

Knights of Columbus

Winnipeg (St. John Brebeuf) Council #1107



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Grand Knight's Report

As most of you know, Dan is now the District Deputy. Under State requirements Dan cannot hold this position as well as being Grand Knight of this council. As such, I move from Deputy Grand Knight to Grand Knight for the remainder of the year. Dan's shoes are impossible to fill and I will attempt, with your assistance and guidance, to continue to make our council a vibrant and active council.

This change in your executives coincides with 2 major milestones that are occurring within our council. 1) We have just completed celebrating our Centennial which I believe was a wonderful and memorable year for all of us. 2) The St Gianna's round table has now formed a new council. The St. Gianna's council received its Council number, 14199, in early January. We congratulate St. Gianna's and the brother knights that have embarked on this new journey. However, with the good that comes to the Knights of Columbus and a new council comes a reduction in our council's membership. The formation of this council will result in a reduction of our membership by close to 25%.

While this reduction in membership may appear to have a negative impact on our council I see this as an opportunity. It is an opportunity to renew our focus and to build a strong core of Brother Knights and a fraternal bond that will assist us in attracting new members.

With this in mind, my objective for the next 5 short months is to begin building this strong core of Brother Knights and to develop a stronger fraternal bond between all of us. To do this we will include work/play functions as part of our program. This may include organizing our storage facilities, repairing our casino

equipment, providing basic manpower to the parish in areas that need minor repairs, and initiating games that we can all participate in.

In order to free up our time and not add to our already busy schedules I plan to start our general monthly meetings on time at 7:30 with adjournment to be between 8:30 and 8:45 followed by an activity and socializing that we can all participate. To keep our meetings within this time line minutes will be circulated prior to the meeting for acceptance (or revisions) as circulated. For this upcoming meeting I have arranged for a cribbage tournament to follow the meeting.

Within this bulletin you will find a list of our upcoming events with the brother knight responsible for the event. I know each of these brothers would be pleased if you contacted them to let them know you will assist. Such action on your behalf will fulfill their needs, reduced their time to recruit assistance, and go a long way to develop our fraternal bond.

During the first month of 2007 our council has held a very successful Pancake Breakfast (we even ran out of food) and a successful Basketball Free Throw. I would like to give a heartfelt thanks to all who assisted in these community building events. In addition after the January executive meeting the executive did a major reorganizing of our Knights of Columbus room. Within an hour and a half we performed a minor miracle on a room that one could not enter. This example of working together on a common cause demonstrates our giftedness to be of service to one another and to our parish community.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FIRST DEGREE

MONDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2007

REGISTRATION 7 PM

DEGREE 7:30 P.M.

ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA CHURCH HALL

CORNER OF JESSIE AND STAFFORD

GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2007

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MULTI PURPOSE ROOM - SJB

STATE MEMBERSHIP BLITZ, RETENTION AND RECRUITMENT SEMINAR

ST. JOHN BREBEUF GYMNASIUM

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 17, 2007

9 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED

ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

ST. JOHN BREBEUF PARISH HALL

FEBRUARY 20, 2007

TIME: 6 PM

CONVENOR - JIM RODRIGUES

MANITOBA STATE COUNCIL BONSPIEL

FEBRUARY 23 – 25, 2007

ST. JAMES COUNCIL #4557

ASSINIBOINE MEMORIAL CURLING CLUB

REGISTER WITH GRAND KNIGHT

EXECUTIVE MEETING

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 28, 2007

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

MULTI PURPOSE ROOM - SJB

COLUMBUS COURTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

WEDNESDAY MARCH 7, 2007

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

ICCD MAJOR DRAW

SATURDAY APRIL 21, 2007

ST. ANNE COUNCIL #4819

MANITOBA STATE CONVENTION

MAY 4, 5 AND 6, 2007

Winnipeg (St. John Brebeuf) Council #1107 Executive for the Columbian Year 2006-2007

Grand Knight	Grant Nazarko
Deputy G.K.	
Chaplain	Msgr. Ward Jamieson
Fin. Secretary	Michael Garlinski
Treasurer	Aurèle LeClaire
Recorder	Vacant
Advocate	James Rodrigues
Chancellor	Vacant
Warden	Joe Brekelmans
Inside Guard	Marcel Lauzé
Outside Guard	Vacant
Trustee 3yr.	Ben D'Souza
Trustee 2 yr.	Bob Girouard
Trustee 1 yr.	Vacant
Program Director	Bob Girouard
Church Director	Jim Rodrigues
Community Director	George Ferris
Council Director	Grant Nazarko
Youth Director	Richard Desrochers
Membership	Bob Girouard
Family Director	Joe Brekelmans
Lecturer	Leonard Schmidt
Public Relations	Paul Mazur
Pro-Life Director	Todd Dobson
Columbus Courts	George Ferris
Bulletin Editor	Bob Girouard
District Deputy	Dan Shepherd

FIRST, SECOND & THIRD DEGREE

Saturday March 31, 2007

Hosted by Winnipeg (St. John Brebeuf)
Council #1107

St. John Brebeuf Parish Hall

FIRST DEGREE

Registration 8:30 AM

First Degree: 9:30 A.M.

MAJOR DEGREE

Registration 11 AM

Major Degree – 12 (Noon) Sharp

Pre-registration

1st Degree – Bob Girouard 488-2968

Major Degree – Dan Shepherd – 488-4636

Obituary

STANLEY JOSEPH HANS - On Tuesday, January 16, 2007, after a brief illness, Stan passed away peacefully, surrounded by family. He will be sadly missed by his wife Anne. Stan was an Honorary Life Member of Council #1107. Stan was in his 44th year as a member of the Knights of Columbus.

JAMES BERNARD (BERNIE) GILL – On Thursday February 1, 2007, Bernie passed away peacefully. He is survived by his wife Ann and 3 children. Bernie joined the Knights of Columbus in 1950 as a member of Council #1107. In the Knights of Columbus, he held the position of Grand Knight, District Warden, State Deputy and Faithful Navigator.

Trustees' Report

With the formation of the St. Gianna Council on January 2, 2007 Council #1107 has been re-shaped dramatically. As was to be expected, 23 of our members have transferred to the new Council. This formal gesture has terminated our involvement as a Round Table sponsor. Additionally, these transfers have created four vacancies on our current executive Council. In order to fill these vacancies, a run-off election will be held at the February 14th General Meeting. The positions which will be filled for the remainder of the Columbian year are: Chancellor, Recorder, Outside Guard and Trustee. Nominations from the floor will be accepted. The nominating committee will bring forth a slate of names to expedite the process. Vacancies at the Activity Directors level will be filled by the Grand Knight as required.

On another topic, the Financial Secretary has recently mailed out the invoices for the 2007 Council dues. Please ensure that you look after this matter promptly. The Council status is in jeopardy if these obligations are not kept. Be aware that \$16.70, for each member, is assessed by Manitoba State Council for their use.

Basketball Free Throw

The results of the Council Basketball Free Throw competition are as follows:

Boys:

Age 10:

1st: Andrew Cordileone
2nd: Mark Jaskiewicz
3rd: Kieren Mclsaac

Age 11:

1st: Kanwar Bhangu
2nd: Marc-Andrew Moralis
3rd: Paul Soubry

Age 13:

1st: Christopher Schmidt
2nd: Will McPherson
3rd: Chris Caron

Girls:

Age 10:

1st: Nicole Bailey
2nd: Sara Tcheon
3rd: Katrina Hood

Age 11:

1st: Emily Barber
2nd: Rhea Teranishi
3rd: Stephanie Brekelmans

Age 13:

1st: Orlagh O'Sullivan

Age 14

1st: Ashley Brekelmans

The first place winning entries will compete in the District Basketball Freethrow on February 24th.

Family of the Month

January 2007

Family of David and Cheryl Bruneau

Don't forget to nominate someone for Family of the Month. Please contact the Family Director (Joe Brekelmans) or nominate someone online via the council website.

Columbus Courts

**Wine and Cheese Social
Friday February 16
253 Edgeland Blvd.**

**Sponsored by Council #1107 and
Council #5808
7 PM**

**All Council members and spouses
are encouraged to attend.**

District Basketball Freethrow

Saturday February 24
St. John Brebeuf Gymnasium
Registration 9 A.M.
Contest – 9:30 A.M.

Fourth Degree

The Fourth Degree was created to be the publicly visible arm of the Knights of Columbus. Sir Knights wear distinctive regalia. The guiding principle of the Fourth Degree is Patriotism. Captain Miles MacDonell Assembly #0370 was chartered in 1972. It draws its membership from 12 Winnipeg Councils. The members provide honour guards and colour parties for funerals of members, parish celebrations, Remembrance Day Services, New Year's levees and civic parades.

Applications for membership into the Fourth Degree are now being accepted. The next Fourth Degree exemplification will take place on Saturday, June 9th, 2007.

Please see any Fourth Degree member if you would like to consider advancing in the Order.

**Go for the Fourth!
Reach your highest potential**

Grand Knight's Message

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I look forward to the upcoming months to see the successes we achieve in building the strong core of Brother Knight's with a strong fraternal bond.

Yours in Christ,
Grant Nazarko

Notice of Motion:

That the Council donate, in assets and/or in kind, an amount not to exceed \$1,500 to St. Gianna Council #14199.

Shrove Tuesday Supper

Tuesday February 20th
St. John Brebeuf Parish Hall
6 P.M.
Silver Collection
All welcome
Convenor: Jim Rodrigues

ICCD

Books of tickets are available from Bob Girouard. Our next date at Grant Park Shopping Centre is April 9th to 14th.

Council Website

The website is a good place to get all the latest news concerning the Council. New information is added every week. Please check often for new updates. Many pictures, including many from recent Christmas activities are available to view on the web site. Don't forget to use the web site to nominate someone for family of the month. A new council member's only area has been created for private council info. Please contact Joe Brekelmans to get your user id and password. The address is

<http://www.kofcwinnipeg.org>