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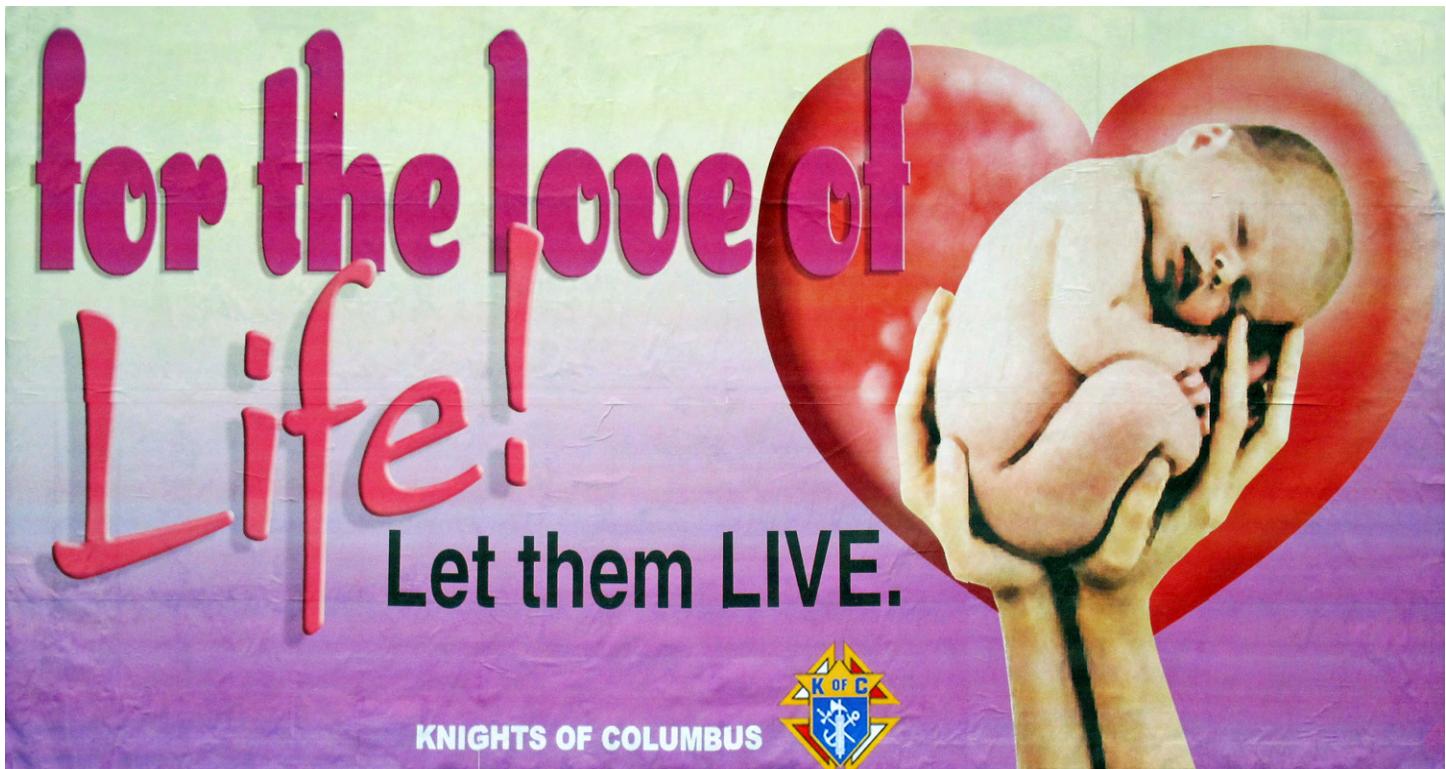


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Grand Knight's Report

By S/K Larry Judge

Dear Brother Knights,

As most of you know, when I took on the position of Grand Knight, I had only been a Knight for just over one year. When I was approached about being the Grand Knight, one of the things I really needed was a strong Deputy Grand Knight who knew the ins and outs and would be there to assist me if I started to go astray. Sir Knight Dave Cody stepped forward and for that Dave, I thank you.

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Feeding The Flock

Submitted By Father Tim Harrison

Missionaries and travelers are often deeply touched by the generous hospitality of very poor people who welcome them into their homes and set before them the choicest foods they have to offer. Sometimes the host even goes without eating or waits until the guest is finished. The gracious guest may feel guilty about depriving his host, but he gives that host the gift of receiving this generous offering. Asked to remember the best meal of his trip, such a traveler will often name the rice and beans heaped on his plate in a poor dwelling over the fancy fare in a gourmet restaurant.

In the same way, Jesus commends this poor widow who gave God "two small coins, ... her whole livelihood." He says she gave more than those whose larger donations represented their surplus, their leftovers (Luke 21: 2-4).

In contrast to the widow, those of us who have an abundance of material goods can be so busy taking care of them that we have little energy left over for reaching out to others. But which of these two people are more free?

By giving away everything she has to live on, the widow is casting herself on God's mercy. There is no one and nothing else to sustain her. In truth, we are all in her position, whether we recognize it or not. We depend on God for every breath we take, everything we are and have. But few of us fully live in that reality! Even in subtle ways, we act as if we can take care of ourselves just fine. But this way of thinking leads us to bring God our leftovers rather than our first and best offerings.

In what area is God inviting me to more generous with him today? Perhaps it's setting aside a tithe for his work before paying the month's bills. Perhaps it's praying at the time of day when I'm most alert instead of after all my other responsibilities are taken care of. Perhaps it's giving someone a hand even if my projects at home aren't finished. Perhaps it's asking for God's help before I exhaust every other resource and become desperate.

Where can I give out of my livelihood, not just my surplus?

Grand Knight's Report

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I needed some help without having a lot of knowledge about the inner workings of the Knights of Columbus. I had some ideas of what I wanted to change and wanted to accomplish in my new position. So I called on some of the "more experienced members" (notice I didn't say older) to bounce around ideas. For that, David Crawford, Len Libitz and Tom Leeder, thank you for your time and encouragement.

The executive was a fairly new executive with approximately six or seven members who had never held an executive position in the past. This executive has worked very hard over the past two years and I have nothing but praise for your work ethic and support. I know some of you really didn't like the idea of wearing the robes, but I think it is critical to keep some of our customs, to remind us of from where we come. So I say, "Thank You."

One of the most important positions of any Council is the Financial Secretary. Paul has done a terrific job and has been of great assistance to me. He keeps everything up to date and is quick to respond to any requests. Paul, thank you very much!

I would now like to especially thank you, the members. NO Council can be successful without your involvement and support. We have had discussions on many different issues both for and against; this is healthy for any organization.

Personally, an increase in participation was my ultimate goal and was the theme for my first year as Grand Knight. You have risen to the challenge, especially some of the new members. In the past, some programs had only three or four people and those same people worked on almost every program. Now, we have doubled or tripled that number. One great example is Jack's report on how many members have helped to sell car raffle tickets.

One of our members who had moved back after being away said he "had never seen the council so active and full of life." This is a tribute to you, my brothers!

In summary, my time as Grand Knight has been very rewarding and a great experience. It has given me the chance to get to know a lot of you much better. As I move onto another part of my life, I ask that you pray for God's guidance and support for me.

Vivat Jesus!
S/K Larry Judge

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETINGS

Date: September 16, 2010

Place: St. John Bosco Church

Time: Executive 5:15 p.m.; General 7:00 p.m.

Support your brothers; come to the meetings!

LARKIN ASSEMBLY 1893 MEETING

DATE: September 20, 2010

PLACE: St. Mark's Parish Centre, Prescott

SUPPER: 6:30 p.m.

JOHN SANDS CONCERT

DATE: August 27, 2010

PLACE: St. John Bosco Church

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

Tickets available from Al Minifie or at the door.

Light lunch to follow.

NEW OFFICER TRAINING

DATE: SEPTEMBER 2010

PLACE: KINGSTON, ON

TIME: TBA

1049 & 1893 INSTALLATION MASS

DATE: SEPTEMBER 12, 2010

PLACE: ST. JOHN BOSCO CHURCH

TIME: TBA

District Deputy's Dissertations By S/K Alain Langlois

'Tis the season for holidays. Watch for our District Deputy's Dissertations and exposé returning this September in the newsletter. Have a great summer!

Council 1049 Monthly Meeting Attendance

April = 27

May = 19

June = 37

**Join us for the next general meeting on
September 16, 2010 at St. John Bosco
Church at 7:00 p.m.**

On The Move

Archbishop O'Brien has announced that some priests within the Archdiocese of Kingston will be retiring; thus, necessitating movement within the clerical ranks.

Friar Father Appelman announced that he is retiring and returning to his native Holland soon after Sunday, July 25. In addition, Father Timothy Harrison is moving from St. John Bosco to St. Peters-in-Chains parish in Trenton. More information will be announced in the September newsletter.

Let us thank God that we were blessed with two excellent priests in these parishes. May He continue to bless them all the days of their lives.

EDITOR'S NOTE: You may have noticed this summer edition of the newsletter was not distributed during the first week of July. Unfortunately, the editor had to deal with a pressing family matter related directly to the flood that hit his home town of Yorkton, Saskatchewan. Thankfully, his 87 year old mother was in Halifax when the flood hit. However, the joys of walking into three feet of raw sewage after a few hours of sleep and throwing out everything into the streets for payloader pickup are indelibly etched. Thank you for your patience and understanding. As for Yorkton, Mom is perfectly fine now with a brand new basement.

Last night, my kids and I were sitting in the living room and I said to them, "I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens, just pull the plug."

They got up, unplugged the computer, and threw out my wine.

Get To Know Your Brothers

This column is intended for all members to get to know more about their brothers. Submissions including oddities and unique experiences are most welcome; they are wonderful to read. Please submit articles using a "Top Ten" format. Enjoy!

Tom Leeder

1. Tom Leeder entered the world on June 8, 1936 on the family farm near Ballycanoe, north of Mallorytown.
2. He attended grades one to eight in a one-room schoolhouse in Ballycanoe before completing high school at Mallorytown Continuation School.
3. Tom began his career at Automatic Electric in August 1954 before moving to Dupont Maitland in 1963, being promoted to foreman in 1973, and retiring on September 1, 1993.
4. During his career, he was involved with the union as a shop steward and executive member both at Automatic Electric and Dupont Maitland.
5. Tom and Theresa have been married for 52 years. They have three daughters and nine grandchildren. They enjoy their time at the cottage during the summer months.
6. He joined the Knights of Columbus Council 1049 in March of 1981 and has remained a very active member. You may have noticed his picture or name in the newsletter many times over the years.
7. Tom has served in various capacities on 1049's Executive, including as two terms as Grand Knight in 1990 and 1996.
8. He enjoys fishing, hunting, bowling, golfing and light woodworking. Ask him about his birdhouses.
9. Tom joined the Fourth Degree and the Reverend Thomas J. Larkin Assembly 1893 in October 24, 2004. The virtues espoused by the Knights of Columbus of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism have greatly influenced Tom throughout his life.
10. He encourages all members to become more involved with your local Council. Sign up for an activity and enjoy the fraternal benefits. Most of all, lead by example.

David Crawford

1. Wee David Crawford was born on January 3, 1935 in a small town in Scotland -- Alloa, Clackmannanshire. He was the third born in a family of four, having one brother and two sisters. Growing up during WWII in a house of modest means, they had running water, an outdoor toilet, no electricity, only gas light, and a coal fire for heating. To say the least, they did their winter business in a hurry. What they may have lacked in food and amenities during the war was more than made up by lots of love and caring.
2. David was schooled in Alloa Elementary and High School, followed by seven years of Night School which culminated in the equivalent of a Mechanical Engineering Degree.
3. David has had two loves and two great marriages in his lifetime. His first love was to a young girl he met on a blind date named Jean Young. They were married for 34 years. The second great marriage is to Martha whom most of you know. David first met Martha when she looked after Jean, who was ill with cancer. A few years after Jean's death, they met again and married in 1994. The rest, as they say, is history.
4. David has one son named what else David! He is married and has two boys. The whole family has grown considerably as Martha has two sons, a daughter, seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.
5. In 16 years of wedded bliss, Martha and David have travelled and seen a lot of the world, including Europe, Britain, Mexico, Florida, and most of Canada from the East Coast to the West Coast.

6. David's career began in Alloa; he then emigrated to Montreal, moved to Burlington, London and finally Brockville. He was the plant manager at Universal Grinding Wheels for 12 years until his retirement in 1999.
7. David converted to Catholicism in 1984 after a youth COR weekend. It was here the Holy Spirit began to work on him as he saw the reaction or transformation in the young people. He is very glad and proud to be a Catholic.
8. David joined the Knights of Columbus in 1997 and has been a Fourth Degree Knight for six years. He has been involved in many Council activities and has served on the executive in many capacities, including Grand Knight, Financial Secretary and District Warden. The highlight of his 13 years as a Knight occurred when David was co-recipient of Knight of the Year Award in July 2010.
9. He has served the church as an altar server and a Eucharistic Minister, and presently serves on the Cemetery Committee at St. Francis Xavier.
10. David's hobbies are few, as they interfere too much with eating, watching TV and, of course, the Knights of Columbus meetings. He did like golf and gardening, but now as his life style is about to change to condo living, David will doubtless find new things to do!



Congratulations to David Crawford and Tom Leeder!

Council 1049 honoured both David Crawford and Tom Leeder as Knights of the Year for 2010. These two gentlemen have been exceptional examples of Knights over the years. As evidenced above in their brief biographies, David and Tom have served in many Council positions and committees. They always have a smile on their faces and a wee joke to tell. Above all, they are usually one of the first to always say "I'll help." Keep up the excellent work gentlemen!

Above left is Grand Knight Larry Judge presenting the award to S/K David Crawford. Above right, S/K Tom and Theresa Leeder accept the Knight of the Year award from Grand Knight Larry Judge.

Ole and Lena got married. On their honeymoon trip they were nearing Minneapolis when Ole put his hand on Lena's knee. Giggling, Lena said, "Ole, you can go a little farther now if ya vant to." So Ole drove to Duluth.

Dues, Gentlemen please!

Brother Knights, please renew your membership for the period ending December 31, 2010. Membership dues are as follows:

Associate Members \$35.00
Honorary Members \$17.50

Please make cheques payable to: Knights of Columbus Council 1049 Brockville. Mail your cheques to Paul Kundlacz at the following address:

3138 Parkedale Avenue
Brockville, ON
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Alternatively, please pay your dues at the September general meeting. Thank you for your prompt action in this matter. Fraternally yours,

Paul Kundlacz

GO! CRUSADERS GO!

Brockville Knights of Columbus Council 1049 is proud to announce that we once again are supporting minor sports in our community after a ten year absence. "**The Knights of Columbus Crusaders**" plays in the Brockville Soccer Club Inc. League. If you know of anyone interested in joining, please have them contact the Brockville Soccer Club League directly with their information.



Pictured at left is Thomas Julien, grandson of Jack McNamee. This photo of Thomas sporting the team's new jersey was taken on June 17 after our Knights of Columbus soccer team had won their game by a score of 5 to 4. The team consists of a dozen players from the ages of eleven to fourteen, including three young men from St. Mary Catholic High School. Everyone gets lots of playing time. They have scored as many as eight goals in one game. They play every Thursday night at 6:30 pm behind the baseball diamonds on the north east side of the Brockville Memorial Centre. We welcome your support at every game.

Way to go team!!!

March For Life in Ottawa

Submitted by S/K John McAuley

The annual March for Life event took place May 13 in Ottawa. It was an excellent day with beautiful weather for the nine Sir Knights from our Sir Thomas J. Larkin Assembly 1893 in attendance. We met many people from all over the world including some from France and Germany. We were all pleased to see the large number of young people from all parts of Ontario in attendance. This included students from our own St. Mary Catholic High School in Brockville.

Once again, we had the privilege of meeting Carl Anderson. Skippy and I were fortunate to get close to him as the Mounties were stopping Knights from going onto the grass area of the Hill with their swords. The baby stroller fooled them! While there, we were asked by an Ottawa Commander to help form an Honour Guard behind Anderson as he spoke.

It was truly a great day to once again demonstrate our feelings in the fight for the sanctity of life.





As you can tell from the various pictures, thousands of people were in attendance at this annual rally. As mentioned earlier, the Mounties didn't want us to be in the inner grassy part of Parliament Hill while wearing our swords.

Fear not! Our very own District Deputy Alain Langlois and "Baby Skippy" found a way to elude the security. Believe it or not, the Skippy in the Buggy trick seemed to work. Good thing nobody noticed the lack of baby formula in the Coke can.

Please make a note of the announcement for the 2011 March For Life rally to be held next spring in Ottawa.

We strongly encourage all available members to show up in support of this worthwhile and necessary cause.



Council 1049 presented a \$900.00 cheque to "Birthright" at the June general meeting. Thanks to all who supported our Rose Sunday campaign. Pictured from left to right are: Andy Sequin, Tom Leeder, Larry Judge and Birthright Treasurer Maureen Tuttle and Interim Director Gail Price.

Please Say A Prayer For

Gerry Botting, former Faithful Navigator, Captain and Commander of Assembly 1893 and active member of Council 5880, had a heart attack a couple of weeks ago. His wife Joan has not been well for some period of time. Gerry and Joan have moved to Ottawa and will not return to Prescott. Their new address is:

Gerry and Joan Botting
1111 Longfields Dr.
Nepean, Ont.
K2J 5A9
613-823-6475

Geraldine Gray, wife of Deacon Hank Gray, is currently undergoing tests to diagnose a medical issue. May God grant her strength to endure and peace within.

Please also pray for the repose of the souls of Mrs. Diane Fraser (mother of Rick Fraser) who died on April 25, and for Monica Anderson (wife of Gerry Anderson) who died on May 20.

May Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.

History of the Knight's Flag

Submitted by S/K John McAuley, Commander 1893



The annual report of the Knights of Columbus from October 1988 describes the Knights of Columbus flag (pictured on the left) as follows:

"The Knights of Columbus flag combines in its field, red and white colors from the emblem of the Order, yellow from the papal flag and white and green from the expeditionary flag of Columbus.

A broad band of yellow and a narrow band of red, in parallel, divide the flag diagonally from lower left to upper right corners.

The triangular white upper field features the green cross of the [ensign flown by Christopher Columbus](#) on his voyages of discovery. This ensign is pictured to the right of the Knight's flag above. On the triangular blue lower field is the emblem of the Knights of Columbus."

The flag was first hoisted in June, 1988 and measures 3 feet by 5 feet. Indoor and parade quality varieties use gold fringe, cords and tassels.



Once again, Council 1049 of Brockville planted flowers at St. Francis Xavier cemetery. This year, we had a record of 82 plots planted. There are a growing number of requests each year. Usually, we receive \$35 from a family member to cover the cost of the flowers, soil, and fertilizer. Knights take turns weeding and watering the plants until the snow flies in the fall. Then we remove the plants from the soil.

Preparing the soil at left are Tom Leeder, Stu Glashan, Neil Cameron and Tom Barr. Well done gentlemen!

SEEK AND YE SHALL FIND ...

News from our Membership Director



Congratulations to our newest Third Degree members! Pictured in the front row (l – r) are Paul Cosgrove, Richard Gibbs, John McGeough and Joseph Visneski. Sponsors and attendees at the May 30 Exemplification in Kingston included (back row l – r): Alex McLeod, Larry Judge, Len Libitz, Rick Fraser, Andy Seguin and Bob Visneski.

A reminder we are in the process of updating Degree Certificates for all members. Please let me know if you do not have all of your Certificates; we can remedy this for you.

Vivat Jesus!
S/K Rick Fraser

Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament

Mark your calendars! On September 18, 2010 the annual Knights of Columbus open golf tournament will be held in Iroquois. This is a great time and very reasonably priced. Green fees for 18 holes and steak dinner with all the trimmings are just \$40 person. You can come just for the dinner if you wish. Nine hole golfing is also available. Teams welcome. Best ball, door prizes ... Contact S/K Alex McLeod @ 613-341-7737 for more details.

Council 1049 Newsletters Available in Colour!

If you wish to see a colour version of our newsletter, simply contact the editor with your email address. A colour pdf version will be emailed to you.

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