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St. Kevin's Parish Council No. 13881

Newsletter - June 2008

Trip to New Haven – November 7 - 9, 2008

Registrations are now being accepted for the annual "Pilgrimage to New Haven", scheduled for November 7th - 9th, 2008. Last year's trip, which was the first in ten years or more, was a great success and the response this year is even better. We anticipate having a minimum of 4 buses, with a minimum of 200 people attending.

Here's what the weekend entails:

- Travel to and from New Haven by Highway Coach
- Accommodation at the Wallingford Marriot (just outside New Haven)
- Complimentary Full Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday morning
- Reception on Saturday evening at the Wallingford Marriot
- Tour of the Knights of Columbus Museum
- Tour of the Supreme Headquarters in New Haven
- Tour of St. Mary's Church, followed by Mass on Sunday morning
- Shopping excursion to a nearby Mall

The cost of the trip is as follows:

- \$195/person, based upon double occupancy
- \$275/person, based upon single occupancy
- \$75/child, assuming that no additional accommodations are required
- \$10/person for Saturday evening Buffet (optional and limited space)

To register, visit the Montreal area Knights of Columbus website at www.kocmtl.org and click on Pilgrimage to New Haven on the top of the home page.

If you need any further information, please call Fraternal Counsellor Kevin Ready at (450) 552-1022.



Sir Knights Parade at St. Kevin's Feast Day

A colour guard of about 20 fourth degree knights in full regalia from various Montréal area councils served at the St. Kevin's Feast Day celebrations on Sunday, June 1, 2008. The sir knights led the opening, offertory and closing processions. Afterwards, more than 40 brother knights and family members attended the dinner, which commemorated the 70th anniversary of the founding of the parish. Our new recorder, Boris Polanski, was one of the head table guests. Shrimp cocktail, various salads, and roast ham were on the menu.



Sister Evelyn Calusa's 50th Birthday Party



More than 150 guests including brother knights, squires and family members and other friends attended sister Evelyn Calusa's 50th birthday party held at Hot & Spicy restaurant on Décarie, corner of Jean-Talon, on Saturday, June 21, 2008. The honoree and her husband, Sir Knight Harry Seedihal, were led into the gold ribbon and gold balloon decorated private reception room by an honour guard of KofC Council 13881 knights wearing sashes. Ms. Josefa Nicolas acted as the master of ceremonies for the evening. The head table couple availed themselves of the honour of opening the event with the first dance. Mr. Tom Fernandez aptly performed the role of disc jockey for the music selections for the various dance periods during the party. Each family of guests was invited to light one of the 50 golden candles and to offer their congratulations and well-wishes while the meal was served. Attendees were

offered soup, spring rolls, and Hunan dumplings as starters followed by plates of General Tao's chicken, sesame beef, beef with spinach, shrimps in both lobster sauce and in sea salt, vegetable fried rice and Chinese vegetables for the main course during the buffet style dinner. A 30-minute video presentation of a few of sister Calusa's life highlights put together by Sir Grand Knight Rey Nacino was shown on a projection



screen after the meal. Ms. Melissa Flores Brown, a former Canadian Idol contestant, led a chorus of Happy Birthday and sang a medley of pop songs to conclude the evening's festivities. The birthday cake was then cut after the final dance. The event was recorded in pictures and in video for posterity by the official photographers. Guests were offered one of the candles as a keepsake of the memorable occasion before returning home.

Member Profile



Inside Guard

SK Harry Seedihal

Our inside guard was born in 1961 in San Juan, Trinidad. Harry joined the Knights in 2004. He is married to Evelyn Calusa, with two step children, both university graduates. He has been working in a maintenance department in Cote St-Luc at Castel Royal Senior Residence and Manoir Montefiore. He is also involved in various charity works. He was awarded with several recognitions back home as an outstanding volunteer worker in Feed the Children and Orphanage Home. Last year he was also awarded Best Employee of the Year in Castel Royal Senior Residence. Harry was a salesman/driver in Crystal Water Industry in Trinidad. He came to Montreal in 1988 and moved to Toronto in 1992, working at CN Tower, and returned to Montreal in 1996.

Member Profile



Outside Guard Mario Bajar

Our outside guard was born in 1963. Mario joined the Knights in 2005 and is a 3rd degree member. He is married to Elsie Vallo and the father of 5 children, Jinky, squire members Marsiel and Mario, jr., Clint Daniel, and Allen. He was a serviceman for 17 years in the Philippine marines, assigned to different places in Mindanao, and also in Malacañang Palace as security in 1982. He earned 7 medals, 21 appreciations, and 6 military schooling (basic & advanced medical aidman, combat lifesaver, medical equipment maintenance, instructor development, and marksmanship) and commendation. He took a course as an advanced nursing aid in 1999. He is presently employed full time in maintenance at McGill University.

Tri-Council Family Picnic on July 26, 2008

KofC Council No. 13585, Our Lady of the Philippines, will host a joint family picnic with Councils Nos. 13881 and 14315, St. Malachy, on Saturday, July 26, 2008, at Boucherville Islands park. Activities will commence at 10:00am. A BBQ meal will be provided, but attendees may bring their own food.

Calendar

June 29 - Monthly general meeting
July 5 - Landscaping forecourt at St. Kevin's
July 11-13 Camping at Daoust in Hudson, Québec
July 20 - Squires monthly meeting
July 25 - 1st degree initiation at St. Kevin's
July 26 - Tri-council family picnic

Birthdays

June 5 - Romeo Reyes
June 6 - Paul Hernandez
June 14 - Noel Lacbay
Sister Miguela Aboli
June 16 - Jesus Eugenio
Sister Evelyn Calusa
June 20 - Rizalino Boado
June 26 - Renato Hidalgo
Ike Delfin Osdon
June 28 - Ferdinand Corpuz
June 30 - Emilio Serrano

Family of the Month



Harry Seedihal, our inside guard, with wife Evelyn Calusa and her adopted son Philip, her daughter Reyna Lynn and her son Reyvelyn

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