies, get all your eggs in one basket and forward this information on to ALL grand knights.

Let us all work together and support our neighboring councils.

Your humble servant
Wayne Exner SRD



*The shortest sentence is "I am".
The longest sentence is "I do".*

**BROTHER STANISLAUS
FOURTH DEGREE REPORT**

Do you know what fourth degree Knights do? Do you want to know more about the fourth degree? Since the start of this fraternal year our Faithful Navigator Sir Knight Merv Polzen has overseen much planning for fraternity and community events. We are not just knights with swords and feathers in our chapeaux.



All brother knights are invited to a social evening held at St. Gerard's Parish Hall on February 19th. This is our annual Valentines celebration with which we show how much we appreciate our ladies. Whether you are a first, third or fourth degree knight, you are invited to bring your favorite lady to celebrate with us. The doors will open at 6.30 PM with supper at 7.00. If you would like to attend; please call Jeff Krasowski at 783-5672 or Eugene Kuemper at 783-9157. Numbers will be needed by February 15th. The cost is \$15.00 per person.

Also in the final planning stages is the annual Patriotic Dinner planned for March 26th. This year's dynamic and animated speaker will be Father Tumback with the topic of Catholic Health and Education. Mark this date on your calendars for a prime beef dinner at St. Mary's Cultural Centre. Notices will be published in Church bulletins as the date approaches.

Please make every effort to become a member of the fourth degree so that you may become a complete knight with your final step to knighthood.

Your humble servant;
Sir Knight Wayne Faithful Scribe



The irony of life is that, by the time you're old enough to know your way around, you're not going anywhere.

BINGO



We have two bingo programs scheduled for this month. The first is **Sunday, February 8th 6-10pm** and the second is **Saturday, February 28th 1:30-4:00pm**. We hope you will be available to help when called.

The January 16th bingo had to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstance, but we will likely pick up an extra program sometime.

Fraternally,
Wilf Maier

BASKETBALL FREETHROW



The Yorkton Basketball Free Throw was held at St. Michael's School on January 15th at 7pm. Sorry, no report on this event.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Change to Honorary Life: (70+25)

Tom Pasloski
Jim Caudle

Members who have been Knights for 50 years:

Wally Sotski
Ed Magis

Congratulations brothers.

Membership dues: There are still some outstanding dues to be sent in. If you are in arrears, would you please send in your dues now. Second notice letters will be sent out in February—it would be nice if I didn't have to send any notices out (and cheaper for the council). Thank you to all members who are paid up.

A reminder to all members: If your address or phone number, etc. change, please let me know. This allows me to keep my records current and I forward all changes to Supreme Council. The information Supreme Council has of each member is the information I forward to them. This is important for Honorary Life members who I don't have any usual contact with, because you can become "lost" to the council.

Fraternally,
Alan Flavel (fin. Sec.)

An Irishman who had a little too much to drink is driving home from the city one night and, of course, his car is weaving violently all over the road. A cop pulls him over. 'So,' says the cop to the driver, 'where have ya been?'

'Why, I've been to the pub of course,' slurs the drunk.

'Well,' says the cop, 'it looks like you've had quite a few to drink this evening.'

'I did all right,' the drunk says with a smile.

'Did you know,' says the cop, standing straight, and folding his arms across his chest, 'that a few intersections back, your wife fell out of your car?'

'Oh, thank heavens,' sighs the drunk. 'for a minute there, I thought I'd gone deaf.'



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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| 2 – Gerard Sterk | 16 – Lyle Mroczo |
| 2 – John denBrok | 16 – Rose Gress |
| 4 – Ignace Palchewich | 21 – Harold Naprawa |
| 6 – Elliot Graf | 22 – Alison Lyon |
| 6 – Judy Bolton | 25 – Paul Farbacher |
| 7 – John R. Malinowski | 25 – Angela Ostapovich |
| 7 – Scott Hoffort | 27 – Donna Obrigewitsch |
| 7 – Katherine Bolton | 27 – Dr. Daniel Wassill |
| 9 – Marge Farbacher | 27 – Kay Kuemper |
| 13 – Ken Olszewski | 27 – Sharon Chillog |
| 14 – Mary Diakuw | |



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 10 – John and Susan Malinowski
- 17 – Gary and Donna Copan
- 21 – Paul and Rosemarie Ponak

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*Sven was shopping in the mall when he noticed his friend Ole standing outside the jewelers. Ole had a small, beautifully-wrapped gift box in his hand. "So vat haf you yust purchased, Ole?" asked Sven.*

*"Vell, now dat you ast, it's a gift for Lena, my Valentine," said Ole. "I ast her dis mornin' vat she wanted for a Valentine.....she said, "Oh- don't*

*go to any trubble, dear; you yust git me someting vit a lotta diamonds in it."*

*"So....vat did you git her?" asked Sven.*

*Smiling, Ole replied, "I bought her a deck of cards*

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*One day while he was at the track betting on the ponies and nearly losing his shirt, Mitch noticed a priest who stepped out onto the track and blessed the forehead of one of the horses lining up for the 4th race. Lo and behold, that horse - a very long shot - won the race. Mitch was most interested to see what the priest did the next race. Sure enough, the priest stepped out onto the track as the 5th race horses lined up, and placed a blessing on the forehead of one of the horses. Mitch made a beeline for the window, and placed a small bet on the horse.*

*Again, even though it was another long shot, the horse the priest had blessed won the race. Mitch collected his winnings, and anxiously waited to see which horse the priest would bless for the 6th race.*

*Mitch was elated! As the day went on, the priest continued blessing horses, and they always came in first. Mitch began to pull in some serious money, and by the last race, he knew his wildest dreams were going to come true. He made a quick stop at the ATM, withdrew his savings, and awaited the priest's blessing that would tell him which horse to bet on. True to his pattern, the priest stepped out onto the track before the last race and blessed the forehead, eyes, ears, and hooves of one of the horses. Mitch bet every cent, and watched the horse come in dead last. Mitch was dumbfounded. He made his way to the track, and when he found the priest, he demanded, "What happened, Father? All day long you blessed horses and they won. The last race, you blessed a horse and he lost. Now, thanks to you, I've lost all my savings!!"*

*The priest nodded wisely and said, "That's the problem with Protestants! You can't tell the difference between a simple blessing and the Last Rites.*

attn: Knights of Columbus.



Yorkton RCMP



R.S.V.P. Date:

February 2, 2009

For more

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**Business Card  
Draw!**

# Yorkton Business Positive Ticketing Breakfast

The Yorkton Alliance of Asset Champions and the RCMP invite you to attend a free breakfast to kick-off the Positive Ticketing initiative in the City of Yorkton. Come see how this initiative will directly affect a reduction in crime in the City of Yorkton and how businesses can be involved!

**February 4, 2009**

**7:30 AM – 8:00 AM Breakfast**

**8:00 AM – 8:45 AM Program**

**Ramada Inn**

**Heritage Room**