

THE *VANGUARD*

Council 1394 - 235 Church St., St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada L2R 3E8

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“A VERY SPECIAL CELEBRATION”



***CENTENNIAL MASS & DINNER
MARCH 28, 2009***

Letters from the Executive

Grand Knight's Report

My Brother Knights, I must thank you for your confidence and support in electing me for my 3rd term as your Grand Knight. All of your Executive, will be working hard to fulfil our duties in the running of our Council. I also welcome, all the new members to our ranks. "New members", please bring new ideas, because new ideas help us grow!

Congratulations to the seven new members who just completed their 3rd Degree, on Saturday May 9th, here at our Council's chambers.

Brothers, every member of Council 1394 is on our recruitment team. We have the moral obligation to have every Catholic gentleman join the K of C. "Remember", everyone you meet is a part of "Jesus'" family, and each man should be encouraged to participate in our Principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.



***Grand Knight
Mike Carroll***

We have our calendar planned for the next six (6) months. Our Council is very active and we can accomplish our goals "**by you**" our members pitching in and supporting these projects. Please see our ***Calendar of Events*** in this newsletter. Don't let the

weight of our Council ride on the backs of a few members. "**You**" my Brothers, are the heart of our Council - please participate.

I now bring to your attention our "**Wall of Honor**". Many bricks have been purchased already and I encourage you or your family to purchase your spot before the end of this Centennial year. These bricks are available to **New members** as well as **Life members**. Contact Mike Tapp at (905) 688-1394 if you are interested.

A new Centennial project has come to life. We are requesting a recent picture of you and your wife, your name and your wife's name, and a brief biography - when and where you were born, how long you have been married, info on your children and grand children, where you work, your interests and hobbies, K of C offices you have held etc.

Brothers, your Centennial committee wanted to know about our past, but there was little or no information from the last 100 years. With these biographies, we can tell future members who we were and what life is like in '09. I believe we will fulfil a great purpose. "Participate"!

Your Brother in Christ,

Grand Knight Mike Carroll.

Chaplain's Message



**Father John M. Buis
Chaplin Council 1394**

My Brother Knights, we are about to begin a new Council year. The new officers will be installed on June 22 and plans have been made to organize this coming year. With great enthusiasm, we have celebrated the one hundred years of our Council and we express our gratitude to all those who have put a great

effort to do so. Now as we begin an new year, we don't forget that the Order of the Knights of Columbus is a Catholic organization, founded by Father McGivney in 1882 to come to the help of a great number of people who were in difficulty.

Today, it is maybe different, but there are still groups who need our help. As we are called to put into practice charity, we try to find ways and the means of how to do so. There are two other virtues in our Order, fraternity and unity and to have a good year, we need the help of as many persons as possible.

As Catholics, we are followers of Jesus Christ. He sends us the Holy Spirit to give us the strength to fulfil our Christian vocation. It will be great as we can say at the end of the year we have given life in different forms. Through our efforts, we will be making a lot of people very happy. Let us make a 2010 fruitful.

May God bless you and your families.

Chaplin Father John Buis

In Memoriam

**Michael Victor Del Ben
5 Feb 09**

Des's Corner Centennial Dinner



The highlight of our Centennial Year celebrations was the banquet at St. John's Activity Centre on Saturday, March 28. Some 200 guests joined Bishops Wingle and O'Mara, and our Chaplain Father John Buis for a wonderful meal and entertainment from the Golden Hammers. Also in attendance, were several Monsignors and Parish priests, representatives from several

Knights of Columbus Councils and the State Board. Dignitaries from federal, provincial, and local governments were also on hand to present to our Council, letters and certificates of congratulations.

Our Grand Knight Michael Carroll presented awards to Council 1394 members for their hard work at different events. Des Kennedy and the Grand Knight presented a 100 year old painting of St. Patrick to Father Chris Gillan, Pastor of St. Patrick's Parish. Today it is proudly displayed inside the Church's foyer for everyone to see. The evening concluded with a draw for five prizes totalling \$10,500 and as the guests left they picked up a grab bag with our Centennial logo embossed on it.



Hotdog Sales



So far, two of the five dates have been successfully completed at The Great Canadian Superstore. The next dates are as follows: July 11 & 12, August 8 & 9 and September 12 & 13. We need five members to staff each shift from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm and 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm on both days. Please call the hall (A.S.A.P.) and leave details of when you will help.



Annual Sponsored Walk

The last Sunday in January was once again the Sponsored Walk Day. We had a few more entries this year and Alex Grabowiecki won a \$100.00 gift voucher from Leon's. Alex and Geoff Haimes both completed 200 laps in 60 minutes of walking. Our G K's wife Bannet was the "official" time keeper. A photographer from "Snap St. Catharines" was on hand to record the event. We all had coffee, Tim Bits, and fun and raised close to \$2,000.00 in an afternoon. Please mark your calendar for next January, this could turn out to be our best fundraiser if we could only get more members to take part.



Centennial Turkey Draw



Since this is our 100th Anniversary year, we are expanding our annual Turkey Draw (Nov 20) to have ONE HUNDRED (100) TURKEYS as prizes. In addition we will also have cash prizes every 30 minutes for those present in the hall, and a main cash prize for the ticket holder who is in the hall at 10:30 pm.

We are currently working through the Catholic School Board to sell these tickets in all 19 schools in the St. Catharines - Thorold area. Tickets will be \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 (12 tickets per book) and the schools or clubs (not members) like Catholic Woman's League etc. will return \$12.00 to us with each book of stubs sold.

Wall of Honor

Brothers please check out the "Wall of Honor" in our foyer. We will soon be adding every Church in St. Catharines on all of the half bricks. We would like all members to buy a brick if possible, or try and sell one to some members we don't see so often. It has been a high profile project on the Centennial Committee's agenda and we hope to completely fill this wall in our Centennial Year.



Upcoming Events



The second half of 2009 is going to see a lot of events in our hall, one of which will be a dinner for all Past Grand Knights. We also have planned two dinner dances; one with **Winston James** and the other with **Walter Ostanek**. Dinner and an evening with **Elvis and Friends** on Sept 19th is also planned. All these events will feature top quality catered meals and the tickets will be \$25.00 each or two for \$45.00.

In addition, we will be hosting an evening with dinner for approximately 50 to 60 Clergy who will be invited by His Excellency Bishop Wingle. This event will be held in late October or early November. The usual Columbus Day Dinner (\$20.00) will be on October 10th. Details for the year ending BIG EVENT (which will close our Centennial Year) are still to be finalized for December 31st. Keep watching your weekly Church Bulletins, Snap St. Catharines monthly paper and the Centennial Calendar online for more details.



Des Kennedy

Membership Report

On May 9, 2009, our Council, because of our Centennial Celebration, hosted the Third Degree Exemplification this year. There were 35 candidates including: Edwin King, John Nixon, Alexander Grabowiecki, Victor Di Vincenzo, Patrick Cahill, Glen Baraniuk, and Brian LeBlanc who were from our Council.

After the exemplification all candidates were knighted by District Deputy Thomas Clifford into the the Knights of Columbus. Mass was celebrated by our Chaplin Father John Buis. Following Mass, all candidates with their sponsors, friends and guests were treated with a buffet style dinner catered by "Rosalie's Deli". **Jack Konst**

Car Ticket Sales

I would like to thank all of those Brother Knights who were able to come and help out and support our Car Ticket Sales. Hopefully, we can have more participation next year. Thanks again!
Walter Chemerika

Saturday Night Euchre

Brother Knights and Ladies, I would like to thank you for your support at our monthly euchre party. We all look forward to our next get-together for socialising and fellowship. Please mark the **FIRST Saturday of October** on your calendar and hopefully we can interest more Knights and friends to join us.
PGK Bill Perry

Financial Secretary's Report

I would like to thank our Brothers who have kept their dues current. The cost of mailing out second notices, Knight Alerts and intent to suspend is expensive and time consuming. In our December issue of the Vanguard you will receive your dues notice. It would be a great Christmas present to the Council if everyone paid their dues right away. If you would like to pay before the notice goes out, feel free to do so. There is no change from last year's dues except for the addition of Supreme's Culture of Life Fund.

Welcome to the 5 members who transferred to our Council in the first half of this year plus December 08. Wilfred LaBelle, William R. Mathie, John Currey, Rev. Msgr. Dominic Pizzacalla and George Rahal transferred in Dec. 08. Congratulations to our new Knights who have taken their 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees. Also, congratulations to PGK John Dulong who became our newest Honorary Life member on the 8th of May 2009. At this time we have 86 regular, 72 Honorary Life, and 4 Honorary members for a total of 163 members on our roster.



Michael Tapp
Financial Secretary

Editor's Comments



Brian Whittaker
Editor & Webmaster

We are halfway through this whirlwind of a Centennial year. Your Centennial Committee has been meeting monthly and preparing new events for the next six months.

Hats off to the Committee on hosting an unforgettable Centennial Mass and Dinner on March 28. Almost 200 people were in attendance and a special thank you to Father Anton and his staff for an excellent meal and service.

To reinforce the message of our Grand Knight's letter, we need more members to come out and participate in the various events our Council is hosting.

We have monthly Bingo, Euchre Parties, the Hotdog Boys are out in full force on a monthly basis and of course we have our Business Meetings on the second Monday of every month. Please try to attend these events, your assistance is greatly needed.

Our Turkey Draw in November plans to be a huge one. 100 turkeys are up for grabs this year and we will need every member to make an effort to sell tickets. Other upcoming events will include: Clergy Night, Elvis Night, Walter Ostanek Night, an Open House, Dinner and Dance with Winston James, Columbus Day Dinner, Children's Christmas Party and of course our New Year's Eve Bash. Please see the Calendar of events in this newsletter and try to support your Council. Enjoy a safe Summer!

A Note from the Deputy Grand Knight

As we enter into the fraternal year 2009 - 2010 I would like to thank Des Kennedy my nominator and Joe Karabinos my seconder for the office of Deputy Grand Knight. I am honoured to be on the Executive of Council 1394 for another term, which I will serve to the best of my ability.

On June 23rd, I had the privilege to present watches to the candidates' for Academic Achievement from Denis Morris High School at Brock University. The other High Schools receiving awards were St. Francis and Holy Cross. The presenters of these awards were Carl Pearson and William Mathie. The award recipients were extremely thankful to our Council 1394 and all of our Brother Knights.

Remember, there are many events scheduled for the summer and fall months, so I ask my Brother Knights to get involved and receive the gift of giving. Peace, Joy and the Love of God be with you and your families. Have a safe summer.



Ron Adams
Deputy
Grand Knight

**CONGRATULATIONS TO RAY LIBROCK OUR NEW DISTRICT 6 DEPUTY FROM
MONSIGNOR FELIX SMYTH COUNCIL 8378 AND THANKS TO THOMAS CLIFFORD
FOR ALL OF YOUR FINE WORK OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS AS OUR DEPUTY.**

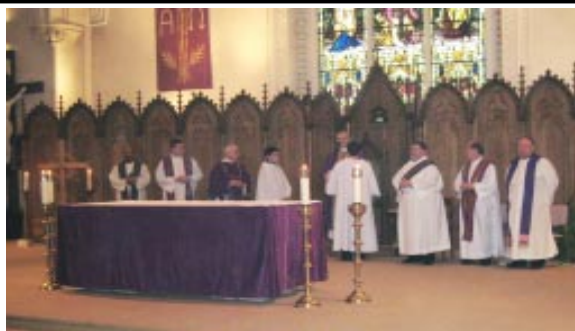


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**Of Service To God
And Our Great
City Of St. Catharines**

OUR CENTENNIAL SIGN AT GALE CRESCENT AND GENEVA STREET IN ST. CATHARINES



Calendar of Events

JULY – DECEMBER 2009

Mon. Jun. 29	Eastern Rites Mass @ 7:00 pm
Sat. Jul. 11	Delta Bingo @ 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Sat. Jul. 11	Hot Dog Sales @ Superstore
Sun. Jul. 12	Hot Dog Sales @ Superstore
Mon. Jul. 13	General Business Meeting @ 7:30 pm
Wed. Jul. 15	4th Degree BBQ @ St. Mary's Church
Sat. Jul. 18	Grand Knight's BBQ - 54 Tunis St. 5:00 pm
Sun. Jul. 19	Wells of Hope Golf Tournament
Sun. Jul. 26	1394 Open House - 2:00pm - 4:30 pm
Wed. Jul. 29	Centennial Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Sat. Aug. 8	Delta Bingo @ 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Sat. Aug. 8	Hot Dog Sales @ Superstore
Sun. Aug. 9	Hot Dog Sales @ Superstore
Mon. Aug. 10	General Business Meeting @ 7:30 pm
Wed. Aug. 19	4th Degree Dinner Meeting
Sat. Aug. 22	Past Grand Knights Dinner
Wed. Aug. 26	Centennial Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Sat. Sep. 5	Delta Bingo @ 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Sat. Sep. 12	Hot Dog Sales @ Superstore
Sun. Sep. 13	Hot Dog Sales @ Superstore
Mon. Sep. 14	Business Meeting @ 7:30 pm
Wed. Sep. 16	4th Degree Dinner Meeting
Sat. Sep. 19	Elvis & Friends Dinner Show @ 6:30 pm
Wed. Sep. 30	Centennial Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Sat. Oct. 3	Delta Bingo @ 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Sat. Oct. 3	Euchre Night @ 7:00 pm
Sat. Oct. 10	Columbus Day Dinner @ 6:00 pm
Mon. Oct. 12	General Business Meeting @ 7:30 pm
Oct. 19 - Oct. 25	Turkey Ticket Sales @ Pen Centre
Sat. Oct. 24	Dinner/Dance - Winston James @ 6:30 pm
Wed. Oct. 28	Centennial Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Sat. Oct. 31	Delta Bingo @ 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Sun. Nov. 1	Breakfast 9:00 am - Noon (Free for Members)
Sun. Nov. 8	Breakfast @ the Hall 9:00 am - Noon
Mon. Nov. 9	General Business Meeting @ 7:30 pm
Sun. Nov. 15	Breakfast @ the Hall 9:00 am - Noon
Wed. Nov. 18	4th Degree Dinner Meeting
Fri. Nov. 20	100 Turkey Draw & Fun Night - 7:00 pm
Sun. Nov. 22	Breakfast @ the Hall 9:00 am - Noon
Mon. Nov. 23	Memorial Mass @ 7:00 pm
Wed. Nov. 25	Centennial Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Sat. Nov. 28	Delta Bingo @ 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Sun. Nov. 29	Breakfast @ the Hall 9:00 am - Noon
Sun. Dec. 13	Children's Christmas Party
Mon. Dec. 14	Business Meeting @ 7:30 pm
Sat. Dec. 26	Delta Bingo @ 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Wed. Dec. 30	Centennial Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Thur. Dec. 31	Closing Centennial Event (Details to follow)

**Dates to be announced for
"Clergy Night" and
"Walter Ostanek Night"**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS ALSO AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE!
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Columbus Club 2009 – 2010

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Director for (2) Years	Ronald Bak
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