

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



MAY 2014

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- <u>Potluck Dinner:</u> Our May Pot-luck dinner will be held on <u>May 3rd</u> in the Parish Center. <u>Set-up will be at 5:00 pm</u> with the social starting at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00.
- <u>Ford Test Drive Fundraiser:</u> Saturday, May 3rd, starting at 10:00 am, the Knights of Columbus will be holding a Ford Test Drive fundraising event in conjunction with the book sale at the school. Ford donates \$20 for each person who signs up for the test drive with vehicles provided by Key West Ford. We need volunteers to help with setting up the parking lot and helping the parents as needed. Please come out to support this event and the book sale.
- Pancake Breakfast: Our monthly pancake breakfast will be held on Sunday, May 11th, after the 8:30 & 10:00 Masses. Set-up will be at 7:00 am Sunday morning.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 13th**, at 8:00 pm, after Rosary for the Sick and Mass.
- Clergy Appreciation Dinner: The next Clergy appreciation dinner will be held at St. Peter's church hall on Monday, May 5th, with cocktails at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00. Msgr. Rossi, Fr. Nixon D'Silva and Fr. Swinkels have all been invited to the event. Members are encourages to attend this dinner in support of our wonderful Clergy.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

The 103rd State Convention was held on April 25-27 2014 at the Sheraton Airport Hotel in Richmond. Bro. Coral and I attended this event. The theme of this year was "THE LIGHT OF FAITH" which was chosen by our Past State Chaplain Bishop Richard Gagnon. The new State Chaplain Bishop Ken Nowakowski presided over this session and the opening Mass was in the Ukrainian Catholic rite. Archbishop Michael Miller and the new Apostolic Nuncio to Canada Archbishop Luigi Bonazzi also attended the State Banquet on Saturday.

Highlights of the session were

- The Pennies for Heaven collection raised \$11900 for each diocese in BC and the Yukon. Our contribution of \$362.56 will go towards next year's donation to the bishops.
- 2) The Special Olympics Representative was presented with a cheque of approx. \$9000 (photo below) with most of it from the Tootsie Roll campaign and \$1580 from our Council's Walk/Run on March 30 this year thanks to Bros. Bruce, John Cabana and Alain Custeau.
- 3) The Necrology Mass on Saturday morning remembered all the deceased including our Council's Henri Facultad and Dr. Walter Kazun of our parish.
- 4) Our share of the rebate from the Charity Appeal Campaign was \$2916.60 in addition to the \$792 commission that we had received earlier.
- 5) The current Executive was returned by acclamation as there were no new nominations



The role of recorder is still vacant 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 **7th call for nominations** for this position. We will be seeking nominations for all positions for the upcoming elections at our June meeting. Bro. Brian Ennis will be assisting Bro. Bob Murphie in this task. See the "Officers" section on the website (http://www.kofc9246.org/officers/) for a description of each of the positions on the Council.

The Lecturer is appointed by the Grand Knight. Please read the following description of the various officers' responsibilities very carefully and seriously consider accepting nomination to one of the positions. The only requirement for becoming an officer is that you have attained the third Degree.

Thanks to all the Knights who helped at the April pancake breakfast. Hope to see many of you at the May 11 Mother's Day Pancake breakfast.

Tickets will be available soon for our Awards dinner on June 7 which will be catered. Please contact Bro. Bruce if you wish to attend.

Our ever faithful Bro. Terry Duggan, who has audited our council accounts every 6 months for many years, wishes to step down and pass the baton over to a new auditor. If any Bro. with an accounting background is interested in taking on this role please contact Bro. Terry (604-931-4901) or me (604-526-0178) to get details. The next audit will take place in July 2014 and Bro. Terry will gladly work with you on this. The council will always be indebted to Bro. Terry for his unfailing dedication.

Bro. Alain Custeau has completed his 2 projects one being the replacement of the lamppost at the entrance and the other being the installation of a new sign at the entrance. He was helped by Brothers Bruce Mclean, Herman Haffner, Johnny Rodriguez, Dennis Webster and parishioner Ray Marchand. On short notice Bro. Bruce managed to get Bros. Fergus and our new 3rd Degree member Alan Wardle to clean the gutters of the church after Easter.

VIVAT JESUS Michael de Faria-Neves GK

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

Program Directors Report:

Well Brothers Spring seems to be here and what better time to get together for a Pot Luck. I hope many will attend May 3rd and if you cannot make this one be prepared to come out and join in the next months Knights Appreciation Dinner. This dinner is our wind up for the year and we celebrate our achievements. As in the summer most brother Knights are enjoying the good weather with their families on their vacations.

A little more about the June Appreciation Dinner. Tickets will be on sale at \$30.00 a plate around mid May. Please contact Brother Stan March or myself for purchase. The dinner is scheduled for June the 7th, the day before our beloved Father Swinkles leaves for his usual trip to Holland to visit his family. Also remember Father's birthday June 1st that will give everyone their chance to wish Father a safe trip along with their birthday wish. The dinner will be a roast beef and chicken dinner with the fixings. Wine will be served with the dinner. Many will remember our past dinners as the caterer is the same. So mark your calendar for this Knights of Columbus Social.

May will be a busy month for our Fourth Degree, as they will be involved with serving meals at St. Peter's Padre night on May 5th, color guard for St. Michael's Confirmation on May 7th, 100th year celebration of Simon Fraser Assembly on May 24th, St. Michael's 1st. Communion on May 25th and wrapping up with St. Michaels May Procession on May 26th. On behalf of our council I would like to congratulate Alain Custeau for taking over the Fourth Degree duties from Sir Knight Tom McClosky. Tom has performed his duties all the time I can remember and is now pressed with caring for his dear wife Pat who had suffered a stroke. We pass on our prayers to both.

A couple things we achieved last month: the walk for Special Olympics raised \$1580.00 with GK Michael presenting a cheque to them; and we also presented a cheque to Pennies for Heaven for \$362.00 at convention

Please note that our Pancake Breakfast has been rescheduled from May 4th to May 11th due to the book sale taking place. This may also interact better as the plant sale will be in conjunction with our breakfast.

P.S. has anyone noticed the new light at the driveway entrance? Thanks to Alain and your helpers.

Bruce McLean - Program Director

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



Birthdays in May:

Dave Alexander, John Cabana, Pat Cassidy, Robert Costa, Coral Kopchia, John La Berge, Chi Nguyen, Craig Nichols, and Walter Whittey (D),

Calendar of Events:

- May 3rd Pot-luck Dinner held in parish Center. Set-up at 1:00 pm.
- May 5th Clergy Appreciation Dinner at St. Peters Hall in New Westminster.
- May 11th Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 & 10:00 Masses. Set-up at 7:00 am.
- May 13th Regular monthly meeting at 8:00 pm after Rosary and Mass for the sick.
- May 24th Simon Fraser Assembly 4th Degree 100th Celebration At St. Mary's Ukrainian Church 550 West 4th, Vancouver Dinner is \$50.00 per person
- May 25th St. Michael's First Communion
- May 26th St. Michael's May Procession
- June 1st Knights Pancake Breakfast

 June 7th Knights Catered Appreciation Dinner
- June 8th Alter Boys Appreciation Day
- June 22nd St. Michael's Appreciation Dinner

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Moses Gorospe, son of Brother Michael and Rochelle Gorospe, who was buries on Good Friday.



Kay Blair; Al Boire; Matteo Ciavarro: 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; Kathy McLean; Mary Klikach; Kenneth Klikach; Anibal Ibarra; 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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