



December 2008



**GRAND
KNIGHT'S
REPORT**

*Brother Knights
and Families*

I would like to thank everyone who attended our Columbus Day banquet; we had a very good turnout with 160 in attendance. The dinner was awesome thanks to our talented caterer, Bill Gyori. Later when the music started, our DJ Reg Major kept them up and dancing and all had a great time.

Highlights of the award presentations were as follows:

The Family of the Year was awarded to Mike and Dolores Specht. Their commitment to the Knights of Columbus and the Church is greatly appreciated. I thank them very much for everything they do for our community and our council.

Knight of the Year was awarded to Leonard Tetreault. Leonard truly exemplifies the spirit of a Knight of Columbus. His commitment and dedication to this Council and the Church is very much appreciated. Thank you Leonard for all your help and support this past year.

Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Alex Wade, Leo Emery, Courtlyn Meloche,

Jim Wigle, Lawrence Beneteau and Paul Peltier. Thank you Brothers for all that you do for the benefit of this council and our community.

We are well into our fraternal year and will be getting busy with various events. Brother Reg Major and I have discussed doing some events to help raise funds for roof repairs. Reg has come up with a plan to do a series of dinner and music nights. The first event will be on December 6. This event is being advertised to businesses in town in which they can have their small company Christmas party at our hall. Council members may also like to form a group of family and friends for their own party. The hall will be in sections to accommodate your party and you may decorate your section as you like. It will be a chicken and rib dinner. Reg Major will provide the DJ services and promises great music to get the party up and dancing and having fun.

There are also a number of other ideas that we will be discussing at our board meetings to help raise funds for roof repairs. No matter what, the roof needs attention and we must make this our main focus at this time.

We have had two special meetings concerning the hall with some spirited discussion. We now need that same spirit from the membership to step up to the plate and support the events that are being planned. Two ways to do this: attend the events or offer to help with the events. We can have the best plan in the world, but if we don't get the support, our efforts will fail.

Our next council meeting will be a dinner meeting on December 2 with dinner at approximately 6:15 pm. Hope to see you there.

Since we will not have a bulletin again until after the holidays, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and all the best in the New Year.

Vivat Jesus!
Fraternally,
Tim Lauriault
Grand Knight



**DEPUTY
GRAND
KNIGHT'S
REPORT**

*Greetings Brother
Knights*

Our last newsletter was a couple of months ago, so here are a few things to update you on. First, for those of you who have not heard, we have two new members to the St. John's board. Thank you to Brothers Pat Warren and John McLaughlin for coming on board. Also, thank you to Brother John for accepting the position as our new Chair of the board. Together they should have some new ideas and insights. I think they will work well with the other board members. As we all know, the next few months will be filled with decisions to be made in regards to our hall. So again, thank you for coming forward to help out.

The Regional Soccer Challenge was held September 20 in Windsor. This council was represented by two participants this year. Both participants did well in the competition as they finished first and second respectfully in their age divisions. Congratulations to Robyn Tetreault who finished **First** in the Girls age 14 division, and to Marciano Olivito who finished **Second** in the Boys age 11 division.

Our annual Columbus Day banquet was held on November 8th. The night went very well, as the food, wine and music were enjoyed by all. Thank you to GK Tim and wife Kim for doing another excellent job. Congratulations to all the recipients of this year's awards. There are many names to mention, and I could not possibly print them all. Brothers, all of your contributions do not go unnoticed in the council.

Thanks to the staff for their excellent effort to present us with such a wonderful meal. Those who could not make it, hope to see you at next year's banquet.

As we quickly approach the Advent season let's all start preparing room in our hearts for the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. This will be a particularly difficult season this year due to the changing economy, and higher than normal unemployment. Please keep others in mind, and if you know of someone in distress, let us know as there may be things we can do as a council. We truly are here to help our fellow man.

If anyone is interested follow the address below to the Kingsville council website to download your own copy of the Mysteries of the Rosary. Each mystery is about twenty minutes long and is really easy listening to. You are led through all the prayers for your own personal meditation. This is free, so you can download directly to a cd. Here is the address to follow:

<http://www.stjohndebrebeuf.rcec.london.on.ca/council8233.htm> then just click the link.

"Food for thought"...I don't know why some people change churches.

What difference does it make which one you stay home from?

Fraternally

**Leonard Tetreault,
Deputy Grand Knight**

**Important St. John's Board Meeting
Decision on the future of the K. of C. Hall
Thursday, December 18 at 7.00 p.m.**

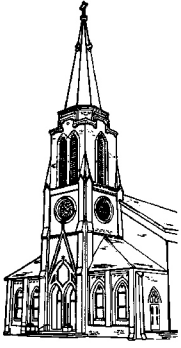
Consultant's Report: John Purdie C.M.A.

Discussion on options:

Sell the property and build a parish hall.
Sell the property and obtain a new hall.
Maintain the property and initiate repairs.

Vote

Meeting is open to Council 2110 members in good standing. Bring your membership card.



CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

As we journey through December and January, we enter into the season of Advent and new liturgical year. This is the opportune time to begin again and with greater zeal to allow the love of God to transform us. Also there is a change from year A which concentrated on the Gospel of Matthew to year B in which Mark's Gospel will be read. Most of the Gospel is read from the beginning of Jesus' ministry (Mk 1:14-20) through the discourse on the coming of the Son of Man. (Mk 13:24-32).

Another theme that dominates the season of Advent is peace. This is especially relevant today as we pray for peace in our world and for those in the armed services who have sacrificed to defend peace and freedom. "Blessed are the Peacemakers", Jesus says in the Beatitudes. May our attitude during this season and especially as we prepare for Christmas be one of peace and reconciliation.

Father Brian Jane



FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

For our brother Knights who are currently paying dues, you will notice a slight increase this year as voted on by the council. The increase is only \$2.00 for regular dues and \$1.00 for HL etc. This increase is extremely modest and considering the increases in State and Supreme levies and inflation since they were last raised. The council would have had to raise the dues almost \$10.00 if it wanted to compensate for those factors since the last increase. When you take off the levies from State, Supreme, the hall for our maintenance fee, Diocesan Association and expenses for clerical work (printing, paper etc.), it only leaves \$15.00 left of the

\$50.00 for the council to work with. The HL etc., which pay 1/2 dues, are not assessed the hall fees or we would be in the red for those members. Other sources of income are used to keep our council from going broke, which will have to be relied on in the future to keep dues from going up if possible.

For the members who have an email address, but are not receiving your bulletin that way, please let us send it to you by email. Currently less than 1/4 of our council is receiving the bulletin by email. It is very important to keep our members informed. If we can email it, we could save at least \$1.00 for every bulletin and more important, the time it takes to mail it.

Supreme has sent us new Form 100's. As of January 1st, the old green forms will no longer be valid and accepted by Supreme. The order has been given for all old forms to be destroyed. When signing up a new member, or reinstating a member, the new forms must be completely filled out (they are now a whole page long) before Supreme will accept them. They also ask if you would like to start an annuity instead of asking if you would like to buy insurance. If you would like to get one of the new forms, they are at the hall.

We have lost nine members who have passed away this year. Six new members and three members transferred into our council offsetting the members who passed away. However, two members withdrew and three members were suspended for dues non-payment making it a loss of five members so far this year. It is important to keep recruiting new members in order to keep up the numbers in our council. The membership numbers are as follows: 285 active members of which 16 are Honorary, 65 are Honorary Life and 7 are disabled.

**Fraternaly yours,
Paul Peltier**

KNIGHT'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday Dec.6th Chicken and Rib dinner, music entertainment by **Whadda Knight DJ** services. \$15 per person..

Get a group together. Decorate your section and have your own group Christmas party.

Tickets at the hall or call 519-736-4870.

LECTURER'S REPORT

Brother Knights,

About 1 year ago, we had Mary Ann from Canadian Blood Services speak at our meeting about the importance of donating blood. Since then, our Council has joined a program called Partners For Life. As members of this program, we have committed to donate 36 units of blood this year. So far, we have donated 30 units. The next Blood Donor Clinic is on December 17th at our hall. It would be nice if we could get at least 6 donations from our members, families or friends. I don't know if you know but you can register your name with Canadian Blood Services and our Council will automatically get credit for your donation. You can also register members of your family and friends.

Please contact me at lbeneteau@xplornet.com or call me at 519-736-5653 for further details.

If any member has a guest speaker that they would like to have at our meetings to talk about a specific topic, please call me and let me know and we'll see what we can do to get the speaker at one of our meetings.

Have a Blessed and Merry Christmas.

Brother Lawrence Beneteau
Past Grand Knight, Former District Deputy,
Past Faithful Navigator

COLUMBIAN LADIES 2110 REPORT NOVEMBER 2008

The Columbian Ladies Auxilary is a busy one. Our main objective is to assist the Knights of Columbus in any way we can. Our current membership stands at 69 ladies.

Our Charity Fundraising Functions:

- a} Assist the Knights at their monthly breakfasts
- b} Hold a series of Euchre parties on Sunday nights twice a year
- c} Have a two day indoor yard sale in May
- d} Hold a one day Craft/Bazaar sale in November

Charities We Support:

- a} Canadian Diabetes Society
- b} Arthritis Society
- c} St. John The Baptist Church Restoration
- d} Relay for Life -Cancer
- e} The Canadian Cancer -Walk-a-Thon
- f} Wigs for Kids
- g} Community Services Care-A-Van, Food Bank, St. Vincent De Paul Society
- h} Flowers for the church at Easter and Christmas
- I} Supported World Youth Days trips to Germany, Rome and Australia.

Barbara Deneau
President

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, November 30:** Ladies Auxiliary Crafts/Bazaar Sale from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.
- Saturday, December 6:** Chicken and Rib dinner. Music entertainment by Whadda Knight DJ services. \$15 per person. Set up your own group. Great dinner! Great price! Great Music by DJ Reg!
- Saturday, December 13:** Pig Day starts at noon. Cash or canned food donation please.
- Saturday, December 13:** Crystal's Country Christmas. 7.00 p.m.
- Thursday, December 18:** Hall Report Meeting by John Purdie C.M.A. Every member should attend.
- Mon/Tues, December 22-23:** Goodfellow Baskets. Starts at 4.00 p.m. both days
- Wednesday, December 31:** New Year's Dinner and Party. Tickets at the bar. Call 519-736-4870.

Fr. Bernard O'Donnell Council Executive: 2008---2009

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday Breakfasts: December 7th, January 11th, February 15th and March 15th from 9a.m. to noon
Buffet style, \$6.50, children \$3.00, Preschool no charge.

Senior Parties are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month except July and August. Age 55 plus.

Mondays: \$2.00 burgers. Served from noon until 2.00 p.m.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER PARTY

\$35 PER PERSON

MUSIC BY WHADDA KNIGHT DJ

Salad, Relish tray, buns and butter;
Cabbage rolls,

Pork cutlets, gravy, vegetable medley
Roast beef, mushrooms, gravy
Variety of cheese cakes
Tea and Coffee

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN 2009

A number of projects will start in 2009 which will need members' volunteer support and effort.

Watch for the VOLUNTEER sign-up board at the hall or go online to our website in January to read about what needs to be done and how you can help.

Visit our website at kofc2110.com. to keep informed.

Remember to keep Thursday, December 18, open for the Hall Report meeting which starts at 7.00 p.m.

**Mark Your Calendar
For Our Next Seminar**

Thursday, January 29, 2009 – 7 p.m.

**Knights of Columbus Insurance
300 Cabana Road E. Lower Level
Windsor, ON
519-966-9977**

Investment Options for Funds
Sterling Mutuals Inc.

**Tax Savings Safety Check and "New" Tax Free
Savings Accounts**
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This is a free seminar to our Members and their families but
you must call to reserve a seat. Feel free to invite a friend.*

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