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General Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month  
Executive Meeting – 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month

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**St. James Council 4949 Executive**

**Chaplain** Fr. Dale Normandeau  
**Grand Knight** Guenter A. Rieger  
**Deputy GK** Pat Hagel  
**Chancellor** Kevin Schmaltz  
**Warden** Joseph Scebba  
**Treasurer** John Toporchak  
**Advocate** Paul Rosetti  
**Recorder** David Elrick  
**Outside Guard** George Matymish  
**Inside Guard** Sal D'Agosto  
**1. Year Trustee** Ralph Hounslow  
**2. Year Trustee** David Durand  
**3. Year Trustee** Steve Campbell  
**Fin. Secretary** Mark Lopianowski

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**Field Agent** Blaine Anhel  
**District Deputy** Michael Gernat

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**Birthdays in January**

Bro. Pasaj Wladyslaw  
Bro. Jack G Long  
Bro. Herman F Hutter  
Bro. Stephen G Phillips  
Bro. Jeffrey D Routley  
Bro. Romeo M Sibilleau  
Bro. Jack A Schafer  
Bro. Sean W Sweeney  
Bro. Earl A Frerichs  
Bro. Michael J Moore  
Bro. Paul D Alexis  
Bro. Vincent Czerwonka  
Bro. Joey Toolsie  
Bro. Heino C Hutter  
Bro. William Frederick  
Bro. Edward W Strome

**Birthdays in February**

Michael P De Pfyffer  
Kevin W Schmaltz  
Ian M Wilson  
Clement D Girard  
Salvador D Agosto  
James N Blaeser  
Jose Simao  
Martin W Belec

**Chaplain, Father Dale Normandeau**



Dear Brother Knights

Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. **James 5:14-15**  
Friday, February 11th marks the *World Day of the Sick*. This observance falls on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, which recalls an apparition of Our Lady much associated with healing of the sick. In the scriptures, Jesus performed miracles of healing as tangible signs of the Kingdom of God's imminent presence on earth. The Church Herself established hospitals and hospices to carry on Jesus' mission of healing and attending to the sick, a work which carries on to this day. While the Church recognizes its mandate is to heal the sick, She also

acknowledges that sickness can be an avenue of God's grace, Sickness can be a efficacious suffering, patiently offered up to God as a sacrifice for sins and for our good. Pope John Paul II recognized this aspect of sickness in his latter years when he afflicted with Parkinson's disease. Sickness can be an opportunity for growth in charity, both in our efforts to heal and alleviate it, and to patiently accept it for the good of others.

God Bless,  
Fr. Dale

**Grand Knight, Guenter A. Rieger**



Dear Brother Knights

Welcome to 2011. When we look back on the 2010 calendar of activities, as Knights of Columbus we have certainly served the Lord's call by serving our community and those are in need.

Our council was able to support the following organization with financial donations.

Together for Christmas \$1,000 – Schubert Center \$500 – Santa Anonymous \$200 – Silver Lake Foes Education \$500 – Saint James parent Support Group \$1250.00. Sales of Charity Appeal Tickets supported those donations.

The “ Together for Christmas” initiative in conjunction with the Upper Mission, provided almost 300



meals for people in need on Christmas day. A Big Thanks to Lisa Froom, Upper Mission, Ron Birch and our Brother Knight Joe Dorval, Street Center, and all the volunteers and Knights the who made this a successful community event.

Our Business Meeting in January was very well attended and I would like to thank all Brothers who enriched our meeting with your presence.

I personally want to thank everyone in our Council for stepping forward with your ideas, volunteer time, and most importantly... prayers. Not everyone can attend meetings nor chair an event, but everyone can pray for the success of our good works.

To prepare us for the coming year, our spiritual theme for 2011 should be!

1. Share knowledge.
2. Give comfort to those who need it.
3. Comfort those who suffer.
4. Be patient with others.
5. Forgive those who hurt you.
6. Give correction to those who need it.
7. Pray for the living and the dead.

I encourage everyone in our Council to reflect on this call and participate in a Council activity that best utilizes your talent and availability. Your participation will have an impact on many people, including yourself.

Thank you and God bless you,  
Guenter A. Rieger, Grand Knight

**Council Director, Sal D. Agosto**

The Charity Appeal campaign is finished and we did quite well, we have sold a total of 939 books. Our council sold 521.1 and 12202 418.0 books. I would like to thank those who volunteered their time, 4949 volunteered 283.5 hour or 60% of the total hours. We deposited a total of \$18,791.40.

Our last pancake breakfast on January 9th, 2011 was well attended and we had 11 volunteers (thank you for your time). We deposited \$210.83. The next pancake breakfast will be on Sunday February 6, 2011. Do not forget to bring a friend and/or a neighbor as everyone is welcomed.



A reminder that I have a number of "Holy Rosary Transfers", license plate holders and shopping cart tokens. If you are interested in purchasing some please

feel free to contact me. We deposited \$25.00 for the Holy Rosary Transfer, \$89.25 for the Keep Christ in Christmas magnets. I also have a number of these left if anyone is interested.

Our Bingos on Sundays at the Schubert are going well but we could use a larger number of players.

May God bless you and your families.

Your fellow brother Knight Sal D'Agosto

**Pro-Life Director, Bodo Niedballa**

**WE CHOOSE LIFE**

The Knights of Columbus have for many years now supported the cause for the life of the unborn child. In recent years another monster begins to

rear its head. It is called Euthanasia. There are voices to give doctors the

legal right to end the life of the elderly. In some European countries this dreadful right already exists. Here in Canada a private bill in this regard has been submitted to Parliament, but it has been defeated . Hallelujah! But



the fight against the "Culture of Death" has to go on!

We, the Knights of Columbus, have to be always alert to those life threatening efforts; efforts to kill the unborn child, to kill the elderly. More than ever are the Knights standing up stop the "Culture of Death" and instead have the "Culture of Life" reign in our country and the world. We here in Canada are not alone in this struggle. The fight goes on also in other countries.

This year are many events in this

regard. January 22 saw a Walk for Life in San Francisco; Jan. 24, March for Life, in Washington, DC. On the 20th of March in the Philippines a March for Life will take place. In May, The National March for Life in Ottawa. March 26, we celebrate the Feast of the Annunciation, and the K of C Day of the Unborn Child. Here in town our council and our Brothers can do much to assist --not only



financially--the Pro-life Society and the group which is establishing a Pregnancy Centre. You can become a member and help also with brain and brawn. Show your interest and attend

the Pro-Life AGM in April (date, time and place to be announced).

Join other brothers and their families at the annual Prayer Service for the Unborn, at the cenotaph, in May. The first Sunday of October, we line the streets as part of the nationwide Life Chain, proclaiming our belief in the right of life of every baby.

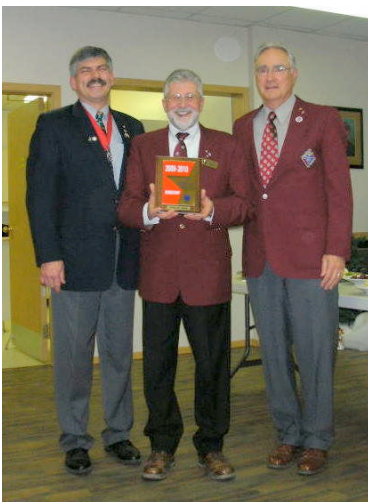
I know, many of our Brothers are not the youngest anymore, but our children and grandchildren are and will be affected by government decisions which support that dreadful "Culture of Death".

We need the help of everyone, for we face an uphill struggle.  
Vivat Jesus  
Brother Bodo Niedballa

### **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DISTRESSED**

Most Reverend Bishop David Monroe, Bro. Hubert Bibby and Bernice Bibby, Bro. Bill and Mary Turner, Bro. Tom Moore, Bro. Gary Balcon, Bro. Colin Mooney

### **STAR AWARD**



**Picture left below, starting Left: District Deputy Michael Gernat, Grand Knight Guenter A. Rieger and Membership Director David Elrick.**

St. James Council 4949 received the Knights of Columbus Star Award, presented by District Deputy Michael Gernat.

### **Charity Appeal Tickets Donations**

Grand Knight Guenter A. Rieger presenting a check to the President of Santa Anonymous Rick Trehearne



Jack Gareb, Manager of the Schubert Centre and Member of our council, receives a check in the amount of \$500



from Grand Knight Guenter A. Rieger. The Schubert Centre was started and still supported by the Knights of Columbus 4949. Every Sunday night, our council is hosting a Bingo Night. Funds from the Bingo will be again distributed back to the community. For further information about the Bingo, please

contact John Toporchak at 250 542 9229. Thanks Brother John and Bingo team for your weekly effort.

Last year the Knights of Columbus were able to give out bursaries in the amount of \$4,200. Funds raised every week at our Bingo Night at the Schubert Centre. St. Theresa Council 12202 is helping at the bingo too,

### **Together for Christmas.**

Christmas should be not lonely for people without family or friends nearby. The Upper Mission together with Ron Birch and Joe Dorval from the Street Center bringing holiday cheer to those people.

People who are alone for Christmas were able to receive a Christmas Dinner on Christmas day.

Many people from different organisation including the Knights of Columbus have put together an excellent event to make those people feel home.

St. James Council 4949 donated \$1,000 and three Turkey's to make this happen. Doors were open at 12:30 P.M. on Christmas Day. Children's programs and entertainment was available.

It was a real community event, that's why the organisers called the event "Together for Christmas".

The Knights are proud to be able to support such events financially and looking forward to support the event for 2011 too.

Thanks again to Lisa Froom, Upper Mission, Ron Birch and our Brother Joe Dorval and all the volunteers organising and helping during the event.



Starting Left: Ron Birch, Grand Knight Guenter A. Rieger, Lisa Froom, Upper Mission and Brother Joe Dorval.

**Membership Director,**

David Elrick

Two Brother Knights, received



their certificate for First Degree,

during the ceremony in Salmon Arm on January 16<sup>th</sup>,2011. Our new members of St.James Council 4949 are Brother Noel De Rosier and Brother Frank Flasch. Welcome Brothers to our council.



**Sir Knight Romeo Sibilleau welcomes Brother Frank Flash to Council 4949.**



**Sir Knight Dan Danyluk welcomes Brother Noel De Rosier to Council 4949.**

**In Memory.**



With heavy hearts we would like to announce that the Lord has called on February 1<sup>st</sup>,2011 Sir Knight Hubert Bibby home.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife Bernice and our fellow Brother Bob along with all of the family at this very sad time.

Sir Knight Hubert Bibby was one of the last founding members of OCPSC. He was also instrumental by getting Schubert Center, Columbus Court and Gateby started and completed. Hugh was living with Bernice for the last few years at Gateby.