



## *St. Michael's Council 9246* **NEWSLETTER**



*February 2017*

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

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- **Pot-luck Dinner:** The next Pot-luck is on *Saturday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>* in the parish centre, starting at *6:00 pm*. *Set-up* will be at *10:00 am*.
- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on *Sunday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>*, after *8:30 and 10:00 Masses*. *Setup* will start on *Sunday, at 7:30 am*.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>*, at *8:00 pm*, after Rosary for the Sick and Mass.
- **Charity Appeal:** Draw Date is *Saturday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>* at All Saints Parish Centre in Coquitlam.

### **CATCHING UP:**

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#### **Grand Knight's Report:**

Congratulations to Sandie Madriaga on completing his Second Degree on January 16 at St. Luke's parish in Maple Ridge. Thanks to Rafael Sevilla who accompanied him. I encourage all members to complete their Second and Third degree for full knighthood in our organization.

Many thanks to those who helped with the pancake breakfast on Jan. 8. Not a great turnout of customers probably due to the weather and being close to Christmas. Hopefully next month's breakfast on February 5 will be better attended. Come out and help if you are able – we can always use more hands.

Charity Appeal raffle ticket sales have finally ended, with the draw date on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at All Saints Parish Centre in Coquitlam. Thanks for all who sold books on their own or helped in the Malls. Special thanks to Brothers Gary Jeannotte, Bruce McLean, and Michael de Faria Neves for their work coordinating this year's fund-raiser. Books sold included 196 Early Bird and 126 Main, for a total of 322 books sold - Well done.

Our council sponsored the Holy Family Prayer Program again this year with the icon of an etching of the Holy Family by Giovanni Balestra. The Icon travels between councils and was here at St. Michael's, Jan 14 – 22. We had the prayer service on Tues, Jan 17, after the evening Mass, and again Sat, Jan 21, after the morning Mass. Thanks to Brother Pat Krump for leading this meaningful prayer service and inviting parishioners and families to join us.

The annual State Convention will be held on April 28, 29, and 30. Usually 2 executive members attend, GK, DGK, FS, PGK, etc. We must nominate 2 alternatives as well, so come to the Feb. 14 meeting to submit your nominations or email me at [jcabana@telus.net](mailto:jcabana@telus.net) if you cannot attend.

If you have forgotten, please send your annual dues of \$40 to our financial secretary Alan Wardle, etransfer, paypal, cheque, or bring it to our February 14th meeting. We have to pay Supreme for every member of our council, so we rely on the membership dues to cover this cost. Thanks. Upcoming fund-raisers include Pennies for Heaven campaign to raise funds for vocations (please save your loose change), and our annual Special Olympics Walk-a-thon at the end of March.

Don't forget the next pancake breakfast on Sunday February 5 and our next council meeting at 8:00 pm on Tuesday, February 14, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).

Vivat Jesus  
John Cabana, GK

### **Program Director's Report:**

Hello my Brothers,

The month of February is upon us and I remind all to remember their wives this Valentine Day Feb 14th. It is truly regrettable that we have our typical schedule the second Tuesday of the month as our meeting night which will be Feb 14th Valentine's Day. Please pass on our wishes from your council executive to your wives. I hope that you make some sort of amends to allow your presence at our meeting. I have completed a request of my wife, for a barn board heart shape to mount on the wall and intend to take her for dinner prior the meeting. Anyway good luck with that.

Our Charity Appeal Fund Raiser is completed. I thank all those that were involved, especially the many that helped with ticket sales in the Malls and selling tickets on their own. Our mall coverage by the school parents fell a bit short this year as come January most parents had completed their quota of volunteer hours. Thanks to those retired that covered the afternoon shifts and to the few that were needed to cover shifts in the mornings and late at night, which were members that rearranged their work hours to help out. I think it was a great effort by all.

Of the 350 books ordered we sold 211 in the malls, 110 by individual Knights, returned 28 unsold and had 1 lost book. Many thanks to Gary Jeannotte and Michael de Faria Neves for starting everything, ordering the books, organizing the malls and display vehicles when they could, and wrapping everything up. Thanks also to the 18 brother Knights that sold books and the many that bought books.

The big seller this year was myself, selling 35 and the person that pushed me to keep my title, Vince Maddalozzo, selling 22 books. We will collect a commission of \$2/book sold and a % of the money raised by the Charity Appeal Foundation.

Upcoming is Feb.4th, Saturday, our Pot Luck Dinner at St. Michael's Parish Centre. I will be setting things up starting at 10:00AM. All help is welcome and will not take long. We start with a social hour at 6:00 PM and dinner at 7:00 PM. hope to see many of you there.

Next is our Pancake Breakfast on Sunday Feb 5th, with Enrico cooking and setting up at 7:00 AM. We always call for as much help as we can. Please come to help every time as many times we fall short of volunteers.

Next will be our monthly meeting Feb 14<sup>th</sup>; if you are looking for forgiveness from God come to pray the rosary at 7:10 PM with Mass at 7:30 PM; if you are looking for forgiveness from your wife, come to meeting at 8:00 PM.

A reminder that I did not put in the January newsletter - Each and every Knight should be commitment to the clergy. Every year we collect from our council Knights their collection of loose coins they have saved for what used to be called Pennies for Heaven. This is pocket change we save through the year. At our April meeting bring your collection so our council can make a donation at the Knights of Columbus Convention at the end of April. If you haven't started to make a collection please do so now.

Each year I organize a walk to raise funds to go to Special Olympics. Last year we raised \$2200 and would like to do similar again this year. I have marked March 26<sup>th</sup> as a walk date. Please if you are interested let me know so you and I can begin canvassing for pledges for the walk sometime early March.

Thanks for your time reading this report; see you at the Pot Luck

AND - Happy Valentine's Day!  
Bruce McLean

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



**Birthdays in February:**

George Avelar, Matthew Cabana, John Ellerman(D), Warner Fernandes, Dave Freemantle, Enrico Garrone, Kevin Kim, Wayne Marshall, Tom McCloskey, Bruce McLean, Bob Murphie, John Todd

**Calendar of Events:**

Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>: Pot-Luck dinner 6 pm social, 7 pm dinner / set up at 10:00 am.

Feb 4<sup>th</sup>: Charity Appeal Draw – All Saints parish, Coquitlam

Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>: Pancake Breakfast / set up at 7:30 am.

Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>: Knights regular monthly meeting.

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

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**REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Please pray for the sick in our Parish:

Bill & Kay Blair; Al Boire; Eileen Cassidy; Andrew Garisto; Bonny Gerson; Lloyd Gerson; Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; John La Berge; Stan & Carol March; Wayne Marshall; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Kathy McLean; Edmond Kim; Kenneth Klikach; Anibal Ibarra; Peggy MacDonald; John Todd; Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Gordon Zelko; Father John Swinkels; Fathers Basil Foote, Stan Frytek, David Hughes, Joseph Thoai Le, and Bill Somerville & Br. Tom Maddix; Paula Whire and GK Robert Tan of St. Francis de Sales Council 8853

**MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US**