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7432**

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September through June,
on the second Tuesday
beginning at 7:30 pm in the
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Knightline

JANUARY 2004

Grand Knight's Message

Happy New Year everyone!

Doreen, yours truly and our family wish you and yours the very best health, happiness and prosperity in 2004. My how the years do fly by!

As you all are aware, we are now at the half way mark of our 2003 - 2004 Columbian year. The first half of our Columbian year has been extremely exciting and 2004 I believe will be even more exciting.

The first half of our Columbian year brought much in the way of new activities as well as very successful "tried and true" ones. I and your entire executive wish to thank all of you who gave so generously of you time and effort to make these events such a success.

I have heard from many of you regarding our improved Knightline and the feedback is extremely positive. We need a high quality newsletter. Many of you have taken the time to have your "mug shot" taken for our exciting first Year Book. For those of you (still very much the majority of our membership) who have not had you picture taken please contact Brother Ray Martin at 278-5609 to arrange this with him. We will publish this yearbook in about a month and you will certainly regret not having your picture in it. Our first pot Luck meeting in

many years was certainly a qualified success and I am positive our March Pot Luck will be an unqualified one. Just ask any Brother who attended this one.

Our first ever Mustard Seed kitchen and serving activity was a tremendous success. What a great way for us to bring our families together serving the Lord's underprivileged. This activity is a striking example of Father McGivney's vision for the Knight's. Please make sure you can make some time for our next Mustard Seed event on Family Day.

Our first ever Winter Clothing drive working together with the Saint Vincent de Paul Society from our parish also proved to be an immense success. I believe some 170 huge bags of clothing plus winter boots were collected and shipped to the Calgary drop in centre which had zero clothing on hand to give out to the homeless in Calgary. What a winter to get this program off and running. You should know that this activity has been submitted to the Columbia Magazine Councils in Action and is already on their web site. It will appear in the Magazine in the next few months. Our new goal is to submit at least one activity per month to the



Columbia Magazine.

It has been too many years since we remembered our Council's widows. With that in mind they each received Poinsettias hand delivered by our Council. This program will continue to expand.

Once again many of you participated in the organizing and distribution of Christmas hampers to the less fortunate in Calgary. I believe close to 200 hampers we given out. The Christ Child surely would be pleased.

Let us all keep in mind our moral obligation to recruit new members to this fantastic organization. Our membership recruitment so far leaves much to be desired Brothers. Lets all of us pledge to recruit one new member by June 30th. It can be done!

Viva Jesus!
Brother Michael Kelly

“Keep Christ In Christmas” Billboard



St. Bonaventure Council and the Knights of Columbus again reminded the citizens of Calgary to “Keep Christ in Christmas” with a touching picture of the Holy Family at the time of the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ. The message for the ages was displayed on a modern advertising medium – a commercial billboard along a busy traffic artery in the heart of the city. Over the month of December a billboard, located between 5th and 6th Avenues on Centre Street S, just east of Petro-Canada Centre, proudly proclaimed its message in full view of the thousands of commuters passing by it daily. It was truly inspiring and a very welcome sight cutting through the hustle and bustle to help us focus on the true meaning of Christmas. We are grateful to Pattison who prepared the graphic design and supplies for the billboard under time duress. We thank our corporate sponsor who once again most generously funded this important project.



The billboard played another role this Christmas as part of St. Gregory School’s “Keep Christ in Christmas” campaign. The students were asked early on in Advent to find three ways in which they personally could keep Christ in Christmas. Mrs. Virginia Martin, a Grade 4 teacher at the school, reports that she was inspired by the Knights’ “Keep Christ in Christmas” campaign. Early in December, she placed eight miniature copies of the billboard throughout the school. Reinforcing the message with the larger audience at the Advent Celebration on December 18 even more, a huge picture of the actual billboard was projected onto a screen for all to see.

Bro. Ray Martin

Blessing of the Outdoor Nativity Scene



After the 5:00 PM Mass on November 29, many parishioners joined our Pastor and Council’s Chaplain, Father William Stephenson, in a blessing ceremony of the outdoor Nativity Scene. In conjunction with the Knights of Columbus councils throughout the Order participating in the “Light up for Christ” program, the ceremony included the illumination of the Nativity Scene. The spotlights on the Creche are lit every evening until after the Feast of the Epiphany. The visibility of the scene, located on the roof of the Church, helps us to publicly proclaim the **“Keep Christ in Christmas”** message.



To mark the occasion, several families gathered in the St. Francis of Assisi Room after the ceremony for fellowship and to partake of various refreshments and Christmas cookies. Thank you to Father Bill and the 5:00 PM Mass choir. We also thank the Brother Knights who assisted at the event and especially Bro. Don Rasko for programming the rooftop timer.

Bro. Ray Martin

COUNCIL YEARBOOK

The Council Yearbook was proposed by Worthy Grand Knight at the start of this Columbian Year as a practice edition, if you will, for the yearbook to be prepared for our Council's 25th anniversary, next year. We are looking for photos, stories, poems, songs, recipes, jokes, etc. that reflect events and attitudes for this Columbian year. Also, please consider volunteering to be on the Yearbook Committee. We need to compile a working copy early in the new year so if you like to organize photos and other information, usually in PowerPoint and Word, or sometimes in paper and scissors even, please give me a call.

The Knightly-face picture count is approaching 100 which means we only have 130 yet to go. It might just be me (and Worthy Grand Knight, I am sure), but I would find it so helpful to have a reference source to find a name for a person whom I know by sight but whose name I have forgotten. I usually have a name in my head for a face I recognize, but it isn't always the right one!

Please see me for a (painless) mugshot any time after a meeting or event or other time such as a free evening. Just call and we can set up a time. If you feel you must donate your likeness from your own library of poses, that is perfectly acceptable, as long as we can scan it. Please help us to include your likeness in the tome if, for no other reason, than to imagine your Brother Knights paging through the book and becoming more familiar with the members and activities of our Council.

Bro. Ray Martin

The Mustard Seed Volunteer Project

The Mustard Seed Street Ministry is a “grass roots” Christian, non-profit, humanitarian organization giving a helping hand to destitute people down on their luck and needing the fundamentals of life to survive. We have again committed to preparing and serving lunch to the clients. The date is **Family Day Monday, February 16**. The kitchen preparation starts at 10:00 AM and serving starts about 12:30 PM and ends about 2:30 PM.

The need is greatest, they explained, on a holiday Monday because other agencies are closed and their own staff is reduced. Please be generous with your time that day as we need a contingent size of about 15 persons. Knights, friends, spouses and older children are all invited to be part of this work of mercy. The main job is fairly basic kitchen work followed by a whirlwind of dishing out and serving activities. You can choose to do either or both functions. It is not difficult work, and they need the help.

Although it is the Family Day holiday, the shift is over early enough in the afternoon that you still have the best part of it to do a family activity. If you come as a family, of course, you will experience the joys of a rewarding family experience. In any case, please sign up for a shift. You won't regret it. I am always looking for an ongoing volunteer list because we are doing this on a regular basis. Let me know if you or your family members wish to participate. Find out more information on this organization from their web-page www.theseed.ca.



Bro. Ray Martin

Flowers for Our Widows

On the 20th of December two Knights set out to deliver Classic Christmas red poinsettia plants to seven Widows of the St Bonaventure Parish.

The “Plants” were all received with enthusiasm and the kindest appreciation, as in this picture, with Brother Armand Audette handing Natalie Pacholick here gift.

We all remember that the Knights Widows are part of a Knight's family and still participate in our activities.



Brother George Kozlowski.



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JANUARY 2004 MEMBERSHIP REPORT



Congratulations and welcome to **Brothers Gerry Gilchrist, Bev Isaacs, Brian Kollman and Kevin Patterson** who joined the Knights on the occasion of a First degree ceremonial held Monday December 01, 2003 at St. Bonaventure Parish Hall. Thank you to Brother

Lloyd Bichel and his team for having put on another first class ceremonial.

Welcome to **Brother Murray Flegel** whose membership in our Order is being reactivated. Brother Murray joined the Knights a number of years ago in Omaha, Nebraska.

All First Degree Knights are invited to advance in Knighthood by participating in a Major Degree (Second and Third degree) ceremonial scheduled for Saturday February 21, 2004 at St. Albert the Great Parish Hall- 20 Preswick Rd. S.E. Confirm your participation by calling me at 278-9686.

As we embark in the second half of the Columbian Year, every Knight is reminded to ask catholic gentlemen to join the Knights. A very simple question, which surprisingly will produce results. Recruitment is everyone responsibility! Give me a call at 278-9686 with information on your new potential recruit.

Brother Pierre Roy
Membership Director

<http://kofc7432.netfirms.com/>

Children's St. Nicholas Party

On Sunday December 30th, the Knights of Columbus held their annual children's St. Nicholas party. The party was a great success and enjoyed by all. About 21 families attended the function, which was almost double the attendance from last year.

We started the day off with singing Christmas songs with the much-appreciated help of Teresa Perreault, who is part of the 10:30 choir. This was accompanied by a couple of stories and a



puppet show put on by some of the Knight's youth. This was followed by the building of gingerbread houses. Quite a messy adventure but it appeared everyone got involved right



from the youth to parents to grandparents. There was certainly some interesting creations made that day. We had a surprise visitor – “Noodles the Clown” who also entertained the children with magic, tricks and balloons. We all enjoyed hot dogs, hot chocolate, cookies and off course lots of icing sugar, while making the gingerbread houses. The day was finished off thanks to Brother Ray, who brought in his stereo and projector for the children to watch Mickey's Christmas Carol.

I would like to thank all those who helped to sell tickets after the masses, Caroline Hart for making the chocolates, Brothers Denis and Ray for helping to set up and plan the event, some “Knighties” – my wife who was very helpful in getting the supplies for the party and setting before the party, Wendy Fleming and Nina Gessell for helping with kitchen duties.

Brother Syd Howlett



THE RIGHT TO LIFE

Recently Pope John Paul II made a heartfelt appeal to Christians to abandon the mediocrity promoted by worldly lifestyles. The Holy Father stressed that an education to freedom is urgently needed, especially in the family. “The family is the nursery where the little plants, the new generations are nurtured. In the family, the future of the nation is forged. In this New Year, Brother Knights, as part of our New Year’s goals, let us adopt our Holy Father’s request, and to thereby make a greater contribution to the evangelization of today’s world.

Sadly in this country, abortion continues to kill millions. We are called as Catholic men to be courageous and to oppose any form of abortion. Shafer Parker, a journalist/pastor at the recent Pro-Life Conference encouraged his listeners to be Ambassadors for Christ. We are to state that abortion is the killing of an innocent human life, even as we understand that Jesus calls us to love abortionists, since they too are made in the image of God. He wants us to pray for them, and offer them the Word of God so that they can be reconciled to Him. As Ambassadors for Christ, Shafer Parker believes that we can win the hear, mind, and soul of the abortionists through our example of love.

Scott Klusendorf, a Pro-life apologist (a defender of the rights of the unborn), is a nationally known speaker and author. He says that pro-life advocates argue that abortion unjustly takes the life of a defenceless human being. The rationale for that argument is clear and to the point:

1. Intentionally killing an innocent human being is a moral wrong
2. Elective abortion is such a killing, since the unborn are innocent human beings
3. Therefore, elective abortion is morally wrong.

There is only one question to resolve: What is the unborn? Objections to the pro-life view based on choice, privacy, bodily rights, and back alley abortions miss, or ignore, this point entirely.

For more information on how to become more effective advocates for the unborn and their right to life, visit www.str.org or email Scott Klusendorf at scott@str.org

Brother Knights, let us move away from mediocrity in 2004, let us become true Ambassadors for Christ, and may He make us more courageous in defending the right to life from conception through to natural death.

A year of peace, love, and best wishes to all!
Brother Chic Paolini



2004 LADIES' APPRECIATION NIGHT

UN VOYAGE AU QUEBEC

Date:	Saturday, February 7, 2004
Location:	St. Bonaventure Parish Centre
Cocktails:	6:00 p.m.
Supper:	7:00 p.m.
Cost:	\$40.00/couple

Gentlemen: It is that time of year again when we honour the ladies who provide us with their support, which enables us to perform our charitable, fraternal and patriotic duties as Knights of Columbus.

On **Saturday, February 7, 2004**, St. Bonaventure Council 7432 will host the 2004 Ladies' Appreciation Night. This year, our theme is "Un Voyage au Quebec". This special evening will feature beverages, cuisine and entertainment you would enjoy in a visit to French-Canadian Quebec. The entertainment will once again be provided by the nearly famous St. Bonaventure Players, as well as other special guests.

Invitations will be sent out to all spouses of current members in mid-January, but it is not too early to indicate you will attend. Please mark the event on your calendar and to confirm your attendance, please contact either Ian Clark at 278-7366 or Ray Martin at 278-5609.

Please remind your ladies of this special evening in their honour.

Ian Clark
Chairman, Ladies' Appreciation Night Committee

December Pancake Breakfast



The second pancake breakfast of this Columbian year was held on December 7, 2003. The breakfast had the largest turnout in a couple of years (other than our Stampede Breakfasts which only charge \$1 per person). As an added feature we served a fruit cocktail for dessert. This was very well received and will be a staple of the breakfast in the future.

The 504 hungry customers fed at this breakfast resulted in revenues of \$911.82, including donations of \$96.82. Expenses were \$346.92 resulting in a profit of \$564.90, which will be donated to Mission Mexico.

On behalf of Peter Mannistu and myself, I would like to thank all who volunteered (and especially Bro. Art Levins who worked the whole breakfast from 5:54am to 2:15pm and to those who worked a double shift) for their dedication and hard work in making this a successful social event for the parish as well as for the benefactor of the proceeds.

Bros., please mark your calendar for the next pancake breakfast to be held on February 1, 2004. Please call either Peter Mannistu @ 201-9337 or myself to volunteer for any of the three shifts.

Bro. Dave Fischer
Pancake Breakfast Co-chair

Jokes Corner

The elderly pastor was cleaning up his office one Friday morning. In the back of the office, he found a small box containing 3 eggs and one hundred \$1 bills.

He showed his secretary the box to ask her about the box and its contents. Embarrassed, she admitted having hidden the box there for the last 25 years. Disappointed and hurt, the pastor asked her, "WHY?"

The secretary replied that she hadn't wanted to hurt his feelings. He asked her how the box could have hurt his feelings. She said that every time that he had delivered a poor sermon, she had placed an egg in the box.

The pastor felt that 3 poor sermons in 25 years was certainly nothing to feel bad about, so he asked her what the \$100 was for. She replied, "Each time I got a dozen eggs, I sold them to the neighbours for \$1."

Activities Roster

Chaplain-Fr. Bill Stephenson 278-7556

Communication and PR-Mike Isakeit 278-5967
 Community Activities Dir.-Paul Schulz 613-4181
 Charities Appeal-Lloyd Bichel 271-2620
 John Boulanger 271-2562
 Charitable Requests- Mike Isakeit 278-5976
 Knight of the Month-Ray Kelly 278-0141
 Council Activities Director-George Pinckney 278-9988

Father Cahill Foundation-Pat Dolan 271-3950
 Fellowship Barbecue-James Bolan 271-7150
 Paul Schulz 613-4181
 Fellowship Breakfast-Dave Fischer 278-2275
 Peter Mannistu 201-9337

Handi-Boat-Chris Medernach 251-3770
 Knightride-Andy Lewandowski 271-6636
 Respect for Life-Chic Paolini 271-8587
 Keep Christ in Christmas-Jay Senevirathe 236-1276

Council Historian-Vic Berezan 271-5991
 Fraternalism-Ken Lyster 278-7995
 Art Levins 254-2085
 Garage Sale-Kim Bazant 278-3637
 Grey Cup Pool-Denis Fleming 271-2465
 Hockey Pool-Kevin Turner 278-8198

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 Knightline Editor-Brian Trafford 278-9627
 Knightline Printing-Armand Audette 225-0296

Telephone Committee-Armand Audette 225-0296
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 Web Page-Ron Van Paridon 278-4713
 Computer Technology-Ron Van Paridon 278 471

Council Roster-Glenn Murphy 271-9690

Fraternalism-Art Levins 243-1703
 Ken Lister 278-7995
 Telephone Committee-Armand Audette 225 0296
 Family Activities Director-Don Rasko 271 7365
 Children's St. Nicholas-Syd Howlett 278-9504
 Family of the Month-Barry Redmond 720-0228
 Family Day Celebration-George Pinckney 278-9988
 Family Skating Party-Con O'Keefe 278-1714
 Ladies Appreciation Night-Ian Clark 205-6850
 Nativity Scene-Denis Fleming 271-2465
 Wellness & Visitations-All Knights
 Youth Activities Director-Kevin Turner 278-8198
 Altar Server's Outing-Bud Conroy 278-2779
 Basketball Free Throw-Ron Timmons 271-6047
 Bryan Alcock 225-0416
 Catholic Scouts-Mike Isakeit 278-5967
 Student of the Month-Doug Easton 278-3326
 Youth Group Liaison-Michael Meyers 257-0744
 Youth Safety on Internet-VACANT
 Youth Scholarship-Doug Easton 278-332
 Coloring Contest-Don Teunissen 257-4887
 Jacques Dupres 278-7416

Program Director-Ray Martin 278-5609
 Insurance Field Agent-Peter Tremblay 938-3223

Parish Council-Mark Richards 225-2475
 Marion Hour-Frank Van Gisbergen 278-8158
 Seder Supper-Ron Gagnon 271-3040
 Vocations-John Leszkowicz 278-7264
 Blood Donor Clinic-Chris Medernach 278-8062

2003 - 2004 COUNCIL EXECUTIVE

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 OUTSIDE GUARD - KIM BAZANT 278-3637
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 TRUSTEE 2 YEAR - WALTER HERDZIK 238-3171
 TRUSTEE 3 YEAR - ARTHUR LEBLANC 271-4243

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CALENDAR
JANUARY 2004**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 7:30PM Executive Meeting	8	9	10 7:00 PM Past State Deputy Ball
11	12	13 7:30PM General Meeting	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 7:00 PM Basketball Free Throw	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

FEBRUARY 2004

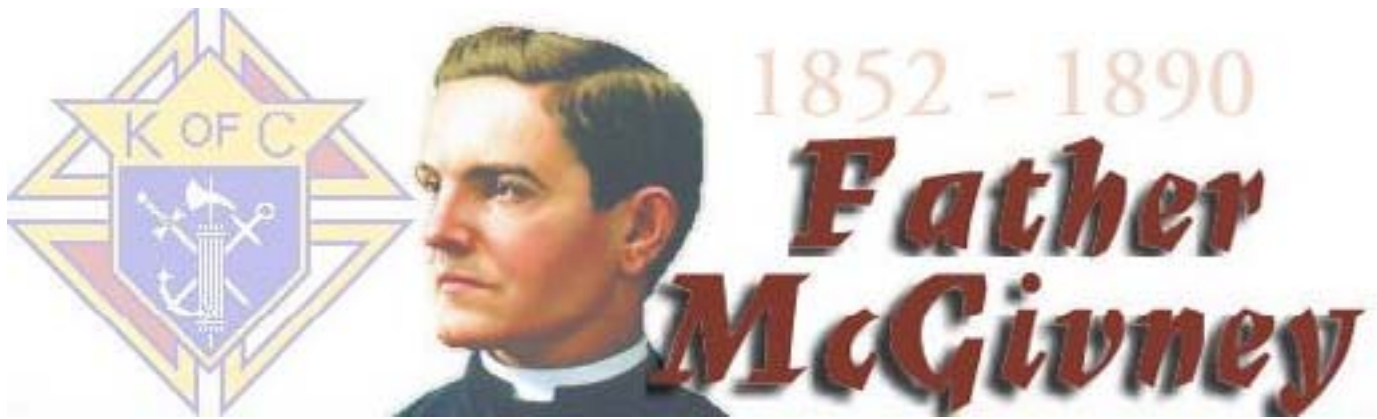
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 2:00PM Family Skating Party	2	3	4 7:30PM Executive Meeting	5	6	7 6:00 PM Ladies Appreciation Night
8	9	10 7:30PM General Meeting	11	12 Padre Night	13	14

Please call the event chairman if you can help at the following events:

Jan 22 Basketball Free Throw contact Ron Timmons 271-6047

Feb 1 Family Skating Party contact Con O'Keefe 278-1714

Feb 7 Ladies Appreciation Night contact Ian Clark 278-7366



The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by a 29-year-old parish priest, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, CT. Today, more than a century later, the Knights of Columbus has become the largest lay organization in the Catholic Church.

The Order has been called "the strong right arm of the Church," and has been praised by popes, presidents and other world leaders, for support of the Church, programs of evangelization and Catholic education, civic involvement and aid to those in need. Founded during era of anti-Catholic bigotry, the Knights has championed religious rights throughout its 121-year history.

Since it was incorporated on March 29, 1882, the Knights of Columbus has grown from several members in one council to more than 12,000 councils and over 1.6 million members throughout the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Guatemala, Guam and Saipan.

Prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbour. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favour I now present (*here make your request*). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.