

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

Aurele LaRochele
Duc Pham
James Court

Rev. Jim Sheppard
Jack Kelly
Gerard LeChasseur
Ferdinand Gonzales

Ed Stumborg
Angelo Petraroia
Louis Duhamel

Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities

On January 15, 2006, the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities was submitted to the State and District deputies. This report consists of a list of all the activities our Council was involved in, the number of hours volunteered throughout the past year, total council activity expenses, and total charitable (church, community/need, youth) disbursements.

Here is a brief summary of those disbursements: a) Church: \$1000; b) community/need: \$6900; c) youth: \$4950; for a total charitable disbursement of \$12850. In addition, we also spent a total of \$1358 on council activities. The number of hours dedicated to volunteer and fraternal service were as follows: 201 hours of fraternal activities, and an estimated 4458 hours of volunteer charitable service.

Congratulations and a sincere thank you to all the brothers who participated and volunteered throughout the past year in any and all of our activities. You are an example of what the Knights are all about; a living proof that by volunteering we can make a difference both in the parish and the larger community. Our thanks also goes out to our Financial Secretary, Bro. **Parker Okano** for supplying all the financial information, and to Bro. **Rawley Morales** for collecting the volunteer statistics—thank you; your work is greatly appreciated.

On the Lighter Side

Once upon a time the Canadian Government had a vast scrap yard. The Government said, "Someone may steal from the scrap yard at night." So it created a night watchman position and hired a person for the job. Then the Government said, "How can the watchman do his job without instruction?" So it created a Planning Department and hired two people; one person to write the job description and one person to do time studies. Then the Government said, "How will we know the night watchman is performing the tasks correctly?" So it created a Quality Control Department and hired two people; one to do the studies and one to write the reports. Then the Government said, "How are these people going to get paid?" So it created the following positions: a Time Keeper and a Payroll Officer; then hired two more people to assist. Then the Government said "Who will be accountable for all of these people?" So it created an Administrative Section and hired three people: an Administrative Officer, an Assistant Administrative Officer and a Legal Secretary. Then the Government said, "We have had this organization in operation for only one year and we are \$1,180,000 over budget; we must cut back our costs." So it laid off the night watchman.



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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
Recorder	David Haworth	741-8253
Financial Secretary	Parker Okano	753-5115
Treasurer	Rick Jones	756-3038
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
Trustee 3rd Year	Bob Poulin	756-6695
Trustee 2nd Year	Leo Poirier	390-3272
Trustee 1st Year		

All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism

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Charity Appeal Drive

Our Charity Appeal ticket sales have now been completed. We were able to sell **878** out of a total allotment of 1100 books this year! What an incredible effort by our council! Even though we sold 51 more books last year, this year's sales were still very impressive and have been a terrific success—especially in view of who sold the 5th winning ticket!!! (See '**Charity Appeal winners**' on the next page.)

It was a long, hard sell! Tickets sold very slowly; partly due to the economic times and possibly due to some 'charity-giving fatigue'. However, we were very fortunate to have had the use of, and a great location within, the busiest mall in town. For the last three months twenty-seven members of our Council **WE DID IT!** spent countless hours selling tickets in our two locations, from early in the morning until late at night, seven days a week! Our four top sellers this year were Bros. **Hans Fadum**, 95 books, **Curly Greene**, 89 books, and **Dan DePape & Rene Marchand**, 81 books each. What a fantastic accomplishment, especially considering that we were not able to sell for a whole week in our favourite mall. Our most hearty 'thank you' to all the Brothers who stepped forward, volunteered and gave so generously of their time. Above all else, we especially acknowledge and thank Bro. **Dan DePape** for so efficiently organizing and managing the whole project; for getting the Brothers out to sell when discouragement set in; and, for putting in more hours, by far, than any one else. Thank you!

Finally, we gratefully acknowledge and thank the management of **Port Place** and **Country Club** malls for providing us with space in their malls. Further more, we also extend our appreciation to **Tom Harris Chevrolet** and **Nanaimo Chrysler** for making their vehicles available to us. Without their generous support we could never have accomplished what we did!

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) 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.

3) 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**.

4) 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

5) 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>

6) 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**.

District Deputy's report

My Brother Knights,

May Christ's love touch and bless you and your families in 2006 and beyond.

Here are just a couple of quick reminders. Firstly, the fraternal year is more than half over. How quickly time flies; it seems to go by faster every year. It is time to start thinking about the election of next year's executive. Set up your Nominating Committees soon and have them present a slate of officers for the coming year. Please, as soon as you have had your elections get in touch with me and book your date for the installation of officers.

Secondly, it is time to organize your Spring Recruitment blitzes. A number of the councils in District #21 are close to their membership goals and with a little work we can push those councils over the top. Remember if I can be of any assistance with your open houses or other recruiting functions, please let me know. I will be more than happy to help in any way I can. Remember that our Worthy Field Agent, Marcel Casavant, is available and is eager to assist you in any way he can. Please give him plenty of notice so he can arrange his busy schedule to accommodate your needs. Let's make this the best year ever.

Remember the Major Degrees coming on Saturday April 8, 2006 in Comox and the rescheduled one for Victoria on Saturday June 3, 2006. Please contact your First Degree members and have them set aside one of these two dates, so they can continue their journey toward full Knighthood.

May God bless us all as we work toward a better future for all peoples.

Vivat Jesus,

Fraternally in Christ,

Bob Powell, D.D. #21

Charity Appeal winners!

Congratulations to all this year's winners! The 4th place winning ticket was sold by Trinity, and we sold the 5th place winning ticket!!!

1st	DodgeQuad Cab 4x4Truck	Kari Caboto	Vancouver
2nd	Chrysler 300	Chung Ma	Aldergrove
3rd	Chevrolet Uplander Minivan	Betty Tucker	Courtenay
4th	Ford Focus	Debbie Dodsworth	Nanaimo
5th	Chevrolet Optra	M. MacDonald	Nanaimo

News bytes.....

- Our bother Council, **Holy Trinity #9990**, will be holding it 4th Annual **Mardi Gras** celebrations on Feb. 25, 2005 at Trinity Centre. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with Happy Hour from 6:30-7:30, dinner at 7:30 and dancing from 9:00 to midnight. Tickets are \$17.50 each. There will be a silent auction and door & costume prices. All Brothers and their spouses are cordially invited to join in the fun. For tickets or further information, call Bro. **Al Schickerowsky** at 753-7813.