

Happy birthday to our Bro. Knights celebrating their birthdays in February:

Aurele LaRochele	Hans Wuth	Rev. J. Sheppard
Ed Stumborg	Duc Pham	Jack Kelly
James Court	Gerald LeChasseur	Louis Duhamel
	Ferdinand Gonzales	

New tables & chairs for the Parish

Thanks to the foresight and initiative of Bro. **Claude Francoeur**, our Council has been able to donate 22 new (new to us!) tables and 100 padded chairs to St. Peter's Parish hall. The donation represents a total of \$1350.00 and will replace the old dilapidated 40 year old furniture. Also a big 'thank you' to **Sean Fadum** & Bros. **Vince Cooke**, **Jim Mudge**, **Rene Marchand** for helping in the pickup and delivery. Official presentation to our Pastor will be on Sunday, Feb.9, after both Masses.

Bingo

We have completed our responsibilities as bingo paymasters until the end of summer. Thank you Bro. **Claude Francoeur** for your great dedication!

Father Michael J. McGivney Guild

A new 'Information' page on the **Father Michael J. McGivney Guild** has been added to our website. For information and application forms, please see: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/information.htm>

1st Degree Exemplification

On Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2003, our First Degree team conducted an exemplification in St. Edward's Parish hall, Duncan. We are very pleased to have had four candidates taking their 1st. Degree and are happy to welcome the following to our Order: **Daniel Trombley** (Shawnigan Lake), **Chris West** (Ladysmith), **Leon Esquivel** & **Mike Fraser** (Duncan).

Charity Appeal winners!

Congratulations to all the winners of this year's Charity Appeal Drive:

1st	Dodge Ram Truck	Randy Kerr	Prince George
2nd	Chrysler PT Cruiser	Gary Teschke	Prince George
3rd	Ford Windstar LX Minivan	H.Lalonde	Cloverdale
4th	GMC Tracker	Brent Stewart	Prince George
5th	Ford Focus	Elliot Mostat	Powell River

For list of 'Early Bird' winners see: <http://www.vcn.bc.ca/kofcdraw/>

On the Lighter Side

1. O'Reilly drove into a car wash. When he was through, the attendant took the money and said, "Thanks my Irish lad." O'Reilly said, "How did you know I was Irish?" The attendant said, "Well, we don't get many motorcyclists in here."
2. "About your double window, Mrs. Roe, you haven't made any payments on it for three years." "That's perfectly true. But you told me it would pay for itself in twelve months."



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Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Sept.-July) at Columbian Centre at 7:30 pm

Regular meetings:

1st Wednesday of the month in St.Peter's Parish hall at 7:30 pm

Pancake breakfast:

Every 3rd Sunday after both Masses

Officers for 2002/2003

Grand Knight	Vince Cooke	756-9473
Past Grand Knight	Jim Mudge	754-4110
Chaplain	Fr. Darek Zarebski	753-3570
Deputy Grand Knight	Brian King	751-7851
Chancellor	Bill Smith	756-6141
Recorder	Jake Gillespie	754-5091
Financial Secretary	Parker Okano	753-5115
Treasurer	Ted Kelly	758-5095
Lecturer	Claude Francoeur	754-2425
Advocate	Ed Campbell	754-7661
Warden	Eugene Greene	754-2487
Inside Guard	Gerald LeChasseur	714-1995
Outside Guard	Rick Elliott	714-7132
Trustee 3rd Year	Jim Mudge	754-4110
Trustee 2nd Year	Rene Marchand	753-1657
Trustee 1st Year	Patrick Hanney	758-4795

Our Annual District Curling Bonspiel, Feb. 16, 2003, at 12:30 pm

Visit our website at: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842>

This bulletin is also available on our website at:

<http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/bulletin>

Our Email address: kc3842@shaw.ca

Grand Knight's report.

Dear Brother Knights,

In the January issue of the Columbia Magazine there are several articles on peace: one from the Pope, the Supreme Knight, and one called "Change the World". We are all aware that 2003 is dedicated by the Pope to World Peace. Over the past few weeks an intense longing for world peace is surely in the heart of every Christian.

WHAT HAS THIS TO DO WITH US? Our founder who lived in the aftermath of the US civil war, was prompted to minister to young men lacking direction and support, and to help them become fathers and husbands who could provide spiritually as well as materially for their families. We today are also called to similar greatness of heart. We hold his legacy in our hands, and we must regularly examine our stewardship of this great gift of being a Knight.

As in any organization, one of our prime concern is recruitment. We are faced with the challenge of attracting younger men to our ranks. The Knights of Columbus is tailor made for young men who are eager for spiritual support and opportunities to do good for others, and contribute to the Church and society at large. We who are already Knights must take stock of our founder's original plan and purpose! World Peace will not be won on the battlefield, it must be won in the hearts of men. The spiritual richness and depth that is required of each of us, can be nurtured by our membership in the Knights of Columbus.

With your faithful participation we will succeed in bringing peace to others, through the many programs we have to offer our Church, our community and those less fortunate.

Sincerely,

Vince Cooke, GK.

Notice of Motion

Recommended by the Scholarship Committee and moved/seconded by Bros. **Claude Francoeur/Donn Sherry** THAT: applicants who have received their first post-secondary academic degree be excluded for eligibility from our scholarships/bursaries.

REMINDER

1.) Our Curling Bonspiel will be on the Feb. 16. Please, pre-register (See details on next page).

2.) Due to the Bonspiel, our monthly pancake breakfast will be held one week earlier on Sunday, Feb.9.

3.) A major degree will be held in Langford on Mar.15. For a link to the complete details see our website at: <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842>

4) Please remember the Knights of Columbus (B.C.) Charity Foundation's continued efforts to raise awareness & funds. For any questions, contact Bro. **Paul Redchurch** at: redchurch@shaw.ca See our website at <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/information.htm> for further information and donation/support form.

District Deputy's report

Dear Brothers:

Re.: Our beloved Founder, **Father Michael J. McGivney**.

It was for their spiritual and material benefit that Father McGivney gathered a group of his young friends in the basement of St. Mary's Church in the fall of 1881. At 29 years of age, Father McGivney became the founder of the Knights of Columbus, a lay organization that would provide fraternal support among Catholic men and insurance benefits for them and their families in times of death and in need.

He was an apostle of the Christian family. He always put the obligations of his priestly vocation before any other consideration, even the organization of his beloved Knights of Columbus.

The Father Michael J. McGivney guild was established a few years ago to promote the cause for sainthood through prayer and to communicate the message of his spirituality.

Every KofC member and their families are urged to join the Guild. There is a monthly Mass for members including their specific intentions. There is no cost, however a tax-deductible receipt for your donation will be issued. Please spread the word. Everyone is invited to join the Guild to help foster the process of canonization. Bro. **Jim Mudge** (754-4110) will chair this all important task and promote your joining the Guild. Vivat Jesus, **Ed Landry**, District Deputy # 21

Annual District Curling Bonspiel

Calling all curlers — and non-curlers alike!!! On Sunday Feb. 16, 2003, our council will once again hold its **Annual District Curling Bonspiel**. All curlers must be at the Nanaimo Curling rink no later than 12:30 pm for registration. The fee will only be \$6 per curler to cover rink costs. Everyone is welcome to participate, young & old, curler & non-curler — this is strictly a fun activity fit for the whole family! As in the past, following the curling all curlers and those cheering them on are invited back to St. Peter's Church hall for chili and buns, compliments of our Council. Please, come and join us; bring a friend or your family; you may even bring your own team! **Since we must let the Rink know how many curlers we will have, please, call and pre-register** with Bros. **Vince Cooke** (756-9473), **Claude Francoeur** (754-2425), or **St. Peter's Parish office** (753-3570)

News nuggets.....

WE DID IT!

- Our thanks to **Pat Geiger**, **Sean Fadum** and **Colin Fadum**, to Bros. **Claude Francoeur**, **Jim Mudge**, **Vince Cooke**, **Brian King**, **Hans Fadum** who helped move a Bro. Knight and the widow of a departed brother. Your help, charity & fraternity is truly what we are all about!
- In 2002 our Council volunteered 5,400 hours of work. 60% of this time was devoted to church, community and families; 40% was for council activities and membership. **THANK YOU** to all members who gave of their time and talents!