



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## ARCHBISHOP DUKE COUNCIL 6855

- SAINT PAUL'S PARISH – RICHMOND - B.C. – CANADA -  
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### *Message from the Grand Knight...*

Dear Brother Knights,

May is the time for us to reflect on vocations. Together, as brothers Knights, we have the responsibility to bring awareness to our family, friends and the youth of today, remind them to join the priesthood, and tell them of the difference that they can make to our faith and the world.

At the 98<sup>th</sup> Annual State Convention held from April 24-26, 2009, vocations and memberships were some of the most important items on the agenda of our six Bishops and State Officers present, other than the election of the new Officers.

The new elected State Officers for the next Columbian Year 2009-2010 are:

State Deputy – Michael Yeo  
State Chaplin – Most Rev. David Monroe  
State Secretary – Wil Willmot  
State Treasurer – Edward Shawchuk  
State Advocate – Arcie Jose Lim  
State Warden – Barrie G. Stickland

God Bless,

Americo Silva

Grand Knight

Archbishop Duke Council 6855



## ***Knight Of the Month for April...***

***Edwin Dela Rosa***

**Our council Knight of the Month for April 2009 is Brother Edwin Dela Rosa.**

**Bro. Edwin joined our Order two years ago and is one of our young members. Despite raising a young family, he always finds time to serve our council and our parish. He is an active member of our pancake breakfast crew. His help in the kitchen, making sure the sausages are done perfectly and the dishes are washed make him an invaluable asset of our team. He also served at the senior's luncheon, ushers at Sunday masses and most particularly always present assisting our council sports personnel's at every youth sports program that is sanctioned by our council.**



**Our council is indeed fortunate to have Brother Edwin Dela Rosa as one of its members. Congratulations Brother Edwin.**



## ***Family Of the Month for April...***

***Leo & Margaret Carrier***



**Brother Leo has been a member of our council since 1991, while Margaret is an active member of the Catholic Women's League in our parish.**

**Brother Leo and Margaret were the recipients of our council Family of the Year Award in 2000/2001.**

**This unsung couple served our council and parish immensely. Our pancake breakfast program, parish funeral receptions, Thursday's bingo night and many other council and church functions are not complete without their assistance. Both are also regular members of our monthly rosary prayer group.**

**Brother Leo and Margaret have enriched our council and it gives me great pleasure in having them as our Council Family of the Month of April 2009.**



*Did you know?*

*Stan & Barbara  
Leong*

Stan & Barbara are long time parishioners of St Paul parish. As such they have been involved in many activities over the years, e.g. parish festivals, pro life activities, Sisters of Atonement Dinners & school involvement.

As a convert to Catholicism Stan fully embraced the Catholic faith with Barbara & their three children. They are the parents of two boys (who were altar servers for years) & a married daughter and are eagerly awaiting the birth of their first grandchild.

Stan became a Knight in 1990 & a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree member in 1997.

In the 1992 /1993 Fraternal year GK Rod Winning picked them as Council “Family of the Year”.

In 1993/1994 GK Peter McDonagh submitted them as “Family of the Year” for BC & the Yukon, & the State Council approved the submission. Stan, Barbara, their children, & Barbara’s Mother had a wonderful time & the 6855 members who attended the Convention were very proud of them.

He was appointed District Deputy in 2004/06 and a recipient of the prestigious “State District Deputy of the Year” for BC & the Yukon Jurisdiction in 2004-2005.

Stan’s other council awards: Knight of the Year 1993/1994, Ironman 1994/1995 & many Certificates of Merit. He served on the Executive Committee from 1994 in many positions & became the GK in 2000/2002.

Presently, he is a Trustee and a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Team member. He is also the new “Guard Commander” for Pope John Paul 1 Assembly 2485.



## Past Events

### **CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICES AWARDS**

Congratulations to Brother Edgar and his wife Priscilla Ursua, Manuel Gomes, Francis Lee, and Alberto Quilay who were honoured by Canadian Blood Services during it’s Volunteer Recognition & Awards Dinner last March 23rd, for their outstanding five years of service to this organization and the community. You are the pride of our Council.

Once again blood collection on April 27, at St.Paul’s Parish was a success. Thanks to you all brother knights that volunteered your services at the clinic.

## **UNITY AND FRATERNITY**

Brother Knights, once again you all have proven what the ideals of Unity and Fraternity is all about with your presence at the prayers and funeral of deceased Brother Grand Knight Charles Paqueo. I have to compliment Sir Knight Brother Stan Leong for the job well done in coordinating the Honour Guards.

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Our congratulations to the recent grandparents, our Faithfull Navigator Sir Knight Brother Kim Ng, his wife Gloria and their family for the arrival of their second grandchild .

## **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Again this month there were many positive comments about the changes on the serving tables, by the introduction of the new table clothes. However, we continue to strive to improve on whatever we can for the good and well being of our parishioners and council. Therefore your creative ideas or suggestions are an asset to our council. Again, we did very well and look forward to your continuous help. Remember Mothers Day is coming up we have to show our Parish Mothers that they deserve the best service from us all. Then my brothers, lets roll up our sleeves on Saturday, May 9th to set up the tables and chairs on Sunday, May 10th to cater and serve.

## **SPORTS-2009**

As you all know the Coed Basketball Tournament got under way February 28th, and play off was April 4<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the support of our sports Chair Brother Tony Banting with his assistant, brother Manny Tolentino, Youths' parents and friends. The tournament was very entertaining and very competitive. Our St. Paul's Youth team took 4<sup>th</sup> place with the promise to do better next time.

## **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

Brother Knights, our council needs more members in order to get the Membership Star Award. Therefore I ask each and every one of you to please have with you at all times the Form 100. Invite a friend or relative to join our Order, explain to them the benefits of the Order and also the great satisfaction of serving our Parish and Community at large. On Sunday May 10th, at the Pancake Breakfast take the opportunity to recruit new members.

## **MAJOR DEGREE**

Congratulations to all the brother Knights that went through their Major Degree on April 4<sup>th</sup>. I apologize for not being able to be there to give you my support, one can not be in two places at the same time, but I do thank you for taking that next step.

# **Upcoming Events**

## **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

As spring season is here, so is golf. Another family Joint Council event and I will be looking forward to meet and greet all of you who registered. Don't forget to keep track of the starting times and good luck.

## **ROSARY NIGHT**

April Family Rosary Night held at Grand knight Americo and wife Maria Silva home was very humble in atmosphere with the grace of those present. Next Family Rosary will take place at our Brother Mike and Doreen Ripplinger on May 12th, at 8:00 pm. Please let them know if you wish to participate.

## **PARISH BUILDING FUND FESTIVAL**

Tickets are now available for this GREAT ETHNIC FESTIVAL on MAY 23, purchase your tickets from Alberto @ 604-275-7426 or Americo 604-220-6846 or Edgar 604-270-4260 or call the Parish Office. Great entertainment with ethnic food, dancing, and surprise raffle. You can come dressed up with your ethnic costume as well.

All net proceeds are going to the building fund for our new church .Brothers, there are still tickets available. Tell your friends how important it is to BUILD FOR THE FUTURE.

Today we are the recipients of what our ex-parishioners build for us from the past, and we have to do the same for the future generations, only then can we keep our faith stronger and vibrant.

## **CORPUS FUND**

Brother Knights our State Youth Director Worthy Brother Herb Yang is running in the Vancouver International Marathon no Sunday May 3rd, as a fundraiser for the Corpus Fund in support of the K of C, BC Charity Foundation. Give him your support with your donation to: Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Foundation. Please mail to 210 -11609 227th Street, Maple Ridge B C V2X 2L9

## **MARCH FOR LIFE**

May 14, is March for Life campaign day in Victoria if you have the time and wish to go call your Grand Knight Americo Silva @ 604- 220-6846. Many guest speakers will be there including three bishops and our State Deputy Dan O' Hara.

## **MARIAN HOUR OF PRAYER**

May is the Marian Hour of Prayer for our council. On May 26 we will be receiving from Canadian Martyrs the Icon of our Lady of Charity Patron Saint of Cuba and best fit as the # 1 symbol of our order.

# **Important Message**

Members without email please pick up your newsletter after mass on the first or second week of the month at the entrance to the church. The newsletters will be in the envelope with your name.

- Keep a close look at your daily calendar for schedules of Council Meetings and other activities related to Church, Parish and Community.
- Brothers we have reserved a few camping spots in Point Roberts U S A for our annual family camping weekend on July 17 & 18. For more information, please give Americo @604-220-6846 Edgar @ 604-270-4260.

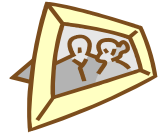
**Americo Silva**

**Grand Knight**

**Archbishop Duke Council 6855**



# Knights in Action



## Exciting finale to “2009 Coed Youth Basketball Tournament”



**THE CHAMPS....ST. ANTHONY**



**1<sup>ST</sup> RUNNER-UP...ST. MONICA**

St. Anthony’s youth team (White) emerged as champions in a thrilling finale by beating St. Monica’s youth team (Orange) 56-53 at the inaugural Coed Youth Basketball Tournament sponsored by Council 6855 held at St. Paul’s Parish Centre last April 4. Earlier in the day, St. Paul’s LifeTeen team (Red) edged out Kapamilya youth team (Black) 51-50 in an equally exciting consolation round match to capture 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

St. Anthony’s powerhouse team was led by Justin Espiritu and Jarren Bato who scored 25 and 19 points, respectively. St. Monica was led by Chris Villanueva who scored 29 points but fouled out earlier in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Hector Capitulo then took charge of St. Monica offensive thrust, scoring 11 of his 16 points in the second half. Both teams played precision basketball, hitting jumpers from outside and penetrating the lane with their inside plays.



**2<sup>ND</sup> RUNNER-UP....ST. PAUL**



**TROPHIES**



**3<sup>RD</sup> RUNNER-UP...KAPAMILYA**

In the consolation game, Vince Tolentino and Fred Ang of St. Paul’s youth team scored 20 and 15 points, respectively, to beat the never-say-die youth team of Kapamilya Youth Dance Troupe. Martin scored 28 points for Kapamilya team.

One would think that with the inclusion of the girls in the line-up that the games would not be as intense as an all-boys team. That thought quickly dissipated on the first game last Feb. 28 when the girls started to find their range from the 3-point arch, scrambled for loose balls and out-rebounded some of the boys in their own team.

District Deputy Tony Pimentel, Grand Knight Americo Silva and several Brother Knights from Council 6855 came out to support the event and gave more than 50 volunteer hours by setting up officials table, chairs for the audience, acting as scorers and timekeepers, and serving refreshments to the referees and volunteers. For the youths and their respective coaches’ participation and effort, each team came home with a trophy and a \$50 gift certificate from Boston Pizza donated by our Council.

This might be the very first Coed Youth Basketball tournament of its kind ever staged in the Lower Mainland. Judging from the number of parents who came to watch and enjoy the games, the host Council is determined to make it even bigger next year by inviting more teams from other Councils or perhaps venturing into other sports like volleyball. So let this serve as an invitation to all Councils in the Lower Mainland to contact our Grand Knight Americo Silva or Sports Director Tony Banting if they wish to receive more information and/or participate in next year’s tournament.

Special thank you to Bro. Manny Tolentino for coming forward with this idea and to all brother knights and spouses who volunteered and/or watched the games - there are so many names to mention, but you will recognize them all in the photos attached.



## Major degree recipients



**BRO. DANNY DE JOYA**



**BRO. JERRY RENTUZA**



**BRO. LAWRENCE BELLEZA**



**BRO. KIM & GLORIA NG  
FAMILY OF THE MONTH  
MARCH 2009**

## Awards



**BRO. BUTCH & ROSITA MENDOZA  
KNIGHT OF THE MONTH  
MARCH 2009**



**SPORTS DIRECTOR BRO. TONY BANTING JR.  
MENTALLY PLAYING BASKETBALL  
AT THE RECENT COED BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

## Action



# MAY 2009

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY                                   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY                                 | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY   |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|
|   |  |   |   |  | 1<br><br>Sports cancelled  | 2<br><br>Spring sale   |
| 3<br><br>Choir mass<br>at 7:45 am                               | 4  | 5   | 6   | 7<br><br>4 <sup>th</sup> degree<br>Exec. meeting<br>@ St Joseph<br>7:30 pm     | 8  | 9<br><br>Golf tournament<br>@ Mylora &<br><br>Set up for<br>Pancake breakfast<br>@ 12:00 noon<br>Gym |
| 10<br><br>Mather's Day<br><br>Pancake Breakfast<br>From 8:30 am | 11<br><br>General Meeting<br>In room # 1 | 12<br><br>Confirmation<br><br>Rosary at<br>Mike & Doreen<br>Ripplinger at 8:00 pm | 13  | 14<br><br>March for Life<br>In<br>Victoria                                     | 15<br><br>Sports night at<br>St. Paul from<br>7:30 pm<br>Gym       | 16   |
| 17  | 18<br><br>Stat. Holiday<br>Victoria Day  | 19  | 20<br><br>Executive Meeting<br>at 7:30 pm | 21<br><br>4 <sup>th</sup> degree<br>General Meeting<br>@ St. Joseph<br>7:00 pm | 22<br><br>Spring Festival<br>Set up tables &<br>Decorations<br>TBA | 23<br><br>Spring Festival<br>Dinner- Dance<br>&<br>Entertainment                                     |
| 24<br><br>31  | 25<br><br>First Degree<br><br>TBA        | 26<br><br>Sarah Meeting<br>Room # 4<br><br>Icon Arrival from<br>C M               | 27<br><br>Marian Hour<br>Of Prayer        | 28   | 29<br><br>Sports night<br>Gym<br>@ 7:30 pm                         | 30   |



# June 2009

| SUNDAY   | MONDAY  | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY                            | FRIDAY                                 | SATURDAY                                  |
|--|---|---------|--|-------------------------------------|--|---|
|  | 1   | 2       | 3<br>Choir Practice<br>8:00 pm                   | 4<br>4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting | 5                                      | 6<br>Clergy Appreciation Dinner           |
| 7<br>Choir Mass<br>At 7:45 am  | 8<br>General Meeting<br>@ 7:30 pm<br>Room # 1       | 9       | 10   | 11                                  | 12<br>Sports Night                     | 13<br>Parish Appreciation Dinner          |
| 14<br>Joint Council Brunch<br>@ Sundance Inn<br>Ladner<br>@ 12:00 noon | 15  | 16      | 17<br>Executive Meeting<br>@ 7:30 pm<br>Room TBA | 18                                  | 19<br>Blood Clinic<br>Gym              | 20<br>Altar Servers<br>Barbecue @<br>Noon |
| 21   | 22  | 23      | 24   | 25                                  | 26<br>Sports Night<br>Gym<br>@ 7:30 pm | 27  |
| 28   | 29<br>First Degree Exemplification<br>@ 7:30 pm TBA | 30      | Choir Practice<br>8:00 pm                        |                                     |  |   |