

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

Jimmy Sirois
Norbert Soares
Daniel Bossert
Will Brown

Don Kingsley
John Little
Brian Ferris
Emile Hoffort
Christopher Jeffs

Bill Ducey
Brian Heffernan
Pat Hanney
Bob Nielsen

Heroic Missionary Knight

(The following is an excerpt from ***Knightline***, Sept. 2017, Vol.34, No.9, p.4, under the title: *Heroic Missionary Receives Gaudium et Spes Award*)

The Gaudium et Spes Award — the highest honor of the Knights of Columbus — was bestowed on Father **Gerard E. Hammond**, a Maryknoll priest who has engaged in the heroic mission of ministering to the people of North Korea for the past two decades. He received the award from Supreme Knight Carl Anderson at the annual States Dinner of the 135th Supreme Convention Aug. 1. Father Hammond, who is 83 years old, serves as the Maryknoll's regional superior of Korea. Stationed in South Korea, he's been given an opportunity rarely granted to a Catholic priest: permission to cross the North Korean border. He has crossed the border more than 50 times since 1995, bringing food and medicine to those with multidrug-resistant tuberculosis and providing other humanitarian assistance. He joined the Knights of Columbus in 1960, the year of his priestly ordination, and has served as chaplain of Bishop John J. Kaising Council 14223 and faithful friar of Bishop Joseph W. Estabrook Assembly, both located on the U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan in Seoul. In his acceptance speech, Father Hammond gave a blessing in Korean and spoke of his love for the people of North Korea, who very rarely get to interact with Catholic priests. At the conclusion of his talk, he was joined by Knights from South Korea in offering a profound bow as a sign of deep love and gratitude toward the Order and those in attendance.

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for any questions and more information, or see our online calendar at <https://www.kofc3842.com/activities>. Tentatively, tickets will be \$25 per person, all taxes and gratuities included, to be paid in cash or by cheque at the banquet or, preferably, in advance. Your attendance **must be confirmed to Bro. Al no later than Dec. 1, 2017.**

On the Lighter Side

A thoughtful Scottish husband was putting his coat and hat on to make his way down to the local pub, He turned to his wee wife before leaving and said, 'Maggie - put your hat and coat on, lassie.' She replied, 'Awe Jock that's nice - are you taking me tae the pub with you?' 'Nay,' Jock replied, 'I'm turning the heat off while I'm out.'



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Mid Knight News

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Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Aug.-June) in St.Peter's Church, Resource Room, at 7:30 pm

Regular meetings:

1st Wednesday of the month (Sept.-June) in St.Peter's Parish hall, at 7:30 pm

Pancake breakfast:

4th Sunday in Jan., Mother's & Father's Day (May-June) and every 3rd Sunday (Sept.-Dec.; Feb-Apr.) after both Masses in St.Peter's Parish hall

Officers for 2017/2018

Grand Knight	Gregory Large	250-753-6091
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Advocate	Dan DePape	250-740-2521
Warden	Louis Curti	250-758-5255
Inside Guard	Mike Loos	250-716-5893
Outside Guard	Chris Jeffs	250-619-0848
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Trustee 2 Years	Jim Cassino	250-754-8472
Trustee 3 Years	Al Schickerowsky	250-753-7813

Lest we forget! Remember in your prayers all those who have fought and died in wars.

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Charity Appeal Drive

On Friday, Oct. 27, we were finally able to launch our Annual Charity Appeal Drive. We are very happy and thankful that Bro. **Tony Bucar** has once again graciously accepted to be the chairman for this year. Even though the start of this year's Drive is a few weeks late, our aim is to repeat last year's success by selling 600 books again. For last year's Appeal Drive we were able to sell **almost** all tickets that we ordered, a total of 600 books—minus one ticket!! That effort raised for us a total of **\$4,499.25.00** for distribution to the following charities:

- \$300.00 — to **CERC (Catholic Education Resource Centre)**
- \$500.00 — to **Covenant House Vancouver**
- \$300.00 — to **Nanaimo Blind Bowlers**
- \$500.00 — to **Nanaimo Seniors Visiting Society**
- \$500.00 — to **NRGH Foundation, Equipment for Life**
- \$500.00 — to **Bursary for one Post-Secondary student**
- \$1,000.00 — to **St. Vincent de Paul Society, Nanaimo.**
- \$899.25 — to **Pennies for Heaven**

To accomplish this again, we must always keep in mind that charity does not consist of donations of money alone, but also a kindly heart and willing hands! To that end, if you have not already done so, we urge you to step forward and help your council sell tickets. Please, be prepared to give your name to Bro. Tony at the November meeting, or contact him at **250-754-3146** or tibucar@gmail.com Remember, your council is only as good as you and I make it, and its success depends on each one of us! Thank you Brothers!

REMINDER

1. State has released the 2017/2018 schedule of the travelling icon for the **Family Hour of Prayer**. This year the icon will again be that of the **Holy Family** and will be at St. Peter's Church on **Dec. 29, 2017—Jan. 9, 2018**. The specific time of the 'Hour of Prayer' has yet to be set. Further details will be announced as soon as they become available!
2. On Nov. 11, members of the 4th Degree Honour Guard will participate in the annual **Remembrance Day** parade and celebrations at the Lantzville cenotaph. We invite all members and their families to join them in honouring our fallen war heroes
3. **The Father Michael McGivney Guild**. All members and their families are urged to join the Guild to advance the beatification process of our founder. It's free and it's very easy! Just go and see our website at <https://www.kofc3842.com/guild> for full details and application form.
4. Please pray for all who are sick especially: Bros. **Rich Pistone, Peter Gibb, Dwain Ingram, Ben Denommé, Curly Greene, Pat O'Keefe, George Ives, Ted Kelly, James Wolfgang**, and **Penny**, wife of Bro.. **Philip Fratpietro**. Also, keep in your prayers all who have passed away, especially our brother Knights, **Rene Marchand, Angelo Petraroia** and **Curly Greene**.

In Memoriam



It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of two of our Brothers.

On Monday, Oct. 23, 2017, at the age of 86, our Brother **Angelo Petraroia** passed away in Nanaimo General Hospital. Bro. Angelo joined our Order and Council in Sept. 2003, and received the honours of the 2nd & 3rd Degrees in 2004. Angelo's happy and joyful disposition endeared him to everyone he met. He faithfully served on our 1st Degree Team, as usher at Sunday mass, at our Sunday & school breakfasts, and was always there with his lawnmower when it was time to do the cemetery.

Surrounded by his family, Bro. **Eugene "Curly" Greene** died peacefully on Oct. 29, 2017 at the age of 93. Bro. Curly joined our Order **55 years ago**, in 1962, and received the honours of the 4th Degree in 1990. For all these years he was a true gentleman, a proud Knight, and a great example of true Knighthood! He was a pillar of our Council serving in numerous executive offices, including G.K.; served as Charity Appeal chairman for many years; was District Deputy; and, always helped with pancake breakfasts and any other project that might arise.

And so, it is with heavy hearts that we now take leave from our Brothers. We will miss them both greatly! We pray for them and offer our deepest sympathy to Angelo's wife **Maria**, and both the Petraroia and Greene families.

May they Rest in Peace.

News bytes.....

- Please remember, our annual **Necrology Mass** for deceased brother Knights of both Nanaimo Councils and Assembly has been scheduled for **Thursday, Nov. 2, 2017** at 6:00 pm at Trinity Church. We urge all members to make a special effort to set aside this hour to honour and pray for our departed brothers.
- On Sunday, **Nov. 26, 2017**, we will be helping **Country Club Mall** with its annual fundraiser for the **Nanaimo Child Development Centre**. If you are able to help, call Bro. **Claude Francoeur** at 250-754-2425.
- As in past years, our council and the **C.W.L.** will hold our joint **Annual Christmas Party on Saturday Dec. 9, 2017** in St. Peter's Church hall. The event will begin with a happy-hour at about 6:00 p.m., followed by a pot-luck supper, a sing-song, and some games. All members and their spouses are cordially invited and urged to attend.
- The annual Christmas dinner for **4th Degree Members & spouses** will be on Saturday, **Dec, 16, 2017** at 7:00 pm at Trinity Centre. Contact F.N. **Al Schickerowsky** (250-753-7813—schickerowskyj@shaw.ca)

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