



Ascension Council 7991

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Report from the Grand Knight;

Blessings and Greetings Brother Knights,

Our Council has been very busy since the last 'Herald' publication Nov/Dec 17'. We've had some ups and downs. We started 2018 on a positive note by selling all the 200 Charity Appeal books ordered. I want to thank Br. Peter for taking on the Chair for our Council again this year. Also, thanks to all the Knights who braved the outdoors at the various venues selling tickets. Well done to you all! Our young Catechists once again under the tutelage of Ms. L. Gaetz entered their 'Keep Christ in Christmas' poster coloring contest. 15 students participated and 3 winners were chosen by our Knights Executive. I sent off the 3 winning posters to our State Youth Director for entry into the State competitions. Bros. W. Sapiuha, D. Belliveau, myself and Fr. Mike presented the Certificates to all participants and the winning certificates to our 3 winners.

Once again our Basketball Free Throw was a resounding success. As in the past, students, boys and girls aged 9 to 14 participated from KSS, Balenas, Oceanside, Springwood,

Bowser, Errington, Nanoose, Port Alberni including JP II and Powell River. A special thanks to Br. M. Gaudreault as Chairman and the many Knights that volunteered their time and effort over the weeks the events took place. A record number of parents watched their children at the different venues and from their comments, were duly impressed by our efforts. Engraved plaques were awarded to all the winners. Our Valentine Dinner/Dance though it started out a little shaky ended on a reasonably positive note. We undershot our ticket sales but still managed a good crowd and an awesome dinner. We learned a thing or two, going forward our date will be set earlier for next year. The weather this year unfortunately worked against us particularly with the ticket sales. Also, we missed Bro. Rod and his sales abilities. A big Thank You to Bro. D. Belliveau for stepping up and filling Bro. Rod's shoes for this event.

Our 107th State Convention this year will be held on May 4, 5 & 6th again at the Sheraton Hotel, Richmond, BC. Our Council's delegates this year will be myself (GK) and Bro. P. Horsfield, accompanied by our wives. Thanks to

all the Knights who will be participating in our 'Knights Stations of the Cross' on Friday, March 9th. This year it seems we will have a good turn out for the reading at all the Stations as well as the Cross and Candle bearers. If you haven't signed up there is still time to do so. 'Holy Week Family Night' will be held on March 12th. We are still short many Knights for this event. We need a total of 13 Knights.. (12 Apostles and Jesus). Plse, let me know ASAP if you are able to participate. This is a very important event, especially for the children.

This year, due to a time frame issue, lack of volunteers and many Knights with personal health issues, we decided not to hold our St. Patrick's Dinner and Fund Raiser. As mentioned earlier the time interval between St. Valentine's and St. Patrick's events were too close. Next year we will hold St. Valentine's 1 week earlier and St. Patrick's 1 week later. This will allow a wider spread between the 2 events. On Feb. 15th, I had the honor on behalf of our Council to present a cheque in the amount of \$1,600.00 to the Crossroads Pregnancy Crises Centre at the CWL Shower in our Church hall. With approx. 125 ladies present, all were impressed with the KofC support of this Charity. On Sunday, Feb. 25th, I had the honor on behalf of the KofC and with the help of Bro. Horsfield and our District Deputy W.

Sapieha to present Fr. Mike with his 'Honorary Life Membership'

It's important for me to mention at this time and to ask of all my Brothers to say a prayer for Sister Bev Garton in her continued return to good health. Bev is truly an Angel in our midst and needs our prayers.

Finally, but most importantly, many of our Brothers are hurting with personal health issues. It seems we have been hit with an unusual amount of health problems in our Council. In addition to the 'Good of the Order' prayers we say at our meetings, I ask that each one of us in our own way, say a prayer for our Bros. R. Morrison, P. Tellier, J. Enright, R. Stothers, R. Hykaway, H. Rokosh, plus any other Brother I may have missed.

As your Grand Knight I ask for your continued support and I graciously thank you for all your help in making our events and fund raising endeavours successful. It takes an effort on all our parts and we do this for the good of the whole.

Thank You!

Vivat Jesus;

Rum Hykaway, Grand Knight.



Calendar of Events

Events for 2018';

St. Patrick's Event on March 17th, has been Cancelled.

Friday, March 9th; Stations of the Cross.

Mon. March 12th, 6.15 pm ; Family Night /Last Supper Event.

Sat. May 26th , 2018 Garage Sale.

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 Jan 29th, 2018 the Pancake Breakfast Teams swung into action and produced an excellent feast with 111 meals served after both Sunday Masses. Again our special Thanks to the team members and particularly Br. Wayne L. who performed double duty. It may be recalled that our Council had decided to submit part of the Breakfast income totals to the repair of the Church roof project.

We also tip our hats to the many Knights who worked so hard to make the breakfasts a success. These Brothers prepare for these events several days ahead and are 'up and at it' from early morning on the day of the Breakfast until the last plate is cleaned. They ask no questions or look for a minimal wage cheque. 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.



Photo of the Grand Knight Council 7991, along with District Deputy W. Sapieha and Br. P. Horsfield at the presentation of the 'Columbia Award' to the Council.

Should you be looking for some neat KofC goods you may check out www.knightsgear.com . This is the official on line store of the Knights of Columbus-----

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It doesn't matter how big your house is, how much money you have or wear expensive clothes. Our graves will be the same size. Stay humble!

"Fear is a reaction. Courage is a Decision". W. Churchill



The KofC Council 7991 Choir performed at the December 16th Appreciation Night.



On Sunday Feb 25th, 2018, District Deputy W. Sapieha, Br. P. Horsfield and the Grand Knight of Council 7991 presented Fr. M. Favero with the Gold Honorary LIFE Membership on behalf of the Council and the Knights of Columbus.

On Saturday Feb 17th, Council 7991 held a full house event for the Valentine day Dinner and Dance. Chicken Cordon Blue was served and the Knights Choir performed a great selection of songs. Thank You Br. Dennis for organizing the evening.

Members of the 'Special Olympics Comm.' were to speak at the March 1st General Meeting. This Project has been a great interest to the KofC.



In December 2017, Dep. Grand Knight D. Belliveau received the Appreciation for Service to Council 7991 and to the Community Award.

'BE NOT AFRAID' JP II.

A Marion Hour of Prayer was held on Feb.3rd at the Ascension Church.

The Council sponsored Basketball Free Throw Competitions have been taking place at the Ballenas and Springwood Schools.

The Council 7991 Website is undergoing some renovations. Updates will be forthcoming.



On Feb. 15th, 2018, Grand Knight R. Hykaway presented a cheque for \$1,600.00 to the Crossroads Pregnancy Centre on behalf of the KofC Council 7991.



A photo of Br. Knight Rod Morrison and his family who were voted Knights Family of the Year for Council 7991.

Introducing **Rum Hykaway** - the Grand Knight of KofC - Council 7991.

Rum was born at Gimli, Mb. in 1938 to Ukrainian and Polish parents. The family farm was expropriated by the Gov't during the early yrs. of WWII. The family moved to Wpg. where Rum attended Elementary School. Rum's father had an entrepreneurial spirit and moved the family to Selkirk, Mb. where he entered the Hotel Business. Rum attended Jnr. and Snr. High Schools in Selkirk. Upon graduating from High School Rum commuted to Wpg. where he studied electronics in College. In 1963 Cdn. Aviation Electronics, the company he worked for transferred him and his family to Edmonton Alta. In 1964 Rum left the electronics trade joining a drilling rig manufacturing Co. out of Enid, Okla. with its Canadian Head office in Edm.

Radio broadcasting had always been Rum's passion and having worked as a part time news reader for a radio station in Wpg. he joined a group of young broadcast entrepreneurs. They applied for and received a licence from the CRTC to establish and operate an AM radio station in the Edmonton/Jasper areas. In 1974, Rum left his Co. and moved to Vancouver Island where he took over the AM radio station in Duncan. In addition to several retail businesses as well as radio Rum later sold his business interests and joined an AM radio station in Victoria. At the same time he purchased a radio station in Saskatchewan. In the mid-eighties Rum moved back to Victoria where he obtained a Real Estate licence and spent the next 15 yrs. in Victoria's Real Estate. In addition to Real Estate Rum and his oldest son operated a Marina Pub and Restaurants in Duncan and Nanaimo. Following retirement in the early 2000's Rum keeps busy on a part time basis in the automobile industry. In 2015 Rum married Carol LOW and they reside in Qualicum Beach with 'Joaquin', the cat. Carol and Rum are keen RV'ers and enjoy visiting family as well as their association with the KofC and the CWL.

At a recent sermon Fr. Favero spoke of 'Twelfth-Night Cakes'. We set to work seeking more info and a Recipe courtesy of the trusty

old 'Larousse Gastronomique'. We found the Twelfth Night Cake or best known as Gateaux Des Rois has a long tradition, was well known at Christmas, New Year and Twelfth Night rites. The mystical significance of the festivals is less known today and few now chant when 'the king' drinks;

"Laus au Roy! Nous la lui devons
Il a beu dru!..A nous! beuvons"

Translation' "Laud the king, we owe it to him, He has drunk lustily, It is our turn now. Come let us drink"

Several rituals were associated with the custom of serving this cake and today the practise varies in different regions of France. The 12th Night commemorates the arrival of the Magi, who, led by a star came to offer gifts to the new born Christ.



Here's the Recipe ;Bordeaux Twelfth Night Cake;

3.1/4 sifted flour, 1 cup butter, 20 grams of yeast, 1 cup sugar, 8 whole eggs, 2 tbsp. salt 1 grated lemon rind, Make a ring of the flour on the table, Add the yeast and salt, Mix well. Knead the dough, adding the eggs one at a time. Add the lemon rind and sugar, a little at a time. Add the softened butter. Mix it all, the dough should be fairly limp. Place in a bowl, cover with a cloth and let rise overnight in a warm place. Next day -break down the dough, divide into equal parts. Traditionally these pieces should be formed into the shape of a crown which can be decorated with a thin slice of lemon sprinkled with granulated sugar. Place on buttered parchment paper. Leave to rise in a warm spot for several hours, brush the tops of

each section of dough with a beaten egg. Bake in a medium oven. The head of the house has the honour to cut and serve the cake.

Drug overdose fatalities in the USA in 2016 - Total- 64,000.

Total US casualties in Vietnam conflict 1954 to 1975 - 58,220.

Total US drug overdose deaths in 2015 - 52,404 - of which 32,957 were Men (Source; MH Dec. 2017)

'Lord's Prayer' - In Dec. 2017 the Pope caused an international stir when he suggested that the English translation of the Lord's Prayer was not correct. The line " Lead us not into temptation' is at issue. The Pope said; 'I am the one who fails, It's not Him pushing me into temptation ..' As we know, the words were originally spoken in Aramaic by Jesus, handed down to the Apostles, translated into Greek, then Latin and finally into English some 2,000 yrs. later. (Cath. Reg. Dec 17, 17')

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OPEN FORUM;

FROM THE NATIONAL FRONT;

Dec 1, 2017 - Catholic Civil Rights League; The CCRL presented arguments before the Supreme Court of Canada as interveners in the Trinity Western Univ. Law School case. A decision by the SCC is expected in Spring 2018. This will be a significant high court decision pertaining to religious freedom. (see www.ccrl.ca for more details)

Jan 11, 2018 CCRL; The Canada Summer Jobs Program fiasco is another example of the Govt's abortion absolutism. To be eligible for the 2018 Summer Jobs Program, prospective employers, largely charities must attest that the 'core mandate of the organization' respects 'reproductive rights and the right to be free from discrimination on the basis of sex, religion, race, national or ethnic origin, colour, sexual orientation or gender identity or expression. The document is explicit included under 'reproductive rights' is 'the right to access safe

and legal abortions'.. The CCRL has stated that 'no such right' is part of either the Charter of Rights and Freedoms or of case law. Also, unfettered access to abortion is not supported by a majority of Canadians. A 'Environics/Life Canada poll' indicates that 6 out of 10 Cdns support protection for the unborn at some stage of pregnancy. (see www.ccrl.ca)

Jan 31, 2018; CCRL; Several religious physicians in Ontario have challenged the mandate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario that requires doctors who object to certain procedures on religious or conscientious grounds such as assisted suicide, to provide nevertheless, an 'effective referral' to another physician or caregiver who would perform the service. The Ont. Divisional Court upheld the policy that requires life affirming physicians to act against their religion and conscience. This is an alarming development as it places Ont. doctors at risk of professional complaints for refusing to make such referrals. (see www.ccrl.ca Jan 31, 2018)

Cath.Register Nov 26th , 2017 Art. by G. Argan. "The Cath. church in Alberta and the NDP Gov't are deeply at odds. The differences involve revision of the provincial sex education curriculum, as well as new legislation on gay-straight alliances. As well, there is Premier Rachel Notley's insulting characterization of a Catholic sex education proposal as giving moral legitimacy to rape"

The March 1, 2018 General Meeting will include a presentation by members from the Special Olympics Committee. This project is highly supported by the KofC and the Grand Knight encourages all members to attend this meeting.



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.



On Dec 16th, 17' we said Farewell to Brother Knight, Terence O. Receveur. Terry had been an active member of our Council and will be missed by many.



On the Lighter Side;

"I avoid looking forward or backward, and try looking upward" C. Bronte.

Teacher; How old is your Father?
Kid; He is 6 yrs old.
Teacher; What ? How is this possible?
Kid; He became Father only when I was born!

A man is recovering from surgery when the Surgical nurse appears and asks him how he is feeling. "I'm OK, But I didn't like the four letter words the doctor used in surgery" he answered.
"What did he say?" asked the nurse.
"Oops !"

Time to say Hello to the Irish !



Due to a water shortage in Ireland, Dublin swimming baths have announced they are closing lanes 7 and 8.

After 100 yrs lying on the sea bed, Irish divers were amazed to find that the Titanic's swimming pool was still full.

Paddy is doing some roofing work for Murphy. He nears the top of the ladder and starts shaking and going dizzy. He calls down to Murphy and says 'I Think I will 'ave to go home, I've come all over giddy and feel sick.'

Murphy asks; "Ave yer got vertigo?" Paddy replies; "No, I only live round the corner."

According to a Jan 14th article in the Cath. Register, the Flying Fathers Hockey team has been resurrected. Many of us will recall this Catholic tradition dating back to 1963. They were often compared to the Cdn hockey version of the Harlem Globetrotters and we are delighted to see them back 'on the ice'.

COUNCIL 7991 IN ACTION ;



Photo #1; GK R. Hykaway and Council Chairman Br. M. Gaudreault with the Basketball Free Throw Council Champions.



Photo #2; District Deputy W. Sapiuha and the Basketball Free Throw District 2 Champions



Photo #3; GK R. Hykaway at the cheque presentation to the Oceanside Special Olympics.

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TEN THINGS TO REMEMBER ABOUT LENT.

1. Remember the formula - 10 Commandments, 7 Sacraments, 3 Persons in the Trinity. Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.
2. A time of Prayer - spread over 40 days
3. A Time to Fast; Fasts on Ash Wed. Good Friday and meatless Fridays.
4. A Time to Work on Discipline; 40 Days of personal discipline. In addition to giving something up try and be positive i.e. exercise more, Pray more, enjoy family & friends.
5. Dying to Yourself; Find aspects of yourself that are less than Christ like and let them die.
6. Don't Do Too Much; Keep it simple.
7. Lent reminds us of our weakness;

8. Be Patient With Yourself; God is calling us to be patient and to see ourselves as he does, with unconditional love.

9. Reach out in Charity;

10. Learn to Love like Christ;



On Jan 22, 1592, the Council of Trent, a counter reformation commission established by the Vatican and headquartered in the Northern Italian City, reconvened after a decade long break following the revolt of Protestant princes against Emperor Charles V. In the meantime, all hope of reconciliation between Roman Catholics and Protestants had vanished. (Kgtn.Wig Std.)



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