



# Ascension Council 7991

## Knight Herald

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Humboldt Broncos Junior Hockey Team -  
Humboldt Sask.

We will all remember the magnitude of the disaster which took the lives of so many and left many others with serious injury. The pain and suffering of their loved ones and friends cannot be described. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

### GREETINGS MY BROTHER KNIGHTS:

It's hard to believe but almost a year has gone by since I became your Grand Knight. Overall I would have to say it's been a very successful 10 months. We've experienced both sides of the spectrum. Having said that, the positives far outweighed the negatives. A great deal of thanks needs to go out to all the volunteers for your extreme effort and time put in over these months! As the Grand Knight, I am deeply grateful. It wouldn't be appropriate of me and it would be very difficult to particularly name specific Knights as there have been many that stepped up each and every time to cover

all the bases. You all have my deepest gratitude. To point out one or two very successful Council's endeavours would be appropriate. Our Basketball Free Throw Competitions immediately comes to mind. This year over 900 students participated within our district! Last year we had just over 600 students. This is a huge increase and again it could not have happened without the almost 20 knights who volunteered of their time to make this happen. In addition we saw a huge increase in parent and grandparent participation. The bleachers were full at each of the venues in each of the schools! It's also gratifying to all the 'pancake breakfast' volunteers to see the number of breakfasts we've served especially the last 2 breakfasts. It's important to mention that the all proceeds from these pancake breakfasts were dedicated to the church building and maintenance funds. This year our Council will hold a total of 6 pancake breakfasts with the proceeds going toward our church building and maintenance (most of which will be for the new roof). Again as in the past our Council and it's various charities that we sponsor will have donated approximately \$40,000.00 toward these groups and organizations. Yes, this Council does make a difference! It's to this end that a worry has crept in. In spite of the very good works that our Council carries out year in and year out, our membership is declining and the same approximately 20 or so volunteers who are counted on for each and every function are quite simply, becoming tired. We need our younger Knights to step up! We need our younger Knights to attend our meetings and start to fill in the gaps! There has been a meeting or two in the past little while where we have been hard pressed to form a quorum. We

need a stronger commitment also from the 'rank and file' to attend these meetings. It's when you attend and learn about our goals and the different projects being looked at that you get an appreciation for the whole of the Order. There is no soft, quiet or fuzzy way to say this...if we don't have your participation, sooner or later the Council will fail. Attendance is important! Attendance means getting and being involved. It also means friendship and brotherhood and a duty as a Knight to serve. This Council was formed approximately 36 years ago and over that period has proven it's worth time and again to our Parish our Church and our Community. It's a legacy that shouldn't be taken lightly. To this end as your Grand Knight I ask for your commitment and only to the extent that you are able in attending our meetings and functions. I'm asking for a commitment of 1 ½ hours per month. That is about the length of a meeting. If you can do more you will be most welcome to attend work groups etc. Brothers,we have some work to do and we will get this done with the help of us all!

Thank You All      God Bless

*Rum Hykaway, Grand Knight.*



## Calendar of Events

Events for 2018';

General Meeting; Thurs. May 3rd 7.00 PM at the Parish Hall. Your Attendance and Participation is vital for the continued well being of the Council.



Sat. May 26th , 2018  
Garage Sale. Please contact Br. D. Belliveau at 259-927-1200 if you have items to

contribute or wish to help out.

The 2018 Lifestyle Books are now available at \$27.00. Contact Br. Ray Misanchuk at (250)607-8950 or Br. Tony Antoniuk at (250)752-9152. These books are very useful and make a great gift to family and friends.



On April 15th, 2018 the Pancake Breakfast Teams once again swung into action and produced an excellent feast with over 100 meals served after both Sunday Masses. Again our special Thanks to the team members and particularly Br. Wayne L. who performed double duty. It was reported the Council realized a gain of approx. \$1,300.00 which will be directed toward the repair of the roof at Ascension. We once again tip our hats to the many Knights who worked so hard to make the breakfast a success. They ask no questions but simply roll up their sleeves and work. We are indebted to them all.

Council 7991 currently has 92 members. We look forward to seeing more members attending monthly meetings. We would encourage Council members to consider finding new candidates interested in joining the Knights of Columbus. This is an organization that fills your heart and mind with joy of giving to others and the feeling that comes with making a difference. We strive to make this community a better place while supporting our Church. It is not only the camaraderie but being involved with the community, supporting our Church , enhancing

our faith and protecting our family. If you cannot attend a meeting and wish to comment or make suggestions please do so via e.mail, phone call or letter to the Grand Knight.

Should you be looking for some neat KofC goods you may check out [www.knightsgear.com](http://www.knightsgear.com) . This is the official on line store of the Knights of Columbus.

The Council 7991 Website, [kofc7991.com](http://kofc7991.com) has recently been redesigned, information updated, members photos added along with new photos of events. Members should check their information personal data under the title 'Members' and contact Br. P. Horsfield for any corrections or additional information you wish to add. Certain data is password protected and you may contact Br. Horsfield directly if you require any assistance to access the website.. He may be contacted at [peterlhors@hotmail.com](mailto:peterlhors@hotmail.com) or call Br. Peter at 250-248-8869.

Great story in the April 2018 issue of the "Columbia" on Ron Turcotte, the Hall of Fame Jockey who won the Triple Crown on 'Secretariat' in 1973. Ron Turcotte has been a 51 year member of the Knights of Columbus at St. Michael de Drummond Council 6841 at Drummond, New Brunswick.

The 'Columbia' April 2018 also has an interesting article on 'Knighthood' and the 22 Rules on Knighthood written more than 500 years ago by Erasmus of Rotterdam.

A PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS



We Thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf; Fill your priests with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to new depths of union with your Son. Increase in them profound faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us. Lord Jesus Christ, grant that these, your priests, may inspire us to strive for holiness by the power of their example, as men of prayer who ponder your word and follow your will. O Mary, Mother of Christ and our mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones, so dear to the Heart of your Son. Intercede for our priests that, offering the Sacrifice of your Son, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.

St. John Vianney, universal patron of priests, pray for us and our priests.

PEACE; St. Francis de Sales.

Look not forward to what might happen tomorrow; the same Everlasting Father, who cares for you today, will care for you tomorrow - and every day. Either He will shield you from suffering, or He will give you the unfailing strength to bear it. Therefore, be at PEACE.



Health

To those of our Brothers and their loved ones who may be suffering ill health, we wish you all the best and a speedy recovery.

Please notify the Grand Knight should you require any assistance or favor a hospital visit.

For those who may be travelling, please be careful and stay healthy.



# Healing h u m o r

Some Boeing employees decided to steal a life raft from one of the 747's. Shortly after they took it for a float on a river, they noticed a Coast Guard helicopter coming toward them. It turned out the chopper was homing in on the emergency locator beacon that activated when the raft was inflated. They no longer work at Boeing.

An Irish Priest was transferred to Texas. Fr. O'Malley woke up one fine Spring day in his new West Texas Mission Parish. He looked out the window but saw there was a jackass lying dead in the middle of the front lawn. He called the Sheriff's office. The conversation went like this; "Good Morning, this is Sergeant Jones, how might I help you?"

"And the best of the day te yerself. This is Fr. O'Malley at St. Ann's Catholic Church. There's a jackass lying dead in me front lawn and would ye be so kind as to send a couple o'yer lads to take care of the matter?"

Sgt. Jones, thought he was a wit and recognizing the foreign accent thought he'd have a bit of fun, replied ; "Well now Father, it was always my impression that you people took care of the last rites?" Fr. O'Malley replied; "Aye, 'tis true; but we are also obliged to notify the next of kin first, which is the reason for me call!"

One Sunday morning, a mother went in to wake her son and tell him it was time to get ready for church, to which he replied, "I'm not going!". "Why Not?" she asked. "I'll give you two good reasons," he said "#1- they don't like me and #2- I don't like them." His mother replied, "I'll give you two good reasons why you SHOULD go to church; #1 You're 59 years old, and #2 You're the Pastor!"

A golfer is cupping his hand to scoop water from a Highland burn at St. Andrew's Golf Course. A groundskeeper shouts; "Dinnae drink tha waater ! Et's foo ae coo's shite and pish !" The golfer responds; "My good fellow, I'm from England. Could you repeat that for me in English ?" The Keeper replies; " I said use two hands - you'll spill less that way !"

"Bread is like the Sun; It rises in the 'Yeast, and sets in the Waist"

## The Historical Side;

In Jan 1800, the first soup kitchens were opened in London, U.K. for the relief of the poor.

## KNIGHTS IN ACTION ;

A number of Council 7991 members led by Br. D. Belliveau assisted in moving furniture to the home selected for the new refugee family sponsored by the Church of the Ascension. The family was scheduled to arrive at Oceanside on April 17th, 2018.

Twenty-five of our Council members volunteered at the recent Stations of the Cross.

Council members also contributed many hours to the Basketball Free Throw which was well attended by parents and grandparents. A new record of participation was set and we Thank Bros. Marcel and Wayne for their outstanding efforts.

We have learned that Bro. Tony DUNN has accepted the position as Lecturer for Council 7991. Congratulations Bro. Tony !

Bro. Peter HORSFIELD has agreed to serve as the Council's Inside Web Master and will work with Br. Chris LEWIS, our 'Outside Web Master'.

The Council has once again been asked to assist at the CWL Fashion Show on May 17th, 18'.

The 2018 Beach Fest has been scheduled for July 13th to August 19th. Council 7991 has submitted an application to once again serve as 'Ambassadors' at the events.

FEB 28TH, 18'; KofC Report its 17th consecutive year of Insurance sales growth. For the 5th yr the KofC was rated one of world's most ethical Companies by an independent centre of research promoting best practices in corp. ethics and governance.

APRIL 16th, 18' ; In partnership with the KofC, the Archdiocese of Harford provides aid to persecuted Christians and other religious minorities in the Middle East. During his recent homily, Chaldean Catholic Bishop of Canada, Bawai Soro, a native of Iraq extended his appreciation to the KofC for their assistance. Bishop Soro said the Christians of Iraq would not have survived without the help of fellow Christians around the world.(KofC Report)



A Question ?

Some people are not comfortable with a line of the 'Apostles' Creed', "he descended into Hell.." Is this another error in translation?The question was raised with GotQuestion.org. 'What is the difference between Sheol, Hades, Hell, the lake of fire, Paradise, and Abraham' Some research suggests the ancient Hebrews had a concept of a place they called 'Sheol' which was the place where the souls of the dead went. It was a place of darkness or a 'holding' place. It wasn't a place of judgement or a bad place. According to the Old Testament, all people who die go to an intermediate state called 'Sheol'. The Hebrew word, unfortunately translated to 'Hell' in some English versions. It has a variety of meanings, including;

1. The unseen realm of the dead.
  2. The grave
  3. The special place where the wicked reside
  4. Simbolically
  5. The place where the righteous are saved from.
- The Hebrew scriptures were translated into Greek around the year 200, the word for 'Sheol' was translated into the Greek word 'Hades'. This was considered to be a dark place. Hence, as we say that Jesus descended into 'Hell', was in fact more of a 'neutral place'.

(Check Google for 'SHEOL')



From Here and There;

"To each there comes in their lifetime a special moment when they are figuratively tapped on the shoulder and offered the chance to do a very special thing, unique to them and fitted to their talents. What a tragedy if that moment finds them unprepared or unqualified for that which could have been their finest hour" Quote W. Churchill)

A Smile; "Mr. Clark, I have reviewed this case very carefully," the divorce Court Judge said, "And, I've decided to give your wife \$775 a week" - "That's very fair, your Honor" the husband said "and every now and then I'll try to send her a few bucks myself."

Meghan Markle will marry Prince Harry in May 2018. Though not a Catholic, Ms. Markle attended Immaculate Heart High School and Middle School a Catholic school in Los Angeles. Until 2013, members of the Royal family were not permitted to marry a Roman Catholic without giving up their standing in line for the throne. The last Catholic King of England was James II who was overthrown in 1688,

The Catholic Register. Oct 1, 17' commented that Canada's Bishops will not be inviting Pope Francis to visit Canada in the near future. Bishop D. Crosby spoke of the ongoing controversy and response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Vatican City- April 30; Pope Francis has decried an attack on a church in Nigeria. 15 people including two priests were killed. There have been a number of attacks in Nigeria recently which may be related to a dispute between farmers and herdsmen.

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