

May/June 2023

# Knight's News

# **Newsletter Update**



I have taken over the responsibility of publishing Knights of Columbus Council 5726 Newsletter. Many thanks to **Brother Al Laronde** for handling this job for many years! If you have any news, photographs, relevant information, etc., help me out by sending the information to me by email at:

manfred@arposervices.com.

With help and participation from everyone we can make the newsletter something that all members look forward to reading. Thank you and I look forward to receiving any news or suggestions.



# Manfred Poehlmann

# **Grand Knight's Report**

#### NEW COLUMBIAN YEAR

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Spring is in the air and with that we look forward to new and exciting activities to begin. As we approach the end of a very successful Columbian Year, elections are once again in front of us. Many of the executives have volunteered to remain in office for this coming year with just a few spots remaining to be filled. God is calling us to fulfill

a great task. This is a time of challenge, but as every Knight knows, strength rejoices in challenge.

In St. Joseph, we see our mission and mandate. Guard the family, Guard the truth. He led through service and creative courage. Father McGivney was also a man of courage. Like us, he lived in a time of great need. It is the only way to overcome the hurdles facing our families, the Church and our culture.

Council has accomplished many worthy projects in

our community, supported our parish and took part in our faith community. Charities, Camps Columbus, School fund raising and Scholarships.

However as time moves on we too need to look to the future. We must re-establish enthusiasm in our Order. Being visible, identifiable and active will show our family and friends what a Knight is or does, could be a start. Many people do not understand or appreciate what Knights do or the purpose of our existence.

Suggestions have been made to once again resurrect Inter-Council Games. Golf has been booked. Darts, Pool and Horse Shoe competitions have been also mentioned. Are there any others? Do we have sports minded Brothers in our council that could represent Us? I would like to hear from you and it will be much appreciated. **God Bless** 

Kaz. Sznerch *Grand Knight*  E-mail <u>kofc5726@shaw.ca</u> Drop note in mail box at club or Call me at 403-329-4901

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# **Retention Committee**



Advocate Wendel Wandler set up a committee to contact members by phone to invite them to council meetings. It was nice to see two new faces at our March meeting, **Brothers Bill Weiler** and **Jack Gleason**, and for

our April meeting **Brother Jack Gleason** attended. It shows that it does work. Now if these 2 members contacted 2 more members, and so on, we could have full participation at council meetings. **Brother Wendel** noted that many of our roster phone numbers are wrong or outdated. If you have recently changed your phone number or were not contacted, please contact any member on the executive of your new number.

Thank you Brother Wendel

# Camp Columbus



A change has been made at Camp Columbus!

Brother Alex Misak, after many years of faithful service as treasurer for Camp Columbus, has

stepped down. Brother John Henderson has volunteered to be the new treasurer.

Thank you **Brother Alex** for your many years of service, and thank you **Brother John** for stepping up!



There is a clean up at Camp Columbus scheduled for **Saturday May 6th**. We will be meeting at the Knights of Columbus Clubhouse at **8:30 AM** and then proceeding to Waterton.

# **Stations of the Cross**

Thank you to all the members who attended the soup dinner, The Way of the Cross, and closure of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday March 3rd. We were led by our financial secretary **Peter Lilienthal** and **Brother Phil Pothier**.

# From the desk of the Financial Secretary



Greetings Brothers, as your Financial Secretary I can report to you that the Council remains in good shape. We are tracking well with our budget to remain in good shape throughout the year

Billing is complete for 2023, with

all council members paid in full. Current year membership cards have been mailed out or handdelivered to all Honorary Life and paid members. If you recently paid, your card should be received shortly. I have been asked a few times why the first bill received was the Second Notice. Be advised that if you have an email in our system, the First Bill will be emailed to you. This saves us money. If you do not want this email billing, let me know and I can adjust the system.

Email remains our main method of communication due to delay of regular mail and some addresses not being maintained in our records. Of our 89 members, I have email addresses for 70. For our widows, I am trying diligently to maintain contact and hope that our communications are getting through to you. As I currently only have email addresses for five of you, I ask your help in providing one. I would prefer to have 100% email coverage of both members and widows but understand that some of you do not have access to a computer. If you do and have not yet given me an email address, please do, so I am able to notify you of short notice information like funerals and such.

As a final note, but not the least important, I am entering the final months in completing my formation in the Diaconate. This has been a long four years and yet gone by very quickly. It is still not a given that I will be called to be ordained and so I ask for your prayers during this last portion of the formation such that, God willing, I am called to this most important vocation.

Many Blessings in Christ T Peter Lilienthal, Financial Secretary Fs5726@kofc.ab.ca

Mary, Holy Mother of God...Pray for us!

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## From the desk of Trustee Ken Tratch



Our **Council #5726** is once more sponsoring an opportunity for students currently attending Catholic Central High to access an award of \$250. The Essay

Contest requires that the entry adequately describe: the origin and purpose of the early Knights of Columbus, the mission and goals of present-day Knights of Columbus members, identify two goals they believe the Knights of Lethbridge should strive to achieve, what might interest them or other young students to join the Knights of Columbus. Entries forms are available at the school office and close by June 15, 2023.

To date there are four students that have acquired an application form. One student has returned the form with an essay attached. Two months left to the June 15 deadline. If you have a grandson or granddaughter attending CCHS please encourage them to enter.

Please attend the Friday Council Social beginning at 5:00 pm for a good visit, a beverage and some snacks. A good time to catch up on news and gossip from other Knights and the Ladies.

If not already a member, please consider joining the **"60 Plus Club"**. Members meet on Wednesday afternoons for a variety of social activities including Bingo. Membership is only \$15 a person! For more information call **Ray Viel** (Membership Chair) at 403-892-2025.



Please pray for all our sick Brother Knights and their spouses. May they return to good health. Your prayers and visits will be appreciated by **Brothers Andy Aucoin**, **Joe Chenier**, **Gary Bishoff**, **Patrick Barry** and **Math Hardy** 

# **Corpus Christi**



Come celebrate Corpus Christi on June 11. Procession will start at Our Lady of Assumption Church at 12:15 PM and proceed to Catholic Central High School.

Pancake Breakfasts

Thanks to all the Knights who helped with the breakfast on April 16th that was put on by the youth from St. Francis Xavier Chaplency, to raise money for World Youth Day. They received all of



the donations from the breakfast which was over \$ 1,200.00 and our council provided all the food. Along with the donation of the food, we topped up our donation with cash to a total value of \$ 350.00.

We have our next breakfast

scheduled for Sunday June 4<sup>th</sup> and will decide in May which charity we will be Supporting.

### Support Our Brother Knights in Business

We should be supporting any of our Brother Knights that are in business, whenever possible. If you know of any that would like to have their business listed in the newsletter, please let me know their name, business name, phone number and email address. Please get their permission.

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Please make note of our upcoming meetings in May and June. There is an executive meeting on May 2 at 7:00 PM, a general meeting on May 9 at 7:00 PM, an executive meeting on June 6 at 7:00 PM and a general meeting on June 13 at 7:00 PM. The June 13th meeting includes election of officers. Note that all meetings are open to all members.

A shout out to our brother Knights that consistently volunteer to work at bingo and breakfasts. Thanks to Brothers David Eisler, Jack Gleason, Andy Gruninger, John Henderson, Henry Holst, Pat Johnston, Alex Misak, John Murray, Robert Niven, Dave Pittman, Manfred Poehlmann, Ben Rainault, Bert Sauer, Kaz Sznerch, Ken Tratch, Wendel Wandler, Bill Weiler and Rory Wright. Apologies to any that I have missed. Thanks also to all the Brother Knights that volunteered in the past. We should not forget their contributions.

# **Knights of Columbus Insurance**

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# **Council Calendar of Events**

# May 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	<sup>2</sup> Executive Meeting 7:00 PM	<sup>3</sup> Bingo 5:00 PM	4	<sup>5</sup> K of C Social 5:00 PM	<sup>6</sup> Camp Columbus Cleanup 8:30 AM
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July/August 2023

# Knight's News

# **Grand Knight's Report**

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The end of Columbian year 2022 - 23 has arrived. July 1 starts the new 2023 - 2024 year and I am looking forward to work with you to set up activities to fulfill our mission. And it is a privilege to do so alongside so many dedicated Brother Knights.

All the executives have answered Gods calling and returned for another year in office, it was humbling and awesome to see. We will continue to make the Council successful, exiting and fun filled.

Reaching out to all our Council's Brothers is my goal. I would like to know why some members have not found hour or two per month to join us. With so much unrest in the world I cannot think of a more fitting place than sharing few moments with the men of the same faith.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks for your support and guidance during the past year. Without your assistance and encouragement we would not have achieved the success in supporting so many Charities, Schools and Scholarships.

Any suggestions would be appreciated and extremely valuable.

#### Grand Knight Kaz Sznerch

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# **Camp Columbus Registrations**

#### Notice

#### Parents and Grandparents

There are still openings available in all weeks to book your child or grandchild in **Camp Columbus** this year. Please check our website for registration information:

https://www.campcolumbus.com

## **Major Donation**



**Grand Knight Kaz Sznerch** presenting **Knights of Columbus # 5726** donation of **\$ 3,800.00** to the Holy Spirit School District for the Ready, Set, Go program from our Community Foundation investment.

# **Corpus Christi**

#### On Sunday June 11th,

All Saints Parish processed from Assumption Church and St. Basil Church to meet at Catholic Central High School to have a special ceremony celebrating this Christian demonstration of taking our Lord through the streets of Lethbridge.

We wish to thank the **Brother Knights** that walked in the procession, especially **Brother** 

Andy Gruninger who helped carry the monstrance from Assumption Church. Brother knights that were not able to walk showed up at CCHS for the closing ceremony and lovely light luncheon prepared by the CWL.



Thanks to brother Al Laronde for this report.

**Our Lady of Peace Council # 5726** 

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Note that all meetings are open to all members.

# **Golf Tournament**

We are planning a golf tournament for Saturday September 16th

Location: Indian Hills Golf Course

Tee Off Time: 12:00 Noon

Format: Mixed Teams - Best Ball - 9 Holes

Cost: Golf \$ 28.00 - Cart \$ 15.00 per person

Meal: Maggies Place (On Site Restaurant)

If you are interested please call to register *before* August 15<sup>th</sup> so we can organize teams and advise golf club. If we get over 40 players we could have a shotgun start.

Call Al Laronde at 403-327-0364 or Alex Misak at 403-328-4522



# **State Hockey Tournament**

#### Congratulations to Brother Mark Heitman



Every year Mark travels to participate as a goaltender in the annual State Hockey tournament, which is held at various locations.

This year Mark came home with the best goalie throughout the whole tournament award.

Congratulations Mark and thanks for representing Our Lady of Peace Council 5726 at this annual function.

Thanks to brother AI Laronde for this report.

# **Financial Secretary Report**



Greetings, as your Financial Secretary, I can report to you that the Council remains in good shape. We are tracking very well within our budget throughout the year.

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addresses not being maintained in our records. Of our 88 members, I have email addresses for 69. Please understand that I have two registers for emails, one is online with Supreme and the other is in my own email client. Most emails I send out, including billing and meeting announcements, are sent from the Supreme list, and will come to you with a generic address of Knights of Columbus Email (noreply@kofc.org). Due to spam filters, you may not be seeing these important emails so set it as a trusted source. If you have recently (within 2 years) moved or changed any of your contact information, drop me a note so I can keep everything updated.

For our widows, I am trying diligently to maintain contact and hope that our communications are getting through to you. As I currently only have email addresses for five of you, I ask your help in providing one. I would prefer to have 100% email coverage of both members and widows but understand that some of you do not have access to a computer. If you do and have not yet given me an email address, please do, so I am able to notify you of short notice information like funerals and such.

As a final note, but not the least important, I am now in my final weeks, awaiting a letter from Bishop McGrattan calling me to Ordination in the Diaconate. I am at peace with whatever the outcome of the decision, but I continue to ask for your prayers during this last portion of the formation such that, God willing, I am called to this most important vocation. If I am called, the Ordination will occur on November 18th at Saint Mary Cathedral in Calgary.

Many Blessings in Christ T Peter Lilienthal, Financial Secretary Fs5726@kofc.ab.ca

Mary, Holy Mother of God...Pray for us! St Joseph, Husband of Mary and Early Father of Jesus...Pray for us!

## Pancake Breakfasts

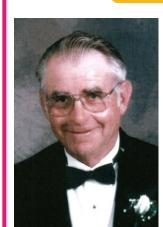


I would like to thank all the **Brother Knights** who helped with the **Sunday June 4**<sup>th</sup> **breakfast**. We had an excellent turnout of approximately 120 parishioners.

From the proceeds we were able to donate \$ 500.00 to the Chinook Sexual Assault Centre.

Through their organization they also have the **Chinook Child and Youth Advocacy Centre**, in which they advocate for sexually assaulted and abused children and youth. Gratefully accepting our donation is **Cheryl Patterson**.

Next proposed breakfast will be in September. Breakfast Coordinator - Manfred Poehlmann



# In Memorium

Our sympathy and condolences go out to the family of our deceased brother

#### Math Harty.

Eternal rest grant unto him Lord and may perpetual light shine upon him.

May He Rest In Peace

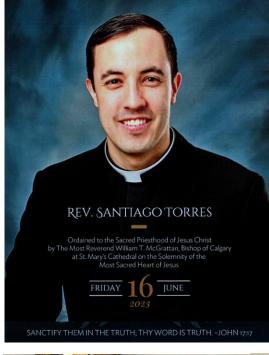
# Sick & Distressed Knights

Please pray for all our sick Brother Knights and their spouses. May they return to good health. Your prayers and visits will be appreciated by Brothers Andy Aucoin, Joe Chenier, Gary Bishoff, Patrick Barry, family of Art Oswald and Frank Machacek on the loss of his wife Agnes.

# **Our Lady of Peace Council # 5726**

# Knight's News July/August 2023

# **Father Santiago Torres Ordination**





Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Peace Council 5726 presenting a chasuble to Father Santiago Torres after Mass at Our Lady of Assumption Church on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2023 in recognition of his ordination to the Sacred Priesthood of Jesus Christ



#### From the desk of Trustee Ken Tratch



#### **Brother Knights:**

You may recall that our Council sponsors an Essay Contest at Catholic Central High School.

This year we had three

excellent essays submitted that outline the history of our organization, its mission, goals that the Knights should strive for and areas that would interest young men to join the Knights of Columbus.

# Each of the three students will receive a \$250 award for their submissions.

The three students were **Hanah Saga Wiebe**, **Elizabeth Spiess**, and **Gabe Anoos**.

Below is one of the essays.

The Knights of Columbus (K of C) was founded at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut during the 1880s. Michael J. McGivney, the Catholic priest who established the K of C, intended for the Order to be a mutual benefit society for Catholic immigrants. They provided an insurance system for members, which helped care for widows and orphans left behind when the main income earner of the family died. Gradually, Catholic men became more interested in the K of C, not only because of its benefits, but because the Order valued serving the Church, community, and family. Today the Knights of Columbus continues to provide life insurance, and as of 2021, has paid more than \$114 billion to over two million contracts. There are now over two million members of the K of C, and the organization has grown to support Catholic education, Catholic social and political causes, refugee relief, and local church communities. The founding principles of the Knights are charity and unity, with fraternity and patriotism being added subsequently (respectively, in 1885 and 1900.)

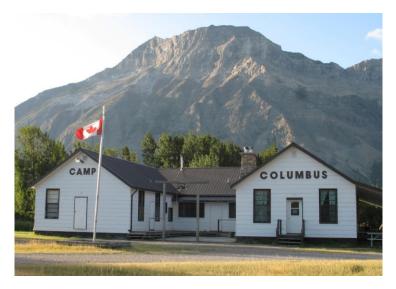
These principles serve as the basis of the K of C's core values: integrity, professionalism, excellence and respect. Overall, the Knights of Columbus aims to help society in charitable, social, and political ways through Catholic beliefs and empowers Catholic men to live their faith wherever they can.

The Knights of Lethbridge should continue to support and sponsor Catholic education. I believe that funding school activities (for example, providing lunch for students, rewarding money to students with high grades, and offering scholarships and contests like this essay contest) is an ideal way to support the community, although one way I think that the Knights of Lethbridge could develop is by improving the promotion of the K of C in the community and informing people of the organization, what it does, and how it helps. I feel that if there was more information available at my school or in the city, I would be more inclined to join the K of C. After researching the Knights with no prior knowledge, I want to become more involved with the organization and I believe that other students and youth would do the same if they knew more about the Knights. Along with better promotion, I feel that utilizing social media and an online presence would increase the amount of people reached and would get more young people to interact and find out about the K of C. I also believe that making opportunities specifically for youth to get to know the organization would be a great step forward into attracting people, for example, volunteering opportunities for youth, working directly with schools for events, and holding an event where students and young people can gather and learn more about the Knights of Columbus.

Essay by Gabe Anoos

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# **Camp Columbus - Waterton Lakes National Park**



In 1954, Southern Alberta Knights of Columbus, under the direction and urging of then District Deputy Urban Pittman, applied to Waterton Lakes National Park managers to build a fourth youth camp in the park. The representatives from the Knights suggested four potential locations. Two were on Pass Creek in the Blakiston Valley, one was along Upper Waterton Lake and one was along Middle Waterton Lake opposite Vimy Peak. At first, park officials were hesitant to allow construction of another camp in the park but relented having no good reason to object. The Upper Waterton Lake location was rejected out of hand, leaving three other potential sites to be examined. The Middle Waterton Lake site was finally approved and became home to the final permanent youth camp in the park, right after Tee-La-Da Girls Camp. Of the four original youth camps in the park, only Camp Columbus and Canyon Camp remain (Canyon Camp is undergoing reconstruction after the 2017 fire destroyed the camp).

After the approval, the Knights of Columbus quickly set about fundraising for the construction of the camp. All the Knights in the area got behind the project in a big way beginning with a door to door canvas of Catholic residents in Lethbridge, Pincher Creek, Milk River and Taber, selling tickets for a draw with the proceeds going toward camp construction.

Plans for the camp were drawn up by May in 1956 and by July construction of the building began. Estimated to cost \$25,000, the camp was built by Sieben and Schamber, general contractors from Milk River. On July 1, 1957, the facility was finished and an open house was held incorporating Dominion Day activities. The ceremonies began with a flag raising while a band from Milk River played "*O Canada*". Throughout the afternoon, the public was invited to participate in bingo and outdoor games. Topping off the attraction was a barbecue for some 1,200 people.

One week later, the first 10-day camp session for children ages 10-14 opened under the supervision of Bruce Field, camp manager. In later years, the age limit was lowered to 8 years and the time at camp reduced to five days per session for 50 participants each. Open to all children regardless of religious affiliation, the camping activities included water safety, canoeing, team sports, lake swimming, horseback riding at the nearby stable, boat rides on commercial vessels and the ever-popular hiking and evening campfires. When the new town swimming pool opened in 1960, the Camp Columbus kids became regulars at the facility.

Camp sessions continued in the following year and have been held every year since for boys and girls emphasizing Christian spirit, concern for a fragile environment, cooperation with others and maintenance of individuality.

In the past nearly 70 years, many Knights have given freely of their time to keep Camp Columbus operational for many generations of young people. We should be grateful to all those Brother Knights. Our Lady of Peace Council members, have been instrumental in fundraising and working to maintain the camp. Brother Alex Misak stands out for his dedication to Camp Columbus for many years! Thanks to Bob Rice for taking over registrations from Gord Elliot and John Henderson for taking over the position of treasurer from Alex Misak.

On May 27<sup>th</sup> we held our yearly pre-opening cleanup at the camp with brother Knights Lee Hochstein, Pat Johnston, John Henderson, Dave Pittman, John Murray, Henry Holst, Bert Sauer, and Manfred Poehlmann along with wives Faye Henderson, Polly Holst and Marilyn Arnold who kept the men in line and showed us how it should be done properly. Alex Misak made arrangements and provided refreshments.

The present executive are Lee Hochstein (President), Pat Johnston (vice president), John Henderson (Treasurer), Rick Czarny (secretary), Bob Rice (Registrations), Wayne Britton (director), Lou Dooper (director), Morris Pittman, and Bert Sauer.

This history of Camp Columbus is from Waterton Lakes National Park information and conversions with brother Knights. Editor - Manfred Poehlmann

### **Our Lady of Peace Council # 5726**

### **Camp Columbus - Clean-up Photos**



## **Note from Editor**

A reminder that if anyone has any information, photos, announcements, etc. That they would like to contribute to the newsletter, please contact me by email:

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and I will try to get it into the next newsletter.

Manfred Poehlmann

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# **Friday Socials**

Come join us for our Social at the clubhouse between 5:00 and 7:00 PM every Friday for some great camaraderie, conversation and refreshments!





# **Council Calendar of Events**

# **July 2023**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Canada Day
2	3	4	<sup>5</sup> Bingo 5:00 PM	6	<sup>7</sup> K of C Social 5:00 PM	8
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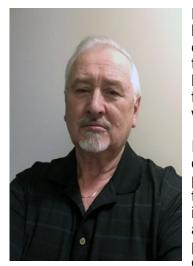


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September/October 2023

**Grand Knight's Report** 

# Knight's News



Hopefully the summer has been enjoyable for everyone so far, and if there are some plans you have not finished yet, there is still time before winter sets in.

In September we put on our caps and start planning our programs for the coming year. It is important that there are as many suggestions as possible to create enjoyable, exciting, and

fun filled activities to fulfill our mission.

I am looking forward and it will be my privilege to work alongside with you to make our year more productive. This is an invitation to you Brother Knights to help us become the Council that you once believed it should be - or we once were.

All the executives have answered Gods calling and returned for another year in office, it was humbling and awesome to see. We will continue with your help and participation to make you proud to belong.

As always I would like to express my sincere thanks for your support and guidance during the past year, and ask for your assistance and encouragement for this coming year so we can achieve the success in supporting so many Charities, Schools and Scholarships.

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# Golf Tournament



Unfortunately the golf tournament that we were planning for September had to be cancelled.

There were not enough people signed up to be able to have it this year.



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Hopefully we can try again next year!

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Praise be to God! On June 27<sup>th</sup>, I received my letter calling me to Ordination as a Deacon. This will occur on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, at 11am at St Mary's Cathedral. I will stand (or rather lay prostrate) with eleven of my brothers and receive the blessing of Almighty God through the Litany of the Saints. As much as five years of discernment has prepared me for this moment (it remains, as of me writing this, twelve weeks away) I am still overwhelmed. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Many Blessings in Christ T Peter Lilienthal Deacon Candidate Financial Secretary Fs5726@kofc.ab.ca

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# October 2023

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29	30	31 Halloween				





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# Knight's News



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Or scan QR Code at the right on your mobile device.





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For any members or guests coming to the clubhouse that need to use the wheelchair lift at the rear of the building can now gain access to it from the front. From the front driveway go through the breezeway at the West side of the building. This way there is no longer any need to go around to the alley at the back to gain access to the lift.

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## **Diaconate Ordination**

**Brother Peter Lilienthal** will be ordained into the Permanent Diaconate on Saturday, November 18, 11:00 AM at **St. Mary's Cathedral** in **Calgary**. If you are interested in

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Along with **Brother Peter Lilienthal**, **Jim Manzara** from our parish, **Bruce Barnett** from St. Martha's and **Brian Kinahan** from St. Augustine's will also be ordained.

> Deacon Peter Lilienthal Will be celebrating his first mass at Our Lady of the Assumption Church November 19 at 9:00 AM

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### **Grand Knight's Report**



Knights share basic convictions of Solidarity, Togetherness, and Fraternity. It is difficult today because we live in an era that stresses individualism.

We may differ on many things, but the basic shared convictions that drive us and keeps us

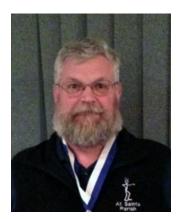
going in the same direction is our mission, focus and purpose. Knights have allegiance and loyalty to God, Church, Families, Homes and our neighbors. We may be criticized or mocked for our Catholic faith. Fr. McGivney formed his men to be strong and vigorous defender of our religious liberty. November 1 is All Saints day, November 2 is All Souls Day, November 11 is Remembrance Day as we reflect on these dates it is important to also pray for the people of Ukraine and Israel for their supreme sacrifice defending their Families, Church and Country.

On November 29 at 7:00 pm annual Memorial Mass will be held at Assumption Church in memory of the deceased members of Knights of Columbus. Many of whom have gave decades of service and exemplifying Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

God Bless

Grand Knight Kaz Sznerch gk5726@kofc.ab.ca

# **Financial Secretary Report**



From the Desk of the Financial Secretary

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The last five months have rushed by with my preparations for Ordination. I want you all to know that I will diligently continue my duties as Financial Secretary after my Ordination. On this note, our Supreme Knight has confirmed my appointment for another three years upon the recommendations of the Council Executive.

Many Blessings in Christ T Peter Lilienthal Deacon Candidate Financial Secretary Fs5726@kofc.ab.ca

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## Remembrance Day



Let us not forget our fallen brothers, sisters, relatives and friends, who offered the ultimate sacrifice for us and our country!

# **Memorial Mass**

#### Memorial Mass Wednesday November 29

Hosted by Our Lady of Peace Council 5726

At Our Lady of the Assumption Church 7:00pm

Mass will celebrated in the church with **Celebrant Father Kevin Tumback** and **Priests** and **Deacons** of the **Lethbridge Parishes**.

All Knights of Columbus members, spouses and widows are encouraged to attend in remembrance of our past brothers and most current Brother of Our Lady of Peace Council 5726, **Math Harty.** 

#### A reception will be hosted by our council in Assumption Hall after Mass

We would like to thank **Cornerstone Funeral Home** for printing and providing the memorial programs, and providing wine, cheese, and snacks.

We would also like thank all the members who volunteered to help with our annual tradition of remembering our deceased members and reminding their widows that **Knights of Columbus** are here to assist.

# **Grey Cup Party**



#### Brother Al Laronde has graciously organized



Knights of Columbus Council 5726 Annual Grey Cup Party.

The festivities will take place on **Sunday November 19** at our clubhouse. Doors will open at **3:30 PM** with kick-off scheduled for 4:30 PM (6:30 PM Eastern Time).

Make your fortune by participating in our .25 per square pools and cheer for your favourite team!

Bring along your favourite snacks to munch on during the game. Come and enjoy the 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Grey Cup Game with your Brother Knights, their spouses and guests.



## **Camp Columbus**



This year's season got off to a rocky start, problems with Parks Canada, in getting our operating licence.

There were a few safety issues that they determined

need to be fixed and reinspected before we could operate this year. We were able to get all the required work done, but did lose one school camp.

We hired a new cook and two directors this year as well as 9 counsellors for the 7 weeks of camp. Had a few people that either quit or were fired as they did not workout, but replacements were found and all went well after that. We had around 190 campers this year, up from 150 approx. last year, so things are looking up. The girls camp seems to be more popular the than boy's camp. No major incidents this year, and we are looking forward to next year. We believe that possibly the Cook and 1 of the directors indicated that they would like to return, so that would be a great start for the new season.

With the safety issues bills and billings missed from Parks Canada in the previous year , the cost of food gas etc. up about 20% over last year we are in a deficit position to the tune of \$15,000.00 This includes financial assistance given to those that could not afford all or some of the camp fees. We have changed our Gas and Electric rates to

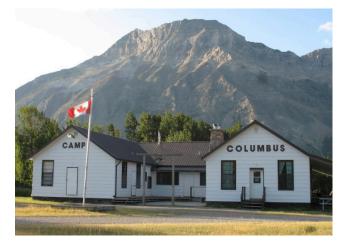
fixed plans, as the floating power rate was triple the cost of a fixed rate plan so hoping that will help the expenses for next year. Camp was closed up in beginning of October for the season. SO watch in early spring for Camp opening and clean up date.



John Henderson - Treasurer

## Pancake Breakfasts

We have successfully completed serving breakfast for the parish on Sunday, **October 22**, and we raised **\$ 500.00** for **Camp Columbus at Waterton Park**. Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped and to the parish patrons that hopefully enjoyed the breakfast.



Our next breakfast is scheduled for **November 12** and the proceeds will be donated to the **Jack Ady Cancel Centre** at the **Lethbridge Regional Hospital.** 

Our December breakfast will be on **December 10** and will also feature a **bake sale** hosted by the **Assumption CWL** featuring a large assortment of delicious baked goods. We have not yet designated a recipient for the proceeds of the breakfast, but will make a decision at our November meeting.



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**Oktoberfest Celebration** 





Thanks to Brother Ben Renault for organizing a fantastic Oktoberfest Celebration for 2023. He went all out on providing some delicious food in the spirit of Bavaria! We had barbecue bratwurst and mild Italian sausage, grilled by Brothers Al Laronde and John Murray, sauerkraut,

baked beans, caesar salad, cheese bread and pumpkin pie with whipped cream. This event took place in our clubhouse on October 20 and all who

attended had a very enjoyable evening!

Our guest speaker was **Father Santiago Torres**. It was a pleasure to have him be able to join us on this occasion and everyone enjoyed his company. An invitation for him to join our social gathering anytime is always open.









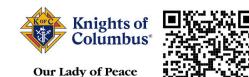
# From the Desk of Trustee Ken Tratch

#### Knights of Columbus 5726 Web Page goes LIVE

On Wednesday, October 11, 2023, the Council's new Web Page and QR Code was shared with a number of members of Council 5726!

Thanks to the hard work of Brother Manfred Poehlmann, news of the good work our members have achieved is now available for visitors locally and across the world to visit and read about. At our September 10 General Meeting a motion was passed to fund this project and to post it on the World Wide Web.

We have requested that All Saints and St. Martha Parishes, all Lethbridge Catholic Schools and Lethbridge Holy Spirit Catholic School Board Place the above card notation on their Websites and in their monthly bulletins. Through this contact and connection we hope that members of our community will respond with greater support and some may choose to join our Council in our Mission and its work.



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#### **Parish Golf Tournament**

Our awesome Council 5726 Golf Team represented our Council in the 2023 ALL SAINTS GOLF **TOURNEY** on Saturday Aug. 26 at the Picture Butte golf Course.



Thanks to the sponsorship of **Council 5726** and a contribution to our Parish, our Council was represented at the annual Parish Golf tournament.

Brothers Alec Misak, George Vandellen, Ken Tratch and Roch Bruneau [St. Martha's Council], played their best and thought they had the lowest score for the dav.

Thanks to a retrogressive count back [and some skulduggery we suspect], we were delegated to share a first place finish.



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# Knight's News



Starting with this edition, the copy of the newsletter that we email to members and widows will be greatly enhanced. The digital version will contain many more photos taken during events. The addition

of these photos to the printed version is prohibitively expensive. If you are **not** presently receiving the email (digital) version and would like to start receiving it, please contact **Financial Secretary Deacon Peter Lilienthal** at **fs5726@kofc.ab.ca**. The digital copy of this newsletter will also be available on our website. See info at right.



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# Grand Knight's Report



When Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Order 141 years ago, he didn't envision his Knights simply as helpful men in the community, but rather as men who embrace a leadership responsibility in works of charity, Catholic education, pro-life and the defence of religious liberty.

There are many hurdles

facing our families, our church and our faith. This is evident in the large number of people who are only casual worshipers, or who have left the church, or have even lost their faith. If the church is to thrive every baptized Catholic must engage actively in our community.

Knights of Columbus, as lay leaders, as Blessed Michael McGivney believed with great conviction, have the courage to overcome the hurdles as well as creating opportunities for men to deepen their faith.

# Sick & Distressed Knights

Please pray for all our sick Brother Knights and their spouses. May they return to good health. Your prayers and visits will be appreciated by Brothers Andy Aucoin, Joe Chenier, Gary Bishoff, Patrick Barry, and Rory Wright. Christianity is no longer the formative basis of our society that it once was as the cultural circumstances have changed. That includes the realization that each of us is personally responsible to advance the mission of our Church and our Order.

For decades, Knights of Columbus has been called the "strong right arm of the Church." To continue to live up to the title, we must reestablish enthusiasm in our Order by being more visible, identifiable and active.

Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Grand Knight Kaz Sznerch gk5726@kofc.ab.ca

## **New Member**

Welcome our newest member to Knights of Columbus, Our Lady Of Peace Council 5726.

#### Braden Bilinksi

Braden graduated from Catholic Central High School and is presently attending the University of Lethbridge.



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## **Deacon Ordination**

Our own **Brother Peter Lilienthal** was ordained as Deacon on November 18<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary's Cathedral in Calgary. Along with **Deacon Peter**, **Jim Manzara** from our parish was also ordained. **Deacon Jim** has been posted to All Saints Parish while **Deacon Peter** has been posted to St. Ambrose Parish in Coaldale.

#### Congratulations to both.

Thanks to brother **Ben Renault** for getting a few photos at the ceremony.



#### **Grey Cup Party**

The Grey Cup party at Council 5726 was a resounding success,with approximately 40 attendees, including10 members from Council 1490. The atmosphere was charged with excitement as Montreal and Winnipeg clashed in a thrilling game, culminating in Montreal's victory with a last-minute score of 28 to 24.

The event was well organized, and a special acknowledgment is extended to **Brothers Al Laronde**, **Ben Rainault**, **Alex Misak**, and **John Murray** for their efforts in putting together the festivities. Their hard work ensured that everyone could enjoy the game, the camaraderie, and the delicious food. At halftime,



everyone was treated to a hearty spread of beef on a bun, accompanied by refreshing salads. The halftime feast added to the enjoyment of the game, creating a perfect balance of sportsmanship and socializing.

Following the game and halftime festivities, a group effort went into the cleanup, with a special note of appreciation for the ladies who contributed

their time and effort to ensure the clubhouse was left in pristine condition. Their dedication did not go unnoticed and added to the sense of community that makes events like these memorable.

Throughout the evening, the anticipation heightened with the various pools and games. Congratulations were in order for the winners of the quarter pools: **John Murray**, **Raymond Blasetti**, **Marilyn Rainault** and **Marie Johnston**. The halftime and final score winners were **Mike Roberts** and **Bob Dolan**.

A heartfelt thank you is extended to all the Brother Knights, ladies, and guests who attended and contributed to the success of this social function. It was not just a celebration of football; it was a celebration of community, friendship, and shared enjoyment. The **Grey Cup party at Council 5726** will be remembered as a shining example of how a well-organized event can bring people together.





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# **Memorial Mass**

Our council had the honour of hosting the Annual Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption Church on Wednesday November 29 at 7:00 PM.Father Kevin Tumback was the celebrant and Brother Ken Tratch was the commentator.

A rosary and rose was presented to each spouse/ family member at the conclusion of the mass.

Deceased members of Lethbridge councils were:

St. Basil Council 1490 (Grand Knight Mike Roberts): Ron Fabbi Kalman Hegedes Frank Pavka Eugene Waters Deacon William Young

Our Lady of Peace Council 5726 (Grand Knight Kaz Sznerch): Matthias Harty

St. Martha's Council 9280 (Grand Knight Mark Dixon): Michael Cormican Ivan Rajcic Fernand Nadeau SK Fr. Salvador Ahumada-Ramirez

Saints Peter and Paul Council 10547 (Grand Knight Fred Ridding): No deceased members in 2023

Thanks to all the brother knights of council 5726 who made this a special honour to the memory of our deceased brother knights.

Special thanks to **Our Lady of the Assumption CWL** for preparing the cheese and snack trays and a special thanks to **Cornerstone Funeral Home** for the printing of the programs and their generous donation toward the wine and cheese gathering after the program.



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Please remember our upcoming meetings. There is a combined executive/general meeting on Tuesday January 9 at 7:00 PM, an executive meeting on Tuesday February 6 at 7:00 PM, and a general meeting on Tuesday February 13 at 7:00 PM.

#### Note that all meetings are open to all members.

Please keep in mind that we will be having a **breakfast** on **Sunday January 14** with the proceeds being donated to the **Parkinsons Society**. We will also be holding a breakfast on **Sunday February 11** with charity to still be determined (come to the January meeting with ideas for the charity).

January Bingo will be on Wednesday January 3 and February Bingo will be on Saturday February 17. Note that this is an afternoon bingo that starts at !!:00 AM.

## Saints Peter & Paul Fundraiser

My wife Marilyn and I were pleased to attend the First Annual Dinner, Auction and Show for Council 10547's home parish, Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church. This turned out to be a very successful fundraiser for their parish. There were approximately one hundred people attending the dinner, silent auction and entertainment provided by by Ben Price and his magic show. The event was held at Paradise Canyon Golf Resort, who prepared an excellent meal.

Brother Manfred Poehlmann

## Pancake Breakfasts



We have successfully completed serving breakfast for the parish on Sunday, November 12 and we have donated **\$ 500.00** to the Jack Ady Cancer Center at the Lethbridge regional Hospital. At this breakfast we had the assistance of three young men from grade 12 Catholic Central High School. Helping with the breakfast were Brody White, Dillan Ell and Dominick Yauck. We are very appreciative of their help. They did and

excellent job. We also served a breakfast on Sunday December 10 and donated **\$ 750.00** to **All Saints Parish** to cover the costs of new LED light fixtures in Assumption hall kitchen, hallway and washrooms. The installation of the



new LED light fixtures was done by **Brothers John Henderson, Ben Renault** and **Manfred Poehlmann**. Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the breakfasts and to the parish patrons who attended the breakfasts. Along with the December breakfast, the **Assumption CWL** also hosted a **bake sale**. They had a large assortment of delicious baked goods and the sale was well attended.

# St. Nicholas Children's Party

Knights of Columbus Council 5726 is proud to have co-hosted the St. Nicholas Children's Party on Saturday December 9th at Assumption Hall. Brothers John Murray and Kaz Sznerch assisted brothers from St. Basil Council 1490.

Our own Brother Deacon Peter Lilienthal again reprised his role of St. Nicholas in his full period attire.

The hall was packed with children, parents and grandparents. The children had a great time getting their faces painted, playing games and doing various crafts. There were plenty of hot dogs, cookies, chips, candy canes and juice boxes for all to enjoy.

All the children got one or more stuffed animals or teddy bears as a gift to take home. There were three children's choirs from **St. Pauls School, Mother Theresa School** and **Assumption school** to entertain everyone with their joyous singing. Everyone in attendance had a great time.











# **Christmas Party**

Our council hosted a small **Christmas Party** in the clubhouse for our members, spouses and invited guests on Friday December 15<sup>th</sup>. A great time was had by about 85 attendees.

Many thanks to **Brothers Ben Renault**, **John Murray** and **John Henderson** for making the arrangements. **Brother Alex Misak** made arrangements for the liquor expertly tended bar.

Guests began the evening with some refreshments and then had a wonderful supper of Chinese Food. A couple of **Susan Sheridan's** granddaughters; **Grace Hoffman** and **Sheridan Handsane**, assisted with getting ready and serving the food.

**Brother John Henderson** provided some background Christmas music and hosted a Christmas trivia game.

After that **Brother Manfred Poehlmann** provide some karaoke music for Christmas carols. We had some great voices participating with the singing of the carols, but unfortunately I don't believe we are ready to enter any choir competitions quite yet.

**Brother Ken Tratch** entertained on occasion with some of his jokes to keep the evening light hearted.

Everyone chipped in at the end to help clean up the hall after this joyous and entertaining event.









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# **Council Calendar of Events**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	<sup>3</sup> Bingo 5:00 PM	4	<sup>5</sup> K of C Social 5:00 PM	6
7	8	<sup>9</sup> Executive /General Meeting 7:00 PM	10	11	<sup>12</sup> K of C Social 5:00 PM	13
<sup>14</sup> K of C Breakfast 7:00 AM (For Parkinsons Societ	15 y)	16	17	18	<sup>19</sup> K of C Social 5:00 PM	20
21	22	23	24	25	<sup>26</sup> K of C Social 5:00 PM	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	© Calendar-12.com

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	<sup>2</sup> K of C Social 5:00 PM	3
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