



St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



February 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Pot Luck Dinner:** The next Pot-Luck dinner will be on *Saturday, Feb. 3*, with social at *6:00 pm* and dinner at *7:00 pm* in the Parish Centre. Bring your favourite dish to share and BYOB. Setup will be on *Saturday, Feb. 3 at 10:00 am*.
- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on *Sunday, Feb. 4*, after *8:30 and 10:00 Masses*. Setup will start on *Sunday at 7:00 am*. Please come and help out at our monthly fundraiser.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday, Feb. 13th*, at *8:00 pm*, after Rosary for the Sick (*7:10*) and Mass (*7:30*).
- **Charity Appeal:** Now completed. Final winners to be drawn Feb. 3 at St. Francis Xavier Parish, Vancouver.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

We are slowly getting back to our routine after a busy Christmas season. We moved the January pancake breakfast to Jan. 14 instead of the first Sunday of the month to coincide with the Children's choir. We had a reasonable turnout of customers, with more at the 8:30 Mass. We could have used a few more helpers, but were able to manage due to the smaller crowd. Please come and lend a hand for our next breakfast on Feb. 4th.

Thanks to Brother Gary, Brother Alain, Brother Michael de Faria Neves, and others for working on the Charity Appeal this year. Brother Gary reported that we sold all 350 books of tickets (322 last year), thanks to school parents and Knights working at Lougheed and Royal City malls. The early bird draw was on Jan. 20 and the main draw Feb. 3. Winners will be posted when available. This is a great fund raiser for our council, and great prizes:

56th ANNUAL CHARITY APPEAL RAFFLE

The kick off date for this year's charity appeal raffle is Sept. 30, with the early bird draw on Jan. 20, 2018 and the main draw, on Feb. 3, 2018.

Ticket price again this year will be \$2 per ticket.

This year the prizes include \$50,000 as well as 4 vehicles and early bird cash prizes.

1st Prize: \$50,000.00

2nd Prize: GMC 4X4 Supercab

3rd Prize: Ford Mustang

4th Prize: Toyota Prius C

5th Prize: Harley 750

The annual State Convention will be held on May 4, 5, and 6. Usually 2 executive members attend, GK, DGK, FS, PGK, etc. We must nominate 2 alternatives as well, so come to the Feb. 13 meeting to submit your nominations or email me at 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 13th 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.

We have a new Field Agent (insurance, RRSP's, TFSA's, etc.), Brother Andrew Godbout. Brother Andrew is looking forward to an enjoyable working relationship with our council. He plans to attend some of our council meetings. His contact information is at the end of this newsletter.

Looking forward to the next council meeting Feb. 13, 2018. If possible, join in the Rosary at 7:10 pm and the Mass at 7:30 pm before the council meeting at 8 pm.

Vivat Jesus,
John Cabana, GK

CHARITY APPEAL 17'-18':

This year's Charity Appeal was a great success with our Council selling all 300 books plus a further 50 books that I picked up for a total of 350 books. Special thanks are in order, especially to Brother Alain Custeau who stepped up in my absence and got the ball rolling. Brother Alain was instrumental in seeing that 33 Brother Knights had an opportunity to support this cause by selling/buying tickets this campaign. Special thanks this year to Brother Vince Maddalozzo (38 books) and Brother Bruce McLean (30 books) for going above and beyond with their hard work selling tickets. Other top sellers were Brothers Paul Rossi (10), Rafael Sevilla (9), Coral Kopchia (7) and Alain Custeau (6). Selling 5 books this year were Brother Brian Power, Alan Wardle, Pat Krump, Benny Castres, Robert Costa, Elver Pippo, Tarcisio Rossi and Jim Wise. 19 other members sold books. Thanks to all of you for your support. This year we sold 52 books at the Church, again that's to Brother Alain's efforts. Mall sales were a good news/bad news story. At Lougheed Mall we sold 15 ½ books in 7 days while at Royal City Mall we sold 92 ½ books in 6 days. Thanks to Brothers Bruce McLean, Chester Ostonal, Johnny Rodriguez and Michael de Faria-Neves for helping out at Royal City. Also thanks to the many parents of St. Michael's School for their support selling at the Malls.

Gary Jeannotte

Program Director's Report:

Hello everyone. I thank all that said prayers for my mother. As you know she passed away New Year's Eve, after 91 very good years with us. She suffered her third stroke being fatal, in her sleep Dec 27. She was in Hospice House in Prince George until Dec 31 upon her passing. This time was very difficult as many of my family were suffering the different viruses that were going around at the same time. Thanks again for your prayers.

I would like to give you the final report on our Knights Food Bank Fund Raiser. As was reported in December the Grey Cup Pool raised \$325, the Gift Basket Raffle raised \$790 for a total of \$1115.00. We had 4 Gift Baskets and an envelope with 4 of 5 Save-On gift cards worth \$10 each. One of the gift cards was added to the smallest Gift Basket.

The winners were---Gift Cards===Eva Juca, St. Michael's Parishioner
 Gift Basket #4==Mary Hansen, sister of Bernice Cabana
 Gift Basket #3==Bryce Li, St. Michael's Parishioner
 Gift Basket #2==Chris Holmes, St. Michael's Parishioner
 Gift Basket #1==Lily Bajas-Tennet, St. Michael's Parishioner

Brother Alan Custeau and I were on hand to deliver 6 of 80 St. Michael's Food Hampers for Christmas to the needy on Dec 21st. These were very special hampers consisting of a turkey, 2 boxes of groceries, and a box of Mandarin oranges. We received many thanks from those that were receiving the hampers. I thank not just the Knights doing their part but all those others involved in food bank fund raising because there is such a great need for the food bank.

Report on December Pot Luck Christmas dinner

Revenue=====\$215.00
 Expenses=====\$18.37
 Total Profit=====\$196.63

I should mention that Marie Rossi was winner of the 50/50 and graciously donated her share of \$107.50 back to our council. At the meeting a motion was made and passed, to donate \$190.00 to the wheel Chair Foundation for placement of a new wheel chair to a needy person in her name.

Report on December Pancake Breakfast

Revenue=====\$1500.25
 Expenses=====\$753.46
 Total Profit=====\$746.79

Many thanks to all brothers that took time to make this day a huge success.

Report on January Pancake Breakfast

Revenue=====\$450.00
 Expense=====\$139.04
 Total Profit=====\$310.96

There was no Pot Luck for January but please make a note we will have on February 3rd a Pot Luck Dinner in the parish centre. Set up will be at 10:00 AM and the dinner will start with a social at 6:00 PM dinner at 7:00 PM.

There will follow with our Knights Pancake Breakfast February 4th, back to our usual schedule of first Sunday of each month. Set up will be at 7:00 AM and services after the 8:00 AM 10:00 AM mass. There is always need of many helpers so please come out to help.

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, Tom McCloskey, Bruce McLean, Bob Murphie, John Todd.

Calendar of Events:

Feb. 3rd: Pot-Luck Dinner – 6 pm social, 7 pm dinner, set-up Sat. 10 am

Feb. 3rd: Charity Appeal Draw – St. Francis Xavier, Vancouver

Feb. 4th: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses, set-up 7:00 am

Feb. 13th: Knights regular monthly meeting

Feb. 14th: Ash Wednesday (beginning of the Lenten season) and Valentine's Day

+++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; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Edmond Kim; Kenneth Klikach; Peggy MacDonald; Tony & Cathy Patrick; John Todd; Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Gordon Zelko; Father John Swinkels; Fathers Basil Foote, 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