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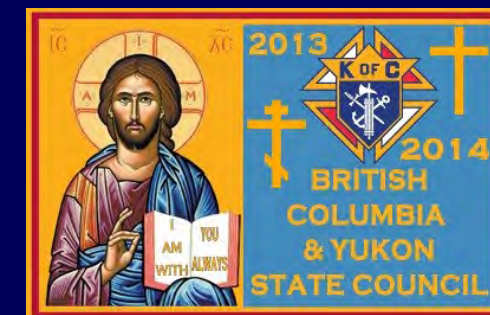
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Edward Shawchuk

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory Forever!

This is a traditional greeting among Ukrainian Catholics and I am pleased to be able to use it to welcome all of you to this new Fraternal Year. The summer has gone by very quickly and it has been a wonderful time.

I was pleased to be able to lead our delegation to the Supreme Convention in San Antonio this year. The highlight for me of this year's Convention, and there were many, would have to be the Masses. It is a very uplifting time for any Knight of Columbus to see 7 Cardinals, almost 100 Bishops and Archbishops as well as almost 100 priests take time from their ministries and to travel from far and wide to celebrate the Eucharist with us. That these men have such an interest in our Order to make this effort is an inspiration to us and should be an example that all members strive to emulate.

We were blessed again this year to have one of our own come to the Convention as a guest of the Supreme Council. Brother Edgardo Panes, District Deputy #23 and his wife Maribeth were chosen from among the District Deputies who attained Star District this year to come to the Convention.

Brother Ed's trip to San Antonio is a reminder to all of us that the incentives offered by the Supreme Council are attainable if we make a concerted effort.

Although the Supreme Knight didn't mention the per capita donations in his address this year, BC & Yukon was again at the top of the list with per capita contributions of around \$290 per member. I have said it many times and I'll say it again, "in my opinion, the Knights of Columbus in British Columbia & Yukon are the best Knights in the entire Order". Period.

During the summer, the State Council lost a dear friend and a great supporter. Lady Val Wilmot left us on July 7 after a long and courageous struggle with cancer and we will miss her dearly. Please continue to pray for our Worthy Immediate Past State Deputy, Brother Wil and for his family as they deal with this loss.

The Regional Seminars have already begun for this fall. The State Treasurer and State Advocate travelled with me to Chetwynd and Prince George earlier this month. We met with the members there and had an informative and lively discussion about their Districts. Brothers Michael and Ming, as well as I, learned a great deal from the members in these remote areas.

Brother Arcie joined us in Kamloops for another productive meeting. The meetings are open to all members and I would love to see as many men as possible attend. The format this year is an open meeting where I will ask for input and feedback from the members who attend. Please come out and let your voice be heard.

We have much to do this fall. The Archdiocese of Vancouver has another installment of "Be a Man" coming up on October 5. The last event was really good and I would encourage every Catholic man to make the time to attend. You will have a great day. Details can be found on the Archdiocese website at www.rcav.bc.ca.

We also need to turn our minds to the work of the Order as the fall quickly comes upon us. Our membership intake numbers are behind and I urge each Knight to share their experience in the Knights of Columbus with another Catholic man and his family. Our suspensions are much higher than normal this year too. Please make sure that every member, and his family, is invited to attend every Council function. Retention is every member's business and we can never do too much to ensure that we remain connected with our Brothers.

I am looking forward to the coming Fraternal Year and I am confident that we will have a tremendous year. I am committed to do whatever I can to assist each Council to be successful in reaching their goals for programs and membership.

I welcome you to follow me on twitter - @edshawchuk to see what your State Deputy has been up to.

Vivat Jesus,

Edward Shawchuk
State Deputy
"One Member, Per Council,
Per Month"



Department of Membership Growth
Supreme Council - Knights of Columbus



B. Dan O'Hara, PSD

NEWS FLASH.....

The Knights of Columbus has expanded into two other countries as we welcome UKRAINE and LITHUANIA into the Order.

Be protectors of God's gifts ...

Is this year's new theme as outlined by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson at the 131th Annual General Meeting held in San Antonio, Texas August 6 -8, 2013. There is much we have to be proud of as an Order and it is incumbent upon each of us to tell our great story of service, salvation and our Church.

I would encourage each of you to read the latest news from San Antonio, including all the talks and homilies from our Hierarchy that can be found at this link, along with the Supreme Knights report:

<http://www.kofc.org/un/en/conv/2013/insider/>

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In the opening Mass homily of Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller of San Antonio, he stated that Pope Francis recently reminded us that "the Church is mother and her motherly attention is expressed with special tenderness and closeness..."

I began then to reflect on the qualities of "motherhood" – kindness, compassion, unconditional love, sensitivity and tenderness to name only a few. As the Church is our Mother and we make up the body of the Church, just as we make up the body of our Councils, should our councils therefore not behave in a "motherly" way towards its members?

Does your council treat its members with kindness, compassion, tenderness? Are we sensitive to the needs of our members or are we too quick to judge and label, contrary to the unconditional love a mother offers her children, contrary to the unconditional love our Holy Mother and our church provide to us? Perhaps as we prepare ourselves to "Be Protectors of God's gifts", it is time to examine the way in which our councils operate and ensure that we truly practice the great gift of our Fraternity. With our Mother Mary on our side, what challenges can we not accomplish?

>Continue to Develop a plan of action to achieve the programs you hope to accomplish this year, as well as formulate a plan to achieve your membership goals.
>Recruit at least one new member this month.
>Hold at least one first degree this month.
>Plans for the Fall membership drive, including training of the membership team, should be well underway.

In Loving Memory Of



Val Wilmot
March 1, 1947 ~ July 7, 2013



His Excellency Most Reverend Bishop Richard Gagnon, Bishop of Victoria and Principal Celebrant of the Mass.

Concelebrant, Reverend Paul Szczur, Pastor of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish



A Tribute to Lady Val Wilmot

By: State Deputy Edward Shawchuk

On July 7, 2013, the British Columbia and Yukon State Council lost a dear friend. Lady Val Wilmot fell asleep in the Lord.

Val battled very courageously with cancer for several years and her quiet struggle was an inspiration to all those around her.

Val offered a witness to the dignity of every human life and she showed that we need to continue our efforts to defend life in all its stages.

Val was honoured at her funeral by several of her sorority sisters.



The emblem of her sorority is the yellow rose. This particular rose is a symbol of friendship and joy. Val brought both of those qualities to life in her interactions with all of us.

She was always quick to smile and she had a keen sense of humour that brought joy wherever she went. Val was also a very good friend to many of us.

While Val is no longer with us here, we remain confident that we will rejoin her some day in heaven and we are comforted in the knowledge that she is praying for us with all of the angels and saints.

Please keep our Immediate Past State Deputy, Brother Wil along with all of his family in your prayers and ask God to grant them Grace and strength to adjust to this loss.

May God grant her eternal rest.



Lady Val's LAST State Convention with the State Executive Ladies.



State Secretary Arcie Jose Lim
on First Reading of Liturgical



State Treasurer Michael Gernat and wife, Deb reading
Messages of Sympathy from Clergies and Dignitaries
from the Supreme Office and various State Councils in Canada.



State Deputy Edward Shawchuk
on Second Reading of Liturgical



Front Row : Wilmot Family and Past State Deputy Michael Yeo as one of the Pall Bearers.
Also shown are State Deputy Edward Shawchuk and State Secretary Arcie Lim.



The Family of the late Lady Val Wilmot

Center photo: IP State Deputy Wil Wilmot joined by his two sons , daughters-in-law and grandchildren.



The tremendous number of cards, emails, prayers and expressions of condolences received have been both appreciated and somewhat overwhelming. These tributes to Val speak volumes about her kindness, warmth and great courage. We find it difficult to convey our appreciation and gratitude to each Council, Assembly, Knight and his family who have remembered us, so through this message we would offer our acknowledgement and extend our thanks . We also thank the many Knights and families who joined us for Val's funeral.

Thank you and may God bless you all.

Fraternally,

Wil, Jason, Stephen and Families



For 38th consecutive year, A.M. Best reaffirms top A++ rating for Knights of Columbus

No North American insurer more highly rated

For the 38th consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus has earned A.M. Best's highest financial strength rating, A++ (Superior).

Established in 1882 as a fraternal benefit society, the Knights of Columbus has worked since its inception to help members protect their families' financial futures. What began as a "pass-the-hat" benefit program has grown into one of the nation's premier insurers. The K of C now offers a diverse portfolio of permanent and term life insurance, disability income insurance, annuities, and long-term care programs to members and their immediate families.

In addition to the Knights of Columbus' strong market presence in Catholic communities in the United States and Canada, A.M. Best, a global leader in the rating and analysis of insurance companies, also cited the Order's large network of local councils and "consistently positive statutory ratings, excellent persistency and a solid level of risk-adjusted capitalizations" as positive ratings factors.

The report also observed that the Knights of Columbus' continued growth in membership reflects its wide geographic coverage, expanding network of local councils, and variety of fraternal benefits.

"Earning A.M. Best's top rating again this year underscores the strength of our sustainable business model, despite the slow recovery and continued economic uncertainty," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "We have continued to outpace the industry, reflecting a growing flight to quality."

He added: "A.M. Best's top rating for almost four decades is a testament to our commitment to our mission of protecting Catholic families, our excellent sales force made up exclusively of members of the Knights of Columbus, and the fact that we view our members as part of our family."

In just over a decade, under Supreme Knight Anderson's leadership, the Knights of Columbus insurance in force has doubled to more than \$90 billion, with more than \$19.8 billion in assets under management.

Source: Supreme Council Website



Richard Lee Wah
General Agent
Knights of Columbus
British Columbia and Yukon State Council

A founding notion: Protecting the Breadwinner's Income

While jobs are safer in 2013, accidents, injuries, and illnesses that can impact your ability to work still happen. Most, in fact, do not happen on the jobsite or place of employment. Did you know that a 2011 study revealed that more than 95 percent of the long-term disability claims on file were not work related?

The "loss" of the breadwinner does not have to mean that person's death; it can also mean the loss of the breadwinner's income. Consider that loss for a moment. How would your family fare if a source of income suddenly stopped? Could a dual-income family manage on one income stream? What about young families with a working father and a mother who cares for the children? What if his income halted due to an accident or illness?

I've heard some people say they have coverage at work, but too many aren't sure what this coverage entails, how much income it would provide or for how long. Having this protection counts for something, certainly, but it isn't "yours"; it's provided by the company for which you work at their discretion. It could be eliminated tomorrow.

That's where a personally-owned disability income insurance product, like Income Armor, comes into play. It can offer valuable income replacement in the event of an injury or illness. While Father McGivney likely never imagined such a product in 1882, I'm sure he would wholeheartedly endorse the protection it can provide to a family. If you have a job, you must know about this coverage.

Call your Field Agent today. You owe it to your family.

Vivat Jesus!

Richard Lee Wah
General Agent

COMING
SOON

NEW State Council Website



Patrick Schafli
State Webmaster
Knights of Columbus
British Columbia and Yukon State Council

Brothers, the construction of a new State website is proceeding apace!

While a very substantial amount of work remains before we can consider it to be close to complete, or as close as these things ever are to being "complete", we are far enough along now to warrant disclosing the location of the site since all new event notices are now being posted there, even though it remains a work in progress.

A major "new" feature is the menu available on every page, so that visitors can navigate quickly from one section of the site to another. Currently, we are attempting to describe each of our many programs for the benefit of our visitors, both brother Knights, prospective members, and the public at large, and you will find that hovering over the menu items displays a drop down menu linking to related pages.

Need to print just one degree notice? You can do that now – follow the menu options through Events to Degrees, scroll down to the item of interest, and click the blue heading to display the posting in it's own page, and print.

You can reach the new website at <http://kofc.vc.bc.ca>

Very soon, perhaps by the time you read this report, <http://www.kofcbc.org> will also take you to that location instead of to the old site. You can still reach the old site at <http://vcn/bc.ca/kofc> and for a time, it may be necessary to still use that site as there is some content – links, documents, the State Directory, etc., which is still to be set up in the new location.

Building the new site has been, and remains a significant learning experience, with many, many challenges. But, the Knights promised the "Experience of a Lifetime", and it's wonderful to be able to work with so many fine Brother Knights to contribute even in a relatively small way to each of the many projects and programs which together make us what we are!

Vivat Jesus !

Patrick Schafli
State Webmaster
British Columbia and Yukon State Council



"I am with you always"
Matt 28:20

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British Columbia & Yukon State Council

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Fraternity
Patriotism*

Family of the Month

Our family of the month and year awards go to council or parish families considered to exemplify the values taught by our Church and our Order. We recognize here the Family of the Year for the past fraternal year, and the family of the month in the current year, chosen from submissions by the councils ...read more

Contact Us

Knight of the Month

Family of the Month

"Tootsie Roll Drive"

Welcome to the Knights of Columbus in British Columbia and the Yukon.

On this site, you can learn more about the Knights of Columbus, and if you're not already a member, we hope you might be inspired to contact a local council and explore with them "the Experience of a Lifetime!"

For members, we hope that you will find this a convenient "meeting" place to both share and find information pertinent to your circle, council, district or assembly, and the many wonderful programs and events being undertaken by you fellow Knights.

Men at Work!

This web site is still under construction and may undergo

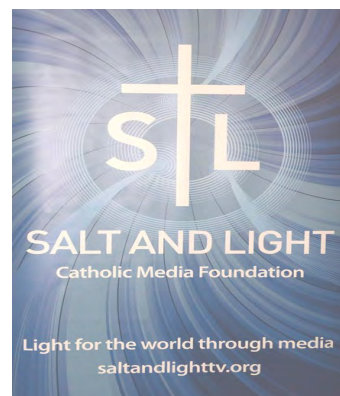
Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Foundation

joins in celebration of the

10th Year Anniversary Salt and Light Catholic Media Network



His Excellency J. Michael Miller, CSB
Archbishop of Vancouver



Reverend Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB
Chief Executive Officer
Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation



Archdiocese of Vancouver celebrates the 10th Year Anniversary of Salt and Light, Canada's only national Catholic television network which is now broadcasting across North America for the first time on the Shaw Direct satellite.

The **'TASTE and SEE'** Fundraising Auction and Dinner held in September 6, 2013 at the Italian Cultural Center in Vancouver, B.C. was aimed at funding the Salt and Light and its satellite service, which is a very costly undertaking. In addition to reaching more Canadians, including more remote areas, the satellite signal extends to all of North America, including the United States and Mexico.



L-R: State Communications Edgar Ursua and wife Priscilla, State Advocate Ming Lau and wife Marianne, Bishop Ken Nowakowski, State Deputy Edward Shawchuk and wife Sandra, Past State Deputy Michael Yeo and wife Glynis and State Secretary Arcie J. Lim.



L-R: State Secretary Arcie J. Lim, State Advocate Ming Lau, Rev. Fr. Thomas Rosica, State Deputy Edward Shawchuk, Archbishop J. Michael Miller, Past State Deputy Michael Yeo and State Communications Edgar C. Ursua



L-R: State Communications Edgar Ursua, State Advocate Ming and Marianne Lau, Bishop Ken Nowakowski, State Deputy Edward and Sandra Shawchuk, State Secretary Arcie J. Lim and Past State Deputy Michael and Glynis Yeo. (Not in Photo Mrs. Priscilla Ursua)



Edgar and Priscilla
URSUA



Bishop Ken Nowakowski with
Ed and Sandra SHAWCHUK



Ming and Marianne
LAU



The Opening Mass

The 131st Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus began with Opening Mass, presided by Most. Reverend Gustavo Garcia-Siller, M.Sp.S., Archbishop of San Antonio., Texas.



**Most Reverend
Richard Gagnon
Bishop of Victoria
British Columbia**



**Most Reverend
Ken Nowakowski,
Bishop of New Westminster
British Columbia**



The Opening Ceremony



Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson at the Opening Ceremony during the 131st Supreme Convention held at San Antonio , Texas, August 6 to 8, 2013. Delegates from the British Columbia and Yukon State Council led by State Deputy Edward Shawchuk and the State Board Executives represented the BC & Yukon jurisdiction.



The States Banquet

JW Marriott Grand Oaks Ballroom
San Antonio Texas
August 6, 2013



State Executive Officers



State Executive Ladies



BC and Yukon Delegates and Guests



Deputy Supreme Knight Dennis Savoie presenting to District Deputy #23 Sir Knight Edgardo Panes the **Star District Award** during the 131st Supreme Convention held at San Antonio, Texas last August 7, 2013

Star District

District Deputies are responsible for ensuring the growth of the Order, and the attainment of Star District status is their ultimate goal. The Star District Award is presented to District Deputies attaining 100 percent or more of their district's membership and insurance quotas.

A total of 450 district deputies qualified for the Star District Award during the 2012-2013 fraternal year.

The District Deputies who attained Star District status during the fraternal year were entered into a drawing for one of four trips to the Supreme Convention. This year's representatives are:

Timothy A. Helbling	District 10 Louisiana
Edgardo R. Panes	District 23 British Columbia
Angel Hernandez	District 44 Florida
John C. Sprouse	District 51 Ohio



6th Annual British Columbia and Yukon
State Council
Golf Tournament



Team Low Gross Champion goes to Past State Deputy Brother Dave Jones, Tracy Thompson, Deb Gernat and State Treasurer Brother Michael Gernat. Also in the picture are Marguerite Stickland and Jeff Stickland. Tracy Thompson won the **Ladies Longest Drive** contest and Deb Gernat won the **KP for the LADIES**.



State Secretary
Arcie Lim

State Deputy
Ed Shawchuk



State Treasurer
Michael Gernat

State Secretary
Arcie Lim



District 7 – Port Coquitlam Council 9125 hosted the 6th Annual State Golf Tournament held at Golden Eagle

Golf Course in Pitt Meadows, B.C. in July 20, 2013. The event was spearheaded by Past State Deputy Brother Terry Kidwell and members of Council 9125. It was a very successful and well organized event followed by dinner and award reception at the Assumption Centre in Port Coquitlam. It was a fun filled event attended and participated by State Deputy Brother Edward-Shawchuk, State Secretary Brother Arcie Lim, State Treasurer Brother Michael Gernat. Also in attendance were Past State Deputies, Brother Terry Kidwell, Brother Dave Jones and Brother Michael Yeo. Other State Executives and their wives joined for dinner at the end of the tournament.

Congratulations to the winners. The Foursome of Brother Dave Jones, Tracy Thompson, Brother Michael Gernat and his wife Deb Gernat took the Low Gross Team award. Anthony Sprovieri took the Men's Longest Drive and Men's KP. Winners for the ladies were Tracy Thompson for her Longest Drive and Deb Gernat for Ladies KP.

The host council took the challenge in hosting this event on a short notice with a positive attitude. They were very optimistic that in spite of some challenges in recruiting players they felt that this event will be a success, and I am very proud to say that they did great.

(by: District Deputy # 7 Brother Jolly Rabaya)



Silver Rose Run



One Life, One Rose...

Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Run

Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Run – One Life, One Rose

Since March 1, 2013, five Silver Roses have been making their way across North America, from Canada to the United States to Mexico. The 2013 Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose - One Life, One Rose Program concludes on Dec. 12, 2013, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico.

2013 marks the 53rd year of the program which began in 1960 as a project of the Columbian Squires of North America to honor the Blessed Virgin under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. The program has continued since then as a project of Squires Circles, councils and Fourth Degree assemblies in several jurisdictions.

In 2001 Supreme Knight Carl Anderson expanded the program by beginning the "Running of the Rose" from the 119th Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council in Toronto. "Through it we honor not only Our Lady of Guadalupe and express the unity of the Order, but we also reaffirm the Order's dedication to the sanctity of human life. It is to the Blessed Mother that we turn in prayer as we work to end the Culture of Death that grips our society.



Handover Ceremony of Silver Rose by State Deputy Edward Shawchuk on July 21, 2013 from British Columbia, Canada to Washington State, USA (Ceremony at Christina Lake, Grand Forks)

As we think in terms of 'One Life, One Rose,' it is most appropriate that we turn to Our Lady of Guadalupe who made known her will through Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses."

Today five Silver Roses travel through North America exemplifying Knights of Columbus devotion to Our Lady and commitment to the Culture of Life.

One Rose begins its journey in Ontario moving through the central United States. A **second Rose** starts its route in Manitoba, moving westward to British Columbia and then down the Pacific coast through California before turning eastward to Arizona and New Mexico.

The third Rose moves from Connecticut, through the eastern United States and **the fourth Rose** begins in Virginia moving south through Florida and then turning westward along the Gulf Coast.

The fifth route is new in 2013. It covers the New England states, beginning in Maine and moving through New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and ending in Connecticut. Unlike the other Roses, the New England Rose will not travel to Texas. It will end its journey on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dec. 12, 2013, at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, birth place of the Knights of Columbus

District 23

Second Degree Team

By: Kim Ng, PGK, FDD #23
1st and 2nd Degree Team Captain



The idea of forming a second degree team had been broached now and then to first degree team members in Richmond who had seen their first degree team works flourishing successfully in Richmond. The running of the first degrees by Archbishop Duke council 6855 had for some time been on a scheduled basis and it seem appropriate that we have a second degree team to complement this.

The thought of forming a second degree team laid dormant for awhile but was spurred on when it became known that major degrees which consisted of 2nd and 3rd on the same day degrees would be split into 2nd and 3rd degrees conducted at different times to cut down expenses and length of time. Meetings were held last year (2012) with joint Richmond council members. By the 3rd meeting we had sufficient members from councils 6855, 10681 and 12861 to form at least two second degree teams with the possibility of a 3rd second degree team. Second degree ceremonial materials were obtained from State Ceremonial Chairman, Marcel Fillion PSD and the practices and memorization went full swing.

We had all in 3 practices with the teams which consisted of:

Team 1:

Kim Ng
Philip Barnwell
Alberto Nisperos
Edgar Ursua

Team 2:

Stan Leong
Ed Laureta
John Meagher
Kevin Mendonca

Team 3:

Ed Panes
(positions to be filled)

Early in 2013 before we were certified the then State Deputy Wil Wilmot and State Ceremonial Chairman Marcel Fillion PSD called on the team to do second degrees in Prince George (March 23, 2013), Terrace and Smithers (April 6, 2013). As Team #1 was the most conversant it undertook the mission and judging from the reception and comments it passed its maiden tests!

Certification for Team #1 and #2 were granted after Team #1 did a Second Degree at a Major Degree Ceremony in Richmond on April 13, 2013. Team #2 got a certification after doing a Second Degree alone on May 21, 2013 in Richmond.

The long and short of it is that Richmond council members did it and that with a little determination, others can do it too.



Charter Night

St. Pedro Calungsod
Assembly 3400
Vancouver, B.C.

August 3, 2013 St. Mary's Parish Hall



His Excellency Archbishop of Vancouver J. Michael Miller and Master of 4th Degree BC & Yukon Antonio Pimentel presents to Charter Faithful Navigator Gabriel Sta. Maria The Charter for St. Pedro Calungsod Assembly 3400, Vancouver.

Joining them are State Advocate Ming Lau, State Communications Chairman Edgar Ursua, BC & Yukon Field Agent Jose Cabalu.



4th Degree Master Antonio Pimentel at the podium.



L-R Seated: State Vocations Chairman Neil Atwater and wife Mary, State Advocate Ming Lau and wife, Marianne, State Communications Chairman Edgar Ursua and wife, Priscilla
L-R Standing: State Charity Appeal Chairman Henry Li, Faithful Navigator 3400 and DD #4 Gabriel Sta. Maria, 4th Degree Master Antonio Pimentel, Field Agent Jose Cabalu, FDD #20 Peter Siglos, DGK 13072 Andrew Costales, and Faithful Navigator Raymond Siglos



Chartered Members of Pedro Calungsod Assembly 3400 (Vancouver)

poses with His Excellency Archbishop J. Michael Miller, 4th Degree Master Antonio Pimentel, State Advocate Ming Lau

CHURCH Program

Vocation, Pennies for Heaven, Church Activities

Council 4597—District 2
Dr. Briggs Council
Courtenay, B.C.
Grand Knight: Theodore Fortosky
District Deputy: Richard Barton

RSVP - Refund Support Vocations Program



Friday, August 23rd, 2013 was a very happy day for HARRISON AYRE as he was ordained to the Diaconate by His Excellency Bishop Richard Gagnon at Christ The King church in the Comox Valley.

Harrison Ayre is a Brother Knight of Dr. Briggs Council, #4597,



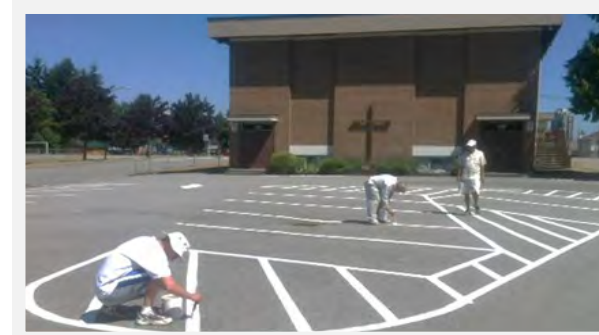
The Knights **Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP)** has been a great incentive for our Council to help Brother Harrison financially on his journey to the priesthood. We will continue to pray for him as he starts the final part of his journey to the priesthood.

CHURCH Program

Vocation, Pennies for Heaven, Church Activities

Council 8853 - District 4
St. Francis De Sales Council
Burnaby, B.C.
Grand Knight: Robert Tan
District Deputy: Gabriel Sta. Maria

Great Job



Members of **Saint Francis de Sales Council 8853, Burnaby B.C.** volunteered at the parish, painting the parking stalls during hot August month. Knights responded and



Members of Saint Francis de Sales Council 8853 with Reverend Fr. Thomas Smith .

CHURCH Program

Vocation, Pennies for Heaven, Church Activities

Council 14652 - District 5
Holy Rosary Cathedral Council
Vancouver, B.C.
Grand Knight: Jacek Walcovicz
District Deputy: Denis Faucher

KNIGHTS...and the 750 Flipping BURGERS



Last Sunday's Parish Picnic was a very happy success. We grilled in the neighborhood of 750 burgers, and we enjoyed the company of a park full of joyful people. A huge "thank you" to the many volunteers that helped with the set-up, the food service, and the clean-up afterwards. And to all who brought something to share at the dessert table, you were so generous.... we had an abundance! The weather was sunny and warm, only out-done by the sunny and warm dispositions of our Cathedral parishioners. Thank you all again for making our annual event such a good experience.

I'm still looking for someone with expertise in dealing with the legal matter of a bequest to the Cathedral. If you can offer any help, please call me.

Have a good week.

Fr. Dion



FAMILY Program

Family Projects, Family Activities, Marian Hour

Council 9990—District 21
Holy Trinity Council
Nanaimo, B.C.
Grand Knight: Richard Pistone
District Deputy: Aurel Muego

Holy Trinity Council NANAIMO FAMILY PICNIC at Grand Knight's Abode



There was an excellent turnout of brothers and wives despite the possibility of rain. Those who decided against attending missed a great social, good food, and a chance to enjoy each other's company.

As always our wives showed their appreciation of a day out and their competitive spirit showed through by their participation in and the judging of the baking competition. They showed off their baking skills and we all sampled too many great deserts.

Mary Barr walked off with the prize but she had lots of really good competition. I suspect there were too many great deserts to judge; for me there were too many to sample. Mary's submission was not only appealing to the taste but to the eyes as well.

FAMILY Program

Family Memorials, Family of the Month

Council 11916—District 23
Canadian Martyrs Council
Richmond, B.C.
Grand Knight: Michael Wong
District Deputy: Edgardo Panes

Canadian Martyrs Council 11916 hosted the District 23 Richmond Councils FAMILY PICNIC

Four Richmond Councils (6855, 10681, 11916 and 12861) joined effort in putting up a Family Picnic hosted by Canadian Martyrs Council 11916 led by Grand Knight Michael Wong last August 11, 2013. Planned to be an outdoor event, due to the weather it was held at St. Monica Parish Center and was attended by Council Members, Spouses and Kids.



Grand Knight 11916 Michael Wong
and IPGK 11916 Albert Quilay



Deputy Grand Knight 11916 Peter Ng



FAMILY Program

Family Activities, Family Projects, Marian Hour

Council 6855 —District 23
Archbishop Duke Council
Richmond, B.C.
Grand Knight: Kevin Mendonca
District Deputy: Edgardo Panes

Across the Border.....Family Camping Light House Marine Park Point Roberts, WA, USA



A great time was had by all when the Knights and their families celebrated the 'KofC Family Week' by participating in the 7th Annual Family Camping held in the weekend of August 16 to 18, 2013.

Among the Council 6855 Members who were present: 4th Degree Master Antonio Pimentel, Faithful Navigator Stan Leong, State PR and Communications Edgar Ursua, GK 6855 Kevin Mendonca, council members and families. **Also present are District Deputy#23 Edgardo Panes and wife, Maribeth.**

Fishing, Crabbing, Tug-of-War, Sack Race, Campfire, Ladies morning walk and a great weather were some of the treats that each one has shared.



COMMUNITY Program

Civic Involvement, Coats for Kids, Food for Families

Ride To Conquer **CANCER**

for the benefit of **BC CANCER FOUNDATION**



District Deputy # 28 and Former Executive Secretary to State Deputy **Brother HERB YANG** together with his **Brother HANSEL YANG**, a Brother Knight from Holy Cross Council 5423 and sister **HEIDI YANG** rode from Vancouver, B.C. to Seattle, WA. last June 15 – 16, 2013 for the benefit of the BC Cancer Foundation.



Council 3842—District 21
Mid Island Council
Nanaimo, B.C.
Grand Knight: Richard Jones
District Deputy: Aurel Muego

Mid Island Council 3842 (Nanaimo) on a **Park Avenue** **FUN DAY fundraiser**

Six(6) of Mid Island Council Brother Knights participated in the Bi-Annual Park Avenue School Fun Day fundraiser.

For 5 hours, **Brothers Dan De Pape, Claude Francoeur, Jim Cassino, Brian King** (Left to Right photo), **Leo Poirier and Hans Fadum** worked alongside a large number of parents and teachers of Park Avenue School providing various fun activities for the children.



The Knights in photo took charge in the preparation and cooking of over 200 burgers and hotdogs while Brother Knights Brothers Leo and Hans were selling tickets for the various events.

COUNCIL Program

Athletics, Fraternalism, Eyeglass Collection, State Golf

Council 7015—District 27
Star of the Sea Council
White Rock, B.C.
Grand Knight:
District Deputy: Nelson Pluff

The flagrant commercialization of Christmas, prompted Council 7015 to design a unique lapel button with its prime objective of evangelization by putting Christ back in Christmas.

2013 marks the third year for this program over which time some six thousand buttons have been worn by parishioners during the Christmas season

The emphasis on the traditional greeting "Merry Christmas" is intended to counteract the generic, don't offend any culture greetings of "Happy Holiday"; "Season's Greetings" and worst of all "Have A Good One"

Councils have adopted various approaches to promote "Christ is Christmas" activities such as a poster contest in our elementary schools on the student's vision of "How they would keep Christ in Christmas; participating in local pre Christmas fun-fairs with a manned table promoting the lapel button to the public at large; special after Mass sale of lapel buttons; and distribution of buttons, free of charge to students.

Star of the Sea Council 7015 (White Rock) on its 3rd Year of **"Keep Christ in Christmas" Program**

THE YEAR OF Faith instituted in 2012 by Pope emeritus Benedict the XVI emphasized teaching (EVANGELIZING) our faith. As part of that YEAR, "Welcome home Catholics" programs were implemented—and during the recent WORLD YOUTH Day, with its theme "MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS" who cannot be moved into action by the challenge from Pope Francis, urging the 3 million youths in attendance to "BE PROTAGONISTS—MAKE A MESS" and "DON'T BE AFRAID".

Delegates to our 102nd State convention will have noted our table announcing the enhancement to the KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS program with the introduction of the red back-ground lapel button which increases its visibility and thus the message of Christ's birthday. With permission from State Deputy Edward Shawchuk, we now urge Councils to plan their fall program and order lapel buttons.



(Actual diameter 2 1/4 inches)

The 2013 KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS program details are as follows:

- Council's button cost \$ 0.85 (taxes included)
- Councils to order buttons in quantities of 100
- Council's button self-price is arbitrary; \$ 2.00 has been well received by parishioners and the community at large and, in addition, provides for a nominal fundraiser for Councils.
- Shipments to Council's designated destination will be prepaid via parcel post. An invoice accompanying the shipment will include the shipping charges and details for Council's remittance.
- Councils may order buttons via mail, from the Council 7015 address on this letterhead, OR, orders may be placed via email to Al Whyte at < amw7348@shaw.ca >

COUNCIL Program

Athletics, Fraternalism, Eyeglass Collection, State Golf

Council 12861—District 23
St. Monica Council
Richmond, B.C.
Grand Knight: Vicente Festejo
District Deputy: Edgardo Panes

St. Monica Council 12861 “WALK with the KNIGHTS”



The Knights of Columbus St. Monica Council 12861 has continually recognizes the benefits of fitness program as Members of its Council led the Richmond Community in their 5th Annual “Walk with The Knights” last September 7, 2013.

With a very comfortable weather, the walk was joined in by a visiting priest from Lira, Uganda – Fr. Alfred Okelo, Executives and Members of the Council, Families and Friends. Fresh fruits served as refreshment after finishing a 6 kilometer walk (2 complete rounds of the route)

The “WALK with the KNIGHTS” promotes the Health and Social benefits of the council. It helps you to get fitter and become healthier while carrying on your fellowship with your Fraternal Brothers. It is also a good time for spouses to interact and bond themselves.

COUNCIL Program

Athletics, Fraternalism, Eyeglass Collection, State Golf

Council 6232—District 23
Bishop Courdet Council
Whitehorse, YT
Grand Knight:
District Deputy: Edgardo Panes

Upcoming Events for Bishop Courdet Council 6232 WHITEHORSE, Yukon Territories

September 11, 2013 – Rosary Night – 7:00 pm
General Meeting – 7:15pm

September 21, 2013 – Monthly Brunch @ Yukon Inn – 10:00 am
Installation of Council Officers @ Our Lady of Victory Church – 3:00 pm
District Deputy #23 Edgardo Panes to officiate Installation Ceremony.

Council 9990—District 21
Holy Trinity Council
Nanaimo, B.C.
Grand Knight: Richard Pistone
District Deputy: Aurel Muego

Knight of the Month

Immediate Past Grand Knight Al Schickerowsky receives from Grand Knight 9990 Richard Pistone the recognition of “ Knight of the Month for July”



YOUTH Program

Free Throw, Columbian Squires, Parish Youth

Council 9125 —District 7
Port Coquitlam Council
Port Coquitlam, B.C.
Grand Knight: Rick Gagne
District Deputy: Jolly Rabaya

SQUIRES *and* SQUIRETTES at Canada Day Celebration



District 7 Port Coquitlam Council 9125 Squires and Squirettes

were joined by the State Squires and Squirettes Circles on their "Annual Face-Painting and Concession" at Port Coquitlam's Canada Day celebration at Castle Park. on July 1, 2013.

State Chief Squirette Marisa Gagne and State chief Squire Alexander Gagne reported that they raised \$315 .00 toward the good works of the State Circles.

A long day of face-painting and running the Squires and Squirettes concession and culminating in the spectacular fire works display.

Thanks to all the Squires and Squirettes who helped make it a successful and enjoyable day. Also thanks for the support from Knights council 9125 including Elemer Lazar, Eric Whalley, and Shawn Christie. . Also thanks to Wojciech Sosnowski for technical support.

Counsellors Julie Kawasaki and Rick Gagne oversaw to make a successful day

YOUTH Program

Columbian Squires, Parish Youth Activities

Council 12202 —District 11
Mother Teresa Council
Coldstream, B.C.
Grand Knight: Karl Schoenberger
District Deputy: Dave Jordan

Mother Teresa Council COLDSTREAM Kids Summer Festival

Brother Knights from Mother Teresa Council 12202 hosted a day of summer festival for children of all ages.

Children, Knights and Families had a wonderful time brought in by a great weather, delicious food and treats.



CULTURE OF LIFE

Baby Shower, 40-Days for Life, March for Life, Silver Rose

Silver Rose Run



One Life, One Rose...

District 17
Running of the Silver Rose
One Life, One Rose
Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose

Council 4680—District 17
 Dawson Creek Council
 Dawson Creek, B.C.
 Grand Knight: Leslie Dellow
 District Deputy: Mel Hoffart



Hand-Over of Silver Rose ALBERTA to BRITISH COLUMBIA

District Deputy #17 Mel Hofart, Chaplain Fr. Michael Anyasaro and Dawson Creek Council 4680 Grand Knight Les Dellow receives the Silver Rose from Brother Larry Ofner from Alberta, Canada the Silver Rose during the handover from Alberta to British Columbia last June 30, 2013

CULTURE OF LIFE

Baby Shower, 40-Days for Life, March for Life, Silver Rose

Council 4866—District 17
 Saint John Council
 Fort St. John, B.C.
 Grand Knight: Denis Drapeau
 District Deputy: Mel Hoffart



Fort St. John Council 4866 received the Silver Rose from brother council Dawson Creek Council 4680 last July 1, 2013 Prayers were held in memory of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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8:30 am	Doors open, enjoy good coffee
9:30 am	Welcome
9:45 am	Talk 1 Dr. Ray Guarendi - <i>Why Be Catholic?</i>
10:45am	Break
11:15 am	Talk 2 Jake Khym - <i>A Prodigal Son</i>
12:00 pm	Preparation for Confession
12:15 pm	Lunch and opportunity for Confession
1: 45 pm	Talk 3 Dr. Ray - <i>Catholic Men aren't Wimps</i>
2:45 pm	Where do we go from here?
2:55 pm	Break
3:20 pm	Q & A with Archbishop & Speakers
4:00 pm	Holy Mass with Archbishop J. Michael Miller

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