

Knightly Informer

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Grand Knight's Message



Greetings! My initial message to you as Grand Knight. A few words of gratitude first! Thank you to my brother Knights who have placed their confidence and trust in me to serve our Council.

Thank you to my predecessor,

Brother Mike Runstedler for his example, dedication and past service to continue our long tradition.

We are 45 years old this year, and it is worth noting that Monsignor Stephen Foerster Council 6024 was instituted on January 3, 1968 and received its charter on November 16, 1968. Many of our Brother Knights that began that journey 45 years ago and actively made the Council strong and indeed put Maryhill "on the map", have since passed to their eternal reward. We continue to remember them and especially at this time of year at the upcoming Memorial Mass on November 10th.

Now for the present and our plans going forward!!

It agonizes me that there is lack of interest and apathy in our Council. Indeed, our membership is aging and therefore diminishing in numbers. And, YES, we live in different times than 45 years ago. The focal point of the community, other than our beautiful church, was the Knights and the activities that were held at our "old" Hall. I continue to meet people from far and wide that, when you mention Maryhill, will immediately recall an event they attended at the Hall. What do we need to continue our tradition? I have some ideas and intend to be as creative as I may be in trying to lead us forward. However, nothing happens unless we can do it together. Therefore, I NEED your help and input. I will listen to what you have to say and indeed encourage your comments and promise that all ideas will be considered.

Here are some starting points:

Consider participating with me and serve on the executive. I need to fill four positions, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, Recording Secretary, and Advocate. Meetings are twice a month and about 1 hour each. I'm semiretired, so can do a lot of the "slugging". Make some time and get involved.......... please!!! It is not a "scary" thing being on the Executive; in fact, it can be fun getting together with your brother Knights.

Come out to our monthly members meeting. My commitment is to try and keep them to 1 hour or so, in length. We have instituted a fellowship part after the meeting and have light lunch and refreshments. Meetings are boring and tedious I know, however, I will attempt to make them more interesting, while staying within the bylaws and rules of order. I am encouraged that we have increased our attendance over the summer and wish that to continue and expand.

We meet every fourth Thursday of the month at the Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre at 7:35pm. We are considering changing this to a Tuesday night, if possible, as I have heard that some have conflicting commitments on Thursday nights. This will be discussed and our by-laws amended at the November meeting, if a change is made.

Finally, give us feedback. What do you wish to see from your council? Is there anything we can do better? My e-mail address is

gisley@golden.net or call me at 519-572-7176 or 519-342-6322. And, also provide us with your e-mail address. We intend to communicate regularly with you and in this age, if one has e-mail capability, we can communicate more efficiently in that manner. We will continue with The Informer for those who prefer, and many of us do.

May God continue to bless you and your families!!

George Isley Grand Knight



Chaplain's Message

Father Voisin

We know one of the greatest gifts given to us freely from God is FAITH. When we were brought to the font of baptism, and there with water and the words of the Sacrament, faith was given to us. This we have no right to whatsoever but because of God's love and His wisdom gives this to us. Now, with this we are to grow and mature as we age and this seed becomes a great tree and endures all the storms and tribulations in our lives. We can acclaim our belief in God and His greatness but also know that this shining light gives off a beacon of hope and trust in God, giving to us His radiance of care and concern. Faith goes beyond the here and now and takes us to the level of a spiritual awareness of something yet to come and is planned for us by God. No matter what happens we see tomorrow with great confidence and God's hands and wisdom leading and guiding us to Himself. We depend mostly upon Him and not our powers.

In Memoriam

Please remember in your prayers the following brother Knights who have gone to meet God the Father

- Ercole (Eric) Campagnaro June 13/2013
- Larry Kron September 5/2013
 Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;

Pon't lengthen it now with undue grief,

Lift up your heart and share with me;

God wanted me now , He set me free May they rest in peace.

Amen

Monsignor Stephen Foerster Char	itable Wel-
fare Trust Donations August 2012 Arthritus Society Kit	to present \$1,455.20
Martyrs Shrine	\$300.00
Bishops Dinner(2012)	\$300.00
Kids Ability	\$1,633.42
1st Maryhill Scouting	\$1,633.43
St. Vincent De Paul	\$500.00
Birthright Kitchener	\$200.00
Elmira Legion poppy fund	\$200.00
1st Maryhill Scouting Scotia Bank Con-	\$864.00
Kids Ability Scotia Bank Contribution	\$864.00
Birthright Kitchener	\$200.00
Catholic Missions change collection	\$244.00
Right to Life Guelph	\$400.00
Right To Life Kitchener	\$400.00
NET ministries of Canada Inc. youth programme	\$200.00
Sister Christine's Drop in Centre	\$1,437.18
Kitchener Food Bank	\$1,437.18
Knights of Columbus Charities Founda-	\$4,000.00
Bishops Dinner(2013)	\$300.00

Total \$16,568.41

Maryhill Council Charity Donations August 2012 to present

Maryhill Heritage Park	\$1,000.00
Right To life Kitchener	\$150.00
Right To life Kitchener Ottawa trip	\$260.00
St Mary Immaculate School	\$200.00
Maryhill Comm. Centre Youth Prog	\$250.00
Serra Club	\$275.00
CWL St. Boniface	\$197.50
CWL St. Boniface	\$354.11
Tammy Willis Oct Baby	\$225.00
Bishop's Dinner	\$535.00

Total \$3,446.

Congratulations

To Ron and John Kennedy as CoKnights of the Year and

To Karen Zettel as Lady of the Year

Calendar of Events

- Memorial Mass November 10At St. Boniface
- General Council Meeting 4th
 Thursday
- Vegas Night November 16
- Sale of Religious Christmas
 Cards throughout November
- Sleigh Ride January 2014

Pro-Life

We Pray

New Member

A special welcome to our new member Brother Adam Soloman who made his first degree recently.



Bishop Crosby looks on as our Grand Knight George Isley Shakes the hand of the State Deputy Dan Heffernan

- † That the holy Spirit inspire people that from the moment of conception there exists a living human person
- † That like Mary, the mother of Jesus, we may go quickly to support a woman with child
- † That childless Couples may know the joy of finding their Child
- † That Women agonizing over their pregnancy may have the courage to accept the situation
- **†**For women suffering all the trauma of abortion
- \dagger In reparation for the killing of babies and the maining of their mothers
- †For couples whose child has died at an early age or before birth
- †That every mother have the joy of seeing and holding her baby

Pray Always

Sincerely Gerald Goetz Pro-Life Liaison

Bishop Crosby's Charities Dinner

The dinner for the Bishop's Charities was sponsored by Council 6024 and was held September 29, at Maryhill in the hall called Maryhill Place. It was well attended with 270 people, a fourth degree honour guard of 11, and a Piper from Maryhill called Alex Klausnitser. A silent auction was held and the dinner and silent auction raised \$3000. The donations given directly to the Bishop were in addition to this amount. See pictures on this page and next page.

Council Members for 2013/2014

Chaplain Fr. Ron Voisin
Grand Knight George Isley
Financial Sec. Tim Runstedler

Deputy G K Open Chancellor Open

Trustees Elmer Zettle(1yr)

Robert Brown(2yr) Nick Wetzel(3yr)

Recorder Open

Treasurer Paul Goetz Warden Doug Zinger

Advocate Open

Inside Guard
Outside Guard
Church Activities
Informer

Ron Kennedy
John Kennedy
Nick Wetzel
Gerry Goetz,
Tim Vegh

For the Sick Gerry Goetz
Lecturer Tim Runstedler
Youth director Dwayne Sauve

Gary Stewart

Publicity director Tim Vegh Pro-Life Gerry Goetz Fall Vegas night
Saturday November 16th
Time 8:00 PM
Place: Bridgeport Rod and Gun
Beitz Road 519-648-2633

Evening of Chances for: Quilts, Grocery Hampers, Steaks, Chicken breasts, also Penny Table. Free Admission "Early Bird Specials"
Door Prizes
Proceeds for local Charities.

Memorial Mass 10:00 AM St. Boniface Church Nov. 10 For deceased members and war vets

LEST WE FORGET



Our Past Grand Knight Mike Runstedler presents the donation from Council 6024 to Bishop Crosby

