

# Knights of Columbus

Winnipeg (St. John Brebeuf) Council #1107



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## Grand Knight's Report



My Fellow Knights

I find it hard to believe that 30 months has passed since I took on the responsibilities of Grand Knight for our council. The passage of time seemed to fly by. As I write this, my last message as Grand Knight, I reflect upon these past 30 months. Where to start?

When I accepted the role as Grand Knight, after Dan Shepherd became District Deputy, my objectives were:

- To develop fraternal ties within our membership by providing more opportunities for socializing.
- To meet our new membership objectives.
- To recruit new members to the executive to ensure the council has fresh ideas and energy.
- To be visible within our parish and to provide service in conjunction of other organizations in the parish.

I believe I have fulfilled most of my objectives and leave it to you, my fellow Knights, to make that assessment.

My first thoughts turn to the Brother Knights that are no longer with us. Over these past 3 years we have experienced the death of many fellow Knights.

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## Chaplain's Report



Dear Brother Knights,

In the Gospel of John (21.15 ff.) Jesus asks Peter, "Do you love me?" Peter responds that he does love Jesus. Jesus then tells Peter, "Follow me." Many in our community over the Easter season received sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist) as their way of saying "Yes" to that question of Jesus to them, "Do you love me?"

Jesus asks us that question - not because He doubts that we do- (though sometimes we do sin, and that is not love), but to remind us to follow Him. How do we follow Jesus? We do that most effectively by our acts of love for God shown by what we do with and for others.

Stewardship is the realization that we belong to God; everything we have is a gift from God. Gifts are meant to be shared, for that brings great joy to the one sharing and those with whom one shares. To love God is to know that we are created in His own image and likeness; that we have been graced by God's spirit yet more through our baptism and confirmation. Jesus reminds us that we are His witnesses and we are to bring His love to the whole world. Paul the Apostle, whose year we have been celebrating, speaks of our being stewards of the Good News so we can share it with others. Let us pray that those who have just received these sacraments of initiation- and we, ourselves, will grow in our love of God and, as good stewards,

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## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **GENERAL MEETING**

ST. JOHN BREBEUF: DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM  
WEDNESDAY JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2009  
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

### **FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION**

ST. MARTYRS  
SATURDAY, JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2009

### **COLUMBUS COURTS**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
COLUMBUS COURTS  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2009  
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

### **DISTRICT BBQ**

ST. JOHN BREBEUF PARISH HALL  
SATURDAY JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2009  
MASS: 5:00 P.M.  
COCKTAILS 6:00 P.M.  
STEAK BBQ: 6:45 PM  
TICKETS: \$8.00  
CHILDREN: FREE

### **EXECUTIVE MEETING**

SJB PARISH HALL  
WEDNESDAY JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2009  
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

### **49<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FIELD DAY MASS**

INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDEN  
SUNDAY, JULY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2009  
ROSARY: 11:45 AM  
MASS: 12:00 NOON

### **MANITOBA STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT**

KINGSWOOD GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2009  
REGISTRATION: 11:00 AM  
SHOTGUN START: 12:00 NOON

### **COOKS CREEK PILGRIMAGE**

INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDS  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>  
WAY OF THE CROSS: 4:00 PM  
DIVINE LITURGY: 5:00 PM  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2009  
MASS 10:00 AM

## **Council Website**

The website is a good place to get all the latest news concerning the Council. Please check often for new updates.

There have been over **4,600** visits to the website, including visitors from **USA, Philippines, Germany, Netherlands, Israel, India, United Kingdom, Australia, Switzerland, Ireland, Taiwan, Russia, Iraq, Hong Kong, Korea, Bulgaria, Malaysia and Dominican Republic.**

The address is

<http://www.kofcwinnipeg.org>

Any suggestions for content or pictures to add to the archive should be sent to [jbrekelmans@shaw.ca](mailto:jbrekelmans@shaw.ca).

### **Winnipeg (St. John Brebeuf) Council #1107 Executive for the Columbian Year 2008-2009**

Grand Knight	Grant Nazarko	489-3748
Deputy G.K.	Lawrie Caron	885-1047
Chaplain	Msgr. Ward Jamieson	
Fin. Secretary	Joe Brekelmans	488-3892
Treasurer	Aurèle LeClaire	489-6996
Recorder	Gordon Danylchuk	475-8330
Advocate	James Rodrigues	488-2157
Chancellor	Michael Garlinski	255-5195
Warden	Jack Blair	488-2201
Inside Guard	Marcel Lauzé	489-4266
Outside Guard	Todd Dobson	489-0335
Trustee 1 yr.	Bob Girouard	488-2968
Trustee 2 yr.	Dan Shepherd	488-4636
Trustee 3 yr.	Ben D'Souza	489-6602
Program Director	Grant Nazarko	489-3748
Church Director	Lawrie Caron	885-1047
Community Director	Todd Dobson	489-0335
Council Director	Mike Garlinski	255-5195
Youth Director	Dave Bruneau	487-6495
Membership	Bob Girouard	488-2968
Family Director	Joe Brekelmans	488-3892
Lecturer	Grant Nazarko	489-3748
Public Relations	Joe Brekelmans	488-3892
Pro-Life Director	Todd Dobson	489-0335
Columbus Courts	George Ferris	981-7305
Bulletin Editor	Joe Brekelmans	488-3892
Webmaster	Joe Brekelmans	488-3892
District Deputy	Dan Shepherd	488-4636

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Gone before us are: **Gilbert Dias, Joseph Flood, Stanley Hans, Fritz Hanssen, Bernard Kirby, Theodore Laplante Dr. Albert Martin, Rev. Frank McGee, Ronald Mulligan, John Murphy** and **Dr. John Scatliff**. These men made contributions to the Knights in action and example and we should all be grateful.

My next thoughts turn to each of you. Each member has made a contribution that best suits their circumstances. Perhaps this is one of the benefits of being a Knight as it allows each gentleman to make their own commitment of time and talent to our council.

As Grand Knight I urge each member to take on an active role in the council, be it on the executive or volunteering to help at events. Wouldn't it be wonderful to disprove the adage "that 80% of the work is done by 20% of the members"?

The achievement that we have made over the last 2 ½ years is a result of the contribution of many. With that there are many to thank.

To the executive I thank you for taking on so many responsibilities and working with me throughout my tenure. Many of you have gone beyond your duties.

I especially would like to take this opportunity on your behalf to thank those that have done a yeoman's job. To **Lawrie Caron**, who has been our chef for most of our meals and has balanced both a full time job and a second evening job while always finding time to assist with our events. To **Bob Girouard** who always seem to find time for our councils activities while balancing his responsibilities at State and with Captain Miles MacDonell 4th Degree Assembly. To **George Ferris** who was the driving force for our ICCD ticket selling, finding volunteers to sit at our various selling booths, and when no one was available it was George who filled in, sometimes for many hours. This is besides his commitment to Columbus Courts

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## Chaplain's Report

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share that with others. To help in that prayer, I give you the Stewardship Prayer:

Almighty God, I give thanks for all that I have and all that I am.

Most of all, I give thanks for the great gift of Your Son, Jesus.

I pray that through a personal relationship with the Risen Christ, my heart will be open to continued conversion in my life.

I pray that I may be a good steward: that I will follow faithfully, serve joyfully, give generously, live responsibly, and possess sensibly.

In gratitude for the abundant gifts You have so graciously given to me, I return to You the first fruits of these gifts, through acts of service and by generously sharing all that You have entrusted to me. Heavenly Father, by Your Holy Spirit, help me to be a gift to others in Your Name. Amen

Vivat Jesus!



Reverend Monsignor D. Ward Jamieson, V. G.  
Pastor, St. John Brebeuf Parish  
Chaplain, Council #1107

## Stewardship Thought

Prosperity often makes us forgetful of the source of our blessings. Rather than saying thank you for what we do have, we grumble because we do not have more. A grateful person is a thoughtful person, an incurable optimist and a religious person, in the sense that the source of these blessings is known. A grateful person, therefore, is a good steward.

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and the various pancake breakfasts and barbques. To **Joe Brekelmans**, there are few words to acknowledge the hard work he has performed on your behalf. Taking on the Financial Secretary responsibilities while preparing our newsletter, our web site, participating in all events, and board member of Columbus Courts are only a few of his contributions. As recipient of the State's "Knight of the Month" is a testament of his commitment to our council.

To our Chaplain, **Msgr. Jamieson**, I thank him for his support, his advice, and his commitment to have the Knights assist in making St. John Brebeuf parish a dynamic and welcoming home for all members of our church.

Not withstanding the contribution of the men previously mentioned I would also like to thank those for being ready to contribute by volunteering or agreeing to help when asked. To **Mario DiFonzo, Ron Castelane, Aurèle LeClaire, Gord Danylchuk, Richard Desrochers, David Hood, David Bruneau, Todd Dobson, Don Barnicki, Rich Mayhew, Ben D'Souza, Ed Melo, Roy McPhail, Marcel Lauze, Jack Blair, Paul Mazur, Tom Crew, Garry Back, Rene Dusanek, Felix Sandron, Al Simoens, Nick Fox, Michael Wilcox, Omer DeWandel, Jim Rodrigues, Dan Shepherd, Chris Armstrong, Mike Thibert and Mike Garlinski** - A big **THANK-YOU**.

When I look back at the names I have mentioned above I am energized by the great opportunities we have to take our council to new successes. I hope each of you feel the same energy and that each will make a commitment to step up to the plate and volunteer, before being asked, for many of the events and roles that will come forth under our new executive.

To the new executive, I congratulate you on taking on your responsibilities, and I look forward to working with you in the coming year.

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Let us all make our next year a huge success by assisting and attending in many of our events. (see the upcoming events calendar in this newsletter)

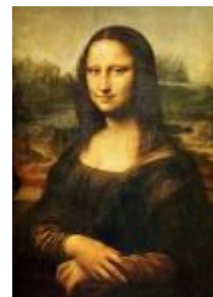
Vivat Jesus,

Grant Nazarko

Grand Knight, Council #1107

## Art Show

Council 1107 has approved to undertake an art exhibit and sale as a major fund raiser for the fraternal year 2009-10.



The dates of this event are scheduled for **May 7th, 8th and 9th, 2010**. This event will take place in the St. John Brebeuf school gym and will include the participation of approximately 45 of Manitoba's better artists who will exhibit and sell their art works and contribute a portion of their proceeds to our council designated charities. The event will be coordinated by K of C Council 1107 and will require time and effort from both council and parish members.

It is intended that this be an annual event. More information to follow.

P.S. We are searching for a "name" for this art exhibit and sale

## Council Address Books

Council address books are being created for the new Columbian year and should be ready before we begin in September. The directories will list each member of our council, their address and phone number and, if applicable, their wife's first name.

The address books will be available only to members of our council. If you **do not** wish this information to be shared, please contact **Joe Brekelmans** at **488-3892** or [jbrekelmans@shaw.ca](mailto:jbrekelmans@shaw.ca).

## I Already Have Insurance At Work

Many jobs offer some form of group term life insurance. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at no charge, or for small co-pay. Knowing that this coverage exists may convince someone that he doesn't need to discuss personally owned life insurance with a professional agent. That would be a mistake.

Most forms of group life insurance are limited in amount. That amount may be tied to salary or some other benchmark, but often there is a cap. That cap may be dangerously low for your family's needs should you die. In fact, in the absence of a detailed needs analysis (which I'll be happy to provide, free of charge), any employer-provided coverage may be completely unrelated to needs at death.

In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced, (usually dramatically) or possibly stops – when you retire. At this time, if allowed to keep this coverage, you will probably be required to start paying for this yourself since you are no longer part of this group.

The most important fact is that all term coverage ends at a specified age, with the Knights of Columbus it is age 69. So unless you are certain that you will pass away prior to this age, you will leave nothing for your loved ones, not even coverage for final expenses.

Especially today, there is the very real possibility that you could change employers or lose your job. Or that your benefits could be reduced. In either case you could – one day - find yourself without coverage. If your health has changed in the meantime, you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection.

While group life helps, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a free, custom-tailored, needs analysis, so that you'll know exactly where you stand.

I'm at 589-5831 or [john.rydzygowski@kofc.org](mailto:john.rydzygowski@kofc.org). Call me. Let's talk.

## Election of Officers 2009 - 2010 Columbian Year



**Elections were held on May 13<sup>th</sup>. The following were elected to serve a one year term (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010)**

Grand Knight	Lawrie Caron	885-1047
Deputy G.K.	Roy McPhail	231-2040
Treasurer	Aurèle LeClaire	489-6996
Recorder	Gordon Danylchuk	475-8330
Advocate	James Rodrigues	488-2157
Chancellor	Grant Nazarko	489-3748
Warden	Jack Blair	488-2201
Inside Guard	Alan Simeons	488-8987
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Outside Guard	Omer DeWandel	261-8256
Trustee 1 yr.	Ben D'Souza	489-6602
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*Congratulations to all who have agreed to accept the nomination and who were subsequently elected to the various positions.*

The following are the members who have been appointed for the 2008-09 Columbian Year. The Grand Knight will be reviewing these appointments and will make the appropriate changes for the 2009-10 Columbian Year.

Program Director	Grant Nazarko
Church Director	Lawrie Caron
Community Director	Todd Dobson
Council Director	Mike Garlinski
Youth Director	Dave Bruneau
Family Director	Joe Brekelmans
Membership	Bob Girouard
Lecturer	Grant Nazarko
Public Relations	Joe Brekelmans
Pro-Life Director	Todd Dobson
Bulletin Editor	Joe Brekelmans
Web Master	Joe Brekelmans

### Ongoing appointments

Chaplain	Msgr. Ward Jamieson
Fin. Secretary	Joe Brekelmans
District Deputy	Dan Shepherd

## **Columbus Courts Incorporated Knights of Columbus**

St. Ignatius of Loyola Council #5808 & Winnipeg (St. John Brebeuf) Council #1107

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### **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**TO:** ALL MEMBERS OF **COLUMBUS COURTS INCORPORATED**. THAT IS ALL MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA COUNCIL #5808 AND OF WINNIPEG (ST. JOHN BREBEUF) COUNCIL #1107.

Take notice that the Annual General Meeting of Columbus Courts Incorporated will be held:

Place: Columbus Courts, 253 Edgeland Boulevard, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Date: **Wednesday June 17th, 2009.**

Time: 7:30 P.M.

#### **Agenda**

1. Notice of Meeting – Secretary (read and confirm publication.)
2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting held June 18, 2008.
3. President's Report
4. Manager's Report
5. Committee Chairman's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Auditor's Report and Financial Statements
8. Nominating Committee Report and Election of Directors.
9. Appointment of Auditor for ensuing year.
10. Such other business as might properly come before the Annual Meeting.

Note 1: A quorum of twenty (20) members is required to meet legal requirements for this meeting.

Note 2: Immediately following this Annual General Meeting, the Directors will meet to elect the officers for the coming year as well as to select the date of the next Board Meeting.

DATED: at Winnipeg this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2009.

R.D. Girouard  
Secretary

## Humour Corner

One day a fisherman was lying on a beautiful beach, with his fishing pole propped up in the sand and his solitary line cast out into the sparkling blue surf. He was enjoying the warmth of the afternoon sun and the prospect of catching a fish.

About that time, a businessman came walking down the beach, trying to relieve some of the stress of his workday. He noticed the fisherman sitting on the beach and decided to find out why this fisherman was fishing instead of working harder to make a living for himself and his family.

“You aren't going to catch many fish that way,” said the businessman to the fisherman, “you should be working rather than lying on the beach!”

The fisherman looked up at the businessman, smiled and replied, “And what will my reward be?”

“Well, you can get bigger nets and catch more fish!” was the businessman's answer.

“And then what will my reward be?” asked the fisherman, still smiling.

The businessman replied, “You will make money and you'll be able to buy a boat, which will then result in larger catches of fish!”

“And then what will my reward be?” asked the fisherman again.

The businessman was beginning to get a little irritated with the fisherman's questions. “You can buy a bigger boat, and hire some people to work for you!” he said.

“And then what will my reward be?” repeated the fisherman.

The businessman was getting angry. “Don't you understand? You can build up a fleet of fishing boats, sail all over the world, and let all your employees catch fish for you!”

Once again the fisherman asked, “And then what will my reward be?”

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## Humour Corner

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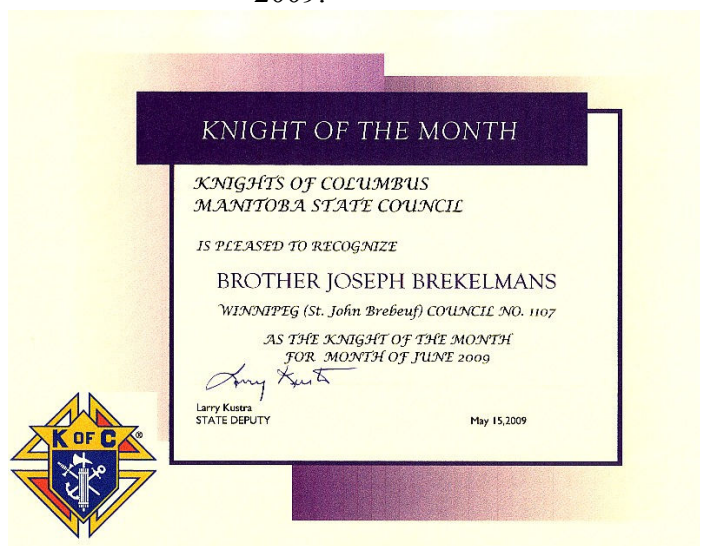
The businessman was red with rage and shouted at the fisherman, “Don't you understand that you can become so rich that you will never have to work for your living again! You can spend all the rest of your days sitting on this beach, looking at the sunset. You won't have a care in the world!”

The fisherman, still smiling, looked up and said, “And what do you think I'm doing right now?”

## Hats Off



Congratulations to Brother **Joe Brekelmans** who was chosen by Manitoba State Council as the **Knight of the Month** for June 2009.



## Good of the Order

If you or someone in your family is ill and you would like to have their name printed in the bulletin, please contact the editor, Joe Brekelmans at 488-3892 or [jbrekelmans@shaw.ca](mailto:jbrekelmans@shaw.ca).

If you know of a Knight or family member who is sick or has passed away, please contact Brother Leonard Schmidt who will arrange to send a get-well or sympathy card.

# 2009 MANITOBA STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT

- Kingswood Golf & Country Club
- Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup> 2009
- Shotgun start time 12:00 noon
- Hole-in-one Prize
  - a 2009 Terry Ortynsky Nissan Car
- Included with \$80 Golf Entry Fee
  - Green Fees & Cart
  - Registration & Entrance Gifts
  - Special Tee Competitions
  - Roast Beef Dinner
  - Giveaway Prizes and More



**Hosted By Winnipeg (St. John Brebeuf) Council #1107**  
Information and Registration Forms Available at [www.kofcwinnipeg.org/golf](http://www.kofcwinnipeg.org/golf)

## Manitoba State Golf Tournament

Our council will be hosting the Manitoba State Golf Tournament this year. This is a rare event for our council to showcase the talent of our council and in addition, raise funds.

We have several "hole sponsors" signed up but are looking for more. If you know a business that would be willing to sponsor a hole at this tournament, please contact the coordinating committee listed below.

We are also in need of help on the day of the tournament. If you are not golfing but are able to come and help out, please let us know. Finally, if you are golfer, please register soon for the event. Registrations forms can be found on the web at <http://www.kofcwinnipeg.org/golf>.

For more information, please contact:

Dan Shepherd    Joe Brekelmans    Ron Castelane  
Bob Girouard    Omer DeWandel    Guy Coughlin

## 23rd Annual District #1 Barbecue

Join us for our barbecue party

St. John Brebeuf  
Parish Hall

Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup>

Mass: 5 PM

Cocktails: 6 PM

BBQ: 6:45 PM

Steak - \$8.00

Children - FREE



See Grant, Bob or Dan