

Québec Knights Meet at Mid-Year Congress



Temporary Shelter erected at St. Kevin's Parish

Eight brothers from KofC council 13881 worked to put up the temporary shelter in front of the main doors of St. Kevin's church during the afternoons on consecutive weekends in November 2013. The aluminum metal frame of the structure was installed on Saturday, November 2, 2013, and the tyvek canvas cover was subsequently attached on Saturday, November 9, 2013. The spring 2012 work to dismantle the shelter had been profiled with a short article and photograph in the December 2012 issue of Columbia magazine, the monthly color publication of the Supreme Council.



State officers, regional directors, district deputies, and state and regional program officers met at the annual mid-year congress held on November 22-24, 2013 in Victoriaville. State deputy SK Pierre Beaucage stressed the importance of recruitment and retention during his addresses to the assembly, with the theme of the campaign being one member per council per month. The goal for the current fraternal year is to have the gains of new members and readmissions surpass the losses of suspensions and deceased members by at least 200. A cheque for \$25,000 was also presented to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada at the banquet on Saturday evening.



Long Term Care and Guaranteed Purchase Option Policies

Do you know someone who has lived beyond age 80? Are there any 90-year-olds in your circle of friends and family? How about anyone who has reached the “century mark”? The odds are increasing that you know someone who has been fortunate to have longevity on their side. Many workers hope to retire at age 65, and enjoy a long, healthy retirement. However, this scenario requires planning in case you (or your spouse) require long-term care (LTC) in the future. As the costs for care continue to rise, it is important that you take steps to minimize the financial risk associated with extended care and relieve the burden of uncertainty for yourself and your loved ones. November is Long-Term Care Awareness Month, and it is the perfect opportunity to discuss this issue with friends and family. Speak to anyone with a loved one who receives or has received care. Ask about the cost of care in your area. Did you know that more than half of the LTC insurance claims filed in 2012 paid for at home care, while the rest covered assisted living or nursing home costs? Knights of Columbus offers plans that can cover care at a facility, at home or both.

Seven years ago, when a new member joined one of his assigned councils, Field Agent David Chicola did what any Knights of Columbus agent would do: He went out to visit the new Knight and his family. At that time, he sold the new Knight policies on his wife and four children. He reviewed their needs and added family life insurance that included individual policies for each of the new member’s children. At that time, the new Knight’s then-3-year-old son was an average little boy, running around and playing. Unfortunately, that changed a time later when the boy was stricken with Swine Flu. After spending almost a year in an intensive care unit, the boy was finally able to return home following numerous surgeries to relieve fluid building up in his lungs and a kidney replacement. While their son will potentially face problems with his lungs and other major organs throughout his life, he will, at the very least, be able to purchase insurance thanks to the Guaranteed Purchase Option (GPO) rider on his Knights of Columbus policy. Having this rider on the contract allows for the purchase of additional life insurance at given ages or life events, without proof of insurability. In many ways, it is ideal to include on policies purchased for children. “I cannot tell you how it makes me feel knowing what we did for this family and their son for the rest of his life,” Chicola said.

For more information on Knights of Columbus Insurance products contact fraternal counselor SK John Casey at (514) 952-1891 or email jcasey@johncaseymarketing.com.

Remembrance Day Observance at St. Kevin’s

An honour guard of nine fourth degree knights from D’Arcy McGee Assembly 1697 and San Lorenzo Ruiz Assembly 3103 served at the wreath laying ceremony during the offertory procession on Sunday, November 10, 2013, at St. Kevin’s.

Calendar

Nov. 24 - Monthly general meeting
Dec. 4 - 1st degree initiation at St. Brendan’s
Dec. 15-23 - Simbang Gabi at St. Kevin’s
Dec. 21 - Christmas Concert at St. Kevin’s
Dec. 28 - District 91 Christmas party at St. Kevin’s
Dec. 29 - Monthly general meeting

Birthdays

Nov. 3 - Dwight Sullivan
Nov. 14 - Sister Maria Noemi
Nov. 15 - Roberto Penton
Archie Reyes
Nov. 16 - Rolando Rimando
Anthony Del Rosario
Nov. 17 - Dominique Kpoghomou
Nov. 19 - Benedict Olalia
Nov. 22 - Sister Helen Araneta
Sr. Remedios Gonzales
Nov. 24 - Wilbert Nacino
Nov. 26 - Sherwin de Guzman
Nov. 28 - Squire Paolo Cortez
Nov. 30 - Rommel Medina

Family of the Month



SK Reynaldo Ramos, our council’s treasurer, with wife Jo, son Ryan and daughters Reeza and KC

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