

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



December 2013

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Pot-luck Dinner:** Our December Pot-luck Dinner will be held on *Saturday, December 7th,* in the Parish Center, with *set-up at 1:00 pm.* Dinner will start with a social at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00. Bring a small gift for door prizes.
- **Breakfast with St. Nick:** Our annual pancake breakfast with St. Nick will be held on *Sunday, December 8th,* after the 8:30 & 10:00 Masses. Set-up will be at 1:00 pm Saturday afternoon. This is a time when we set up the entire gym plus a stage with Christmas trees, lights etc. Many hands are needed so please come out and help if you are able. Bring the whole family as this is a fun occasion.

CATCHING UP:

UPCOMING EVENTS/GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT:

First of all, I would like to thank all those who attended our October meeting and provided their input on the motion to contribute \$2000 towards the purchase of replacement tables for the gym. The motion was passed and a cheque for \$2000 was issued to St. Michael's parish as our share of the final cost of \$4086 for the tables. Under the leadership of Bro. Dennis Webster and with help from many other Bro. Knights the old tables have been removed and the new tables have been stored on the dollies in the gym just in time for use at the upcoming St. Nick's breakfast on 8th December.

Besides the new tables we will also have a new St. Nick a.k.a. DGK Tar Rossi at this St. Nick's breakfast. Our perennial St. Nick a.k.a. Bro. Tom McCloskey has stepped down and he will be sorely missed by many kids and forever appreciated for his contribution by all the knights. Please come out and join many Bro. Knights on Sat. Dec. 7th at 1pm to set up for the breakfast in the gym and the Christmas potluck dinner in the parish centre. Please drop off your donations to the parish food bank at both events.

For personal reasons Bro. Fergus has stepped down from the role of recorder and therefore our worthy Advocate Bro. Bob Murphie will be seeking nominations for a replacement. If you are interested please contact Bro. Bob 604 468 8405 or me 604 526 0178. This is the **3rd call for nominations** for this position.

Once again the Charity Appeal ticket sales in the malls will restart in Jan:

Lougheed on Jan 19-25 2014 Coquitlam on Jan 20-25 2014

For the 2 coincident weeks at Lougheed and Coquitlam in January 2014 we will be signing up Knights to fill all the 2-6pm slots Monday to Friday starting at our Dec 12th meeting. Bro. Gary will be handling ticket sales at the church and distributing tickets to all knights for sale to family and friends. This year the campaign is being run by the knights at St. Francis Xavier church in

Vancouver where the draws will take place including a dinner on Sat. Feb. 1st the night of the final draw. If you are interested in the event dinner tickets are \$25 each with \$5 going to the Pennies for Heaven fund. Please call me at 604 526 0178 if you wish to attend.

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to wish all my Bro knights and their families a Very Blessed Christmas.

Vivat Jesus

Michael, GK

Program Directors Report:

Brothers we are winding up to be in full motion for our Breakfast with St Nick. This day takes a tremendous amount of work, but it also makes for a lot of fun. This year we will dearly miss our **long time** resident St Nick, Brother Tom McClosky. After 25 years of taking care of our St Nick needs, this year he is regrettably going to have to pass on the passion he has had a long time. We will pray for a speedy recovery of his foot operation that would make it too precarious to have all those little people climbing all over him. We are very fortunate to have Tarcisio Rossi volunteer to take the reins, so to speak, and ensure the little people have a good St Nick visit.

This breakfast on Dec.8th is by far our most attended of all, it is for that reason we call on all available Knights to volunteer their time, bring their families and convince friends to attend. The big day will start with the set up, which will be on **Saturday Dec 7th at 10:00 AM**.

We have tables to set up along with decorating the gym, trees, and St. Nicks area. To top off the St Nick breakfast preparations and set up; we will also have to set up for our Christmas Pot Luck dinner in the parish center that day.

I am hoping that there are not too many company events going on and we have a good turnout. It is unfortunate that the last two have had minimal numbers but to give everyone a heads up the next Potluck won't be until February 01, 2014. We would like for everyone to bring a gift to donate for door prizes.

Brothers our Grey Cup Pool was a great success, as our western division champions were the CFL Grey Cup Champions. I successfully sold out all the squares for our Knights of Columbus Grey Cup Pool. Game day was November 24th. I will be phoning the winners that day to advise them of their winnings. The winners of the pool were:

1st Quarter winner----Mike B. ---\$50, score Sask 7 - Hamilton 3

2nd Quarter winner---Lloyd Gerson----\$50, score Sask 31 - Hamilton 6 **3rd Quarter winner**----Suzy Rossi-----\$50, score Sask 31 Hamilton 13 (Suzy has graciously donated her win back to the Knights for the Food Bank, Thank You Suzy) **Final Quarter winner** ----Dave (of the Dave and Laura Lee group, of St. Michael's) excuse me for not having the last name, winning \$100, score Sask 45 Hamilton 23

Congratulations to all the winners and a big thank you to Suzy and to all that supported the fund raiser.

We raised \$250.00 that will go to Saint Michael's food bank. Also, our additional food bank fundraiser as in the past will be donated gift baskets which we will be selling tickets for after each mass on the weekend of Dec 1, 7 & 8, 14 & 15 with the draw on Dec 15th. I would like to ask the Knights that are attending the masses to volunteer to sell tickets at the back of the church to

parishioners as they are leaving. Last year we raised over \$500.00. It would be nice to do better this year; trying to reach \$1000.00 with the Grey Cup fundraiser.

*REMINDER: Membership dues; bring to next meeting Cheque payable to: Knights of Columbus or you can mail to D. Freemantle 808 Grover Ave., Coquitlam B.C. V3J 3C8

From Bruce & Benita McLean and all our family, son and daughter in-law Robin and Brandy their two daughters Madison and Lexington, and oldest son Jason and his wife, Ceici and their son Edin. We wish everyone in our parish a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, God Bless.

Bruce McLean

++++++++ VOLUNTEERING – IF NOT ME THEN WHO? ++++++++++



Birthdays in December: Micheli Bevilacqua, Vince Maddalozzo, Stan March, & Tim Morris.

Family of the Month:

Dec. – Stan & Carol March.

Calendar of Events:

- Dec. 7th Pot-luck Dinner. Social at 6:00 and Dinner at 7:00. Set-up at 1:00 pm.
- Dec 7th Set-up for Breakfast with St. Nick starting at 1:00 pm.
- Dec. 8th Breakfast with St. Nick after 8:30 and 10:00 Masses. Set-up at 1:00 pm Sat.
- Dec. 10th Our regular monthly meeting at 8:00 pm, after Rosary for the sick and Mass.

++++Pray for PRIESTS, BROTHERS, and SISTERS ... They need us – we need them++++

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Danielle Ciavarro (wife of Chad Ciavarro and daughter of Tar Rossi) and Bruce McLean's granddaughter.



Kay Blair; Al Boire; Joe Dorval; Simone Fraser, Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; Bill Kathrein; John La Berge: Stan & Carol March; Wayne Marshall; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Mary Klikach; Kenneth Klikach; Lucy Luterbach; Peggy MacDonald; John Todd: Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Gordon Zelko; Father Swinkels; Fathers Basil Foote, Stan Frytek, David Hughes, Joseph Thoai Le, and Bill Somerville & Br. Tom Maddix.

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