

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

Yvan Gosselin
Rick Saby
David Johner
Stan Michniak

Brian King
George Ives
Luu Vu

Pat O'Keefe
Ernani Serrano
Joe Dumas
George Martin

Charity Appeal Drive

We are now in the home stretch of our **Charity Appeal Drive!** We have a total of 900 books to sell. Of these, about 850 are currently out, and to date, we have sold some 750-800 books. Bro. **Dan DePape** extends his very sincere gratitude to all Brothers who are continuing to help him make this drive so successful — in spite of the sometimes slow and disappointing sales. Thank you Brothers!

Christmas Hampers Delivered

The **St. Vincent de Paul Society of Nanaimo**, once again held its annual Christmas hamper project last month. Dozen of Knights, and in many cases their families, helped package the hampers, labeled them, setting up deliveries, and then actually made deliveries throughout our community. A big "Thank you" goes out to all our Brothers who came out to help and worked on this project in any way. A very special thanks, however, goes to Bro. **Parker Okano** for being the KofC liaison, for calling and getting our members out, and for organizing the deliveries with such efficiency. Thank you all; a job well done!

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pump on Jan. 11. We salute and thank the following community organizations and their representatives who have so generously contributed toward this project: **Rotary Lantzville (Bernie Podlubny), Legion Branch #256 (Dick Stasuik), Cedar Lions (Sid Roemer), Nanaimo Lions (Wayne Harris), Lioness Club (Doreen Edlen), Knights of Columbus Council #9990 (Jim Loftus), and Knights of Columbus Council #3842 (Vince Cooke)**

On the Lighter Side

- One day a father was driving with his four year old daughter and beeped his car horn by mistake. She turned and looked at him for an explanation. He said, "I did that by accident." She replied, "I know that, Daddy." Surprised he replied, "How'd you know that? The little girl said, "Because you didn't say 'Jerk' afterwards."
- A very dirty little boy came in from playing in the yard and asked his mother, "Who am I?" Ready to play the game, she said, "I don't know! Who are you?" "Wow!" cried the boy. "Mrs. Johnson was right! She said I was so dirty, my own mom wouldn't recognize me!"
- Is it better to be single or married? Ann, age 8, answers: "Girls can be single but not boys. Boys need someone to clean up after them."



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Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Aug.-May) 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 2005/2006

Grand Knight	Vince Cooke	756-9473
Past Grand Knight	Rene Marchand	753-1657
Chaplain	Fr. Darek Zarebski	753-3570
Deputy Grand Knight	Brian King	751-7851
Chancellor	Bill Smith, Sr.	756-6141
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Lecturer	Claude Francoeur	754-2425
Advocate	Daniel DePape	740-2521
Warden	Rawley Morales	754-4809
Inside Guard	Brian Heffernan	753-0701
Outside Guard	Mike Loos	716-5893
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Trustee 2nd Year	Leo Poirier	390-3272
Trustee 1st Year		

A happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!



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Grand Knight's Greetings

Dear Brother Knights,

As we begin a New Year, I wish to say 'Thank You' to all our members for your support and help in the many activities that our council has been involved in during the past year. We welcome the New Year and hope that you will continue to work in making our community a better place for all. To all our Brothers and their families, may I and my wife **Gerrie** wish you a very happy, prosperous, and above all, a healthy New Year.

Sincerely,

Vince Cooke, Grand Knight.

Pancake Breakfast at Georgia Avenue & Bayview schools

As planned, two pancake breakfasts were held at two of our needy schools. On Dec. 8, and Dec. 16, 2005 we were at Georgia Avenue and Bayview schools respectively. Seven Bro. Knights worked at each event. **Claude Francoeur, Brian King, Leo Poirier, Dan DePape** and **Hans Fadum** were at both events. In addition, **Joe Walker & Rick Jones** helped at the Georgia Avenue breakfast and **Curly Greene & Bill Smith, Sr.** pitched in for the Bayview School event. We arrived at 6:00 a.m. on these two cold winter mornings to set up and get everything ready. By 8:00 a.m. the first students **WE DID IT!** arrived, and before long the entire gymnasiums were filled. The hot, delicious pancakes and sausages were just the right antidote to the cold winter days outside, and helped to transform the inside of the schools to places of laughter, warmth and happiness. We were very pleased to have been able to serve well over 500 children, parents and teachers at the Georgia Avenue breakfast, and some 250-300 at the Bayview School event. These were by far the largest number for any of our breakfasts. Even Santa came and had breakfast with us! These were extremely gratifying experiences for all the Brothers involved, especially the realization that they had made a real difference in the lives of these children. Well done Brothers and our sincere thanks.

REMINDER

1) **Father Brabant Assembly**, Victoria, will host its 30th Annual International Night and exemplification on March 25, 2006. Please, call S.K. **Michael Wingerter** (250-656-4961) for tickets or further information.

2) Remember in your prayers all our departed brothers; all those who are sick, especially our G.K. **Vince Cooke**, Bros. **Joe Bailey** and **Norm Carriere**, and **Kathie Campbell**, wife of Bro. **Ed Campbell**.

3) Please contact Br. **Hans Fadum** at kc3842@shaw.ca if you have an email address & wish to, but presently don't, receive this bulletin via email

4) Please remember the Knights of Columbus (B.C.) Charity Foundation's (Corpus Fund) continued efforts to raise awareness & funds. For any questions or info., contact Bro. **Marcel Fillion** at: mpfillion@shaw.ca or see our website at <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842/information.htm>

5) A reminder that membership dues for 2006 are now due. Payments may be made at the meeting or by mail to the F.S., **Parker Okano**.

Jessica's new life

Under the leadership of our council, and more specifically, Bro. **Claude Francoeur**, and with the cooperation and goodwill of six other service clubs in the area, we were able to provide **Jessica Hamel** with an automatic diabetes injection pump. Presently, Jessica needs to inject herself with insulin five to six times a day. As a teenager of 13 years, this process proves to be a difficult and painful daily routine. With the help of the new pump, all the drudgery, the vigilance, and constant



concern of injecting oneself with the right amount, at the right time, will be eliminated. The pump will monitor and dispense all necessary insulin as and when needed—and without the pain and worry. It will greatly enhance Jessica's lifestyle and enable her to live a normal teenage life. Jessica will begin a special training session on the proper use of the

*Pictured above (l to r): D.G.K. **Brian King**, Jessica, Jessica's mom, **Deanna**, and Bro. **Claude Francoeur***

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News bytes.....

- The **Catholic Women's League** Sunday will be held on Jan. 29th at both masses at St.Peter's. The ladies will participate in all aspects of the liturgy, including the collections, and will provide refreshments in the church hall after both masses.
- There will be a Major Degree Exemplification on Saturday, April 8, 2006 in Comox. We urge all our first degree members to consider becoming Third Degree Knights. Please, contact our **D.G.K. Brian King** (751-7851) for full details and banquet tickets.
- A First Degree is planned for Jan.16, 2006 in Port Alberni.