

# FR. VICTOR C. COTE COUNCIL 9671



**Serving the Community of  
Good Shepherd Parish**



## NEWS FOR KNIGHTS

November/December 2024

Next General Meetings: Tuesday, November 26th, 7 pm  
and Tuesday, December 17th, 7 pm

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Guard – Rene Bedard (Melba) .....519-727-4682

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## Grand Knight - Edward Raymond



### *A round of applause for our worthy brothers!*

Dear Worthy Brothers, thank you for all you do. We are always stronger together when we join forces to make things happen: Bingos, Breakfasts, Bench pad, Donations, Delivery of Coats for Kids (Paul & Mario) setting up & cleaning up at various events, lots of brothers have helped. Thank you.

Todd, you did an excellent job as usual for the Memorial Mass. Your passion is well noted and felt. Feel free to continue on for the next 12 years! You have a great track record.

Everyone has unique talents, time and treasure to draw upon, whenever they can. Making a difference, being defenders of the faith and family are paramount in our works of charity. Thank you.

As we continue onward, your ideas, input and encouragement (and course corrections) are most welcome. Let's keep charting new courses, and staying on top of all things to make our council an example for others.

All of our Past Grand Knights have done stellar jobs in times past. We are grateful and stand on the shoulders of giants!

Recruitment is very significant in order to continue on our fraternity of traditions, offerings, volunteering, and works of charity. Please "just ask" a fellow Catholic gentleman, if they might be interested. It's that simple.



A special shout out to Brother Jack Regnier for handling the heat in the kitchen over the years and spearheading our pancake breakfasts. Thank you. Merci beaucoup, muchas gracias! Jack is now ready to pass the spatula to the next brother to carry on the coordination of our pancake breakfast. Any volunteers? (Brother Tony, please see me after the meeting).

Let's keep looking for the face of Christ in others, and work on the "Best Version" of being a Knight!

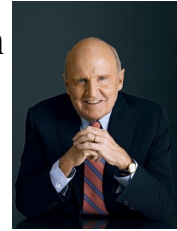
**Your Brother,  
Edward Michael Raymond**



# ***The Knight Motivator***

## ***Quotes for Motivation and Perspective***

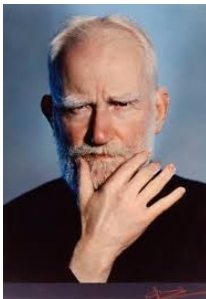
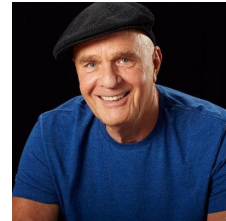
**“Change before you have to.” \_ Jack Welch**



**“If you want to fly, you have to give up what weighs you down.”**

**\_ Roy T. Bennett**

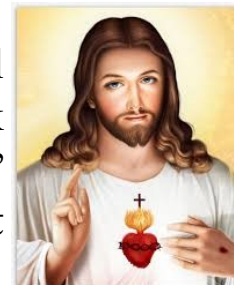
**“Change the way you look at things and the things you look at change.” \_ Wayne W. Dyer**



**“Those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything.” \_ George Bernard Shaw**

From then on, Jesus began to tell people, “Turn to God and change the way you think and act, because the kingdom of heaven is near!”

**\_ Our Savior, Jesus Christ**



## ***New shirts still for sale!***

We have a supply of new shirts for anyone wishing to purchase very sharp black and grey only \$25 each. And these are free to anyone who is willing to work bingos. If interested in buying one, let me know. My number is 226-363-0831

**- Jack Regnier, Bingo Chairman**



Deputy Grand Knight - David Pellizzari



## *Knights making history*

A milestone celebration took place recently. On Saturday, September 14, 2024, the Knights of Columbus celebrated their 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the province of Ontario. In attendance were not only brother knights from our area, but also representatives from across Ontario and Michigan.

Most notably we heard from our State Deputy, Bruce Poulin, as well as Bishop Ronald Fabro who were two of the four primary speakers for the evening. The event was held at the St. Clair College Centre for the Arts in downtown Windsor and the setting was ideal knowing that our brother knights from Michigan were from the land just across the Detroit River (visible from the Alumni Skyline Ballroom).

Our Grand Knight Edward Raymond and his wife Monica attended this historic event along with myself and my wife Pamela. We sat with two other couples and Fa-



Left to right – Monica & Edward Raymond, GK;  
Pamela & David Pellizzari, DGK

ther Dan Morand. A wonderful meal was prepared by the College's student chefs who later came out from the kitchen to be recognized. During dinner, I was surprised to learn that the couple next to me had visited Medjugorje (where the Virgin Mary was reported to have appeared in 1981), at least three times! Now that's a couple who share and live a solid foundation of faith in their marriage.

It was that kind of event... a coming together of people of great conviction all around us. Overall,

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Presentation of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary flag , St. Clair Centre for the Arts, Sept. 14, 2024.

I estimate that about 300-350 people attended this formal event that included the playing of the national anthems from both the U.S. and Canada.

The event was also a good chance to get to know Edward and his lovely wife.

Since we'll be working closely together for the next two years (or

more?), I was glad we were able to spend some time together.

I know that I came away from the dinner with a renewed sense of brotherhood and a determination to continue the good works that we do for our parish and community.

**Yours in solidarity,**

**Dave Pellizzari, DGK**



## ***Together in Faith: Strengthening Our Community as Knights of Columbus***

As members of the Knights of Columbus, we are united by our commitment to faith, service, and fellowship. This past month, councils have embraced the theme of “Together in Faith,” reflecting on the vital role that our beliefs play in strengthening both our individual lives and our community.

### **Faith in Action**

Throughout our history, the Knights have demonstrated that faith is not just a personal journey but a communal one. Recent initiatives, including food drives and community outreach programs, have exemplified this spirit. By coming together, we can make a profound impact on those in need, demonstrating the love of Christ through our actions.

### **Building Brotherhood**

The strength of the Knights of Columbus lies in our unity. As we come together in faith, we also build lasting friendships.

I encourage all members to reach out, engage, and participate in our various council activities. Whether through volunteer work, social events, or spiritual retreats, every interaction strengthens the bonds of our brotherhood.

### **Conclusion**

As we continue to navigate the challenges of today’s world, let us hold steadfast to our faith. Together, we can inspire hope, foster community, and uphold the values we cherish.

Thank you for your dedication and service as we strive to embody the spirit of “Together in Faith.”

Fraternally Yours,

**Donny Thivierge,  
District Deputy 76**



# ***Knight Time: Reflections From Our Knights!***



***“I hope that I’ve had a larger impact on others.”***

I recently asked our Financial Secretary to check to see how many years it had been since I joined our council.

I was truly surprised by the response... 19 years!

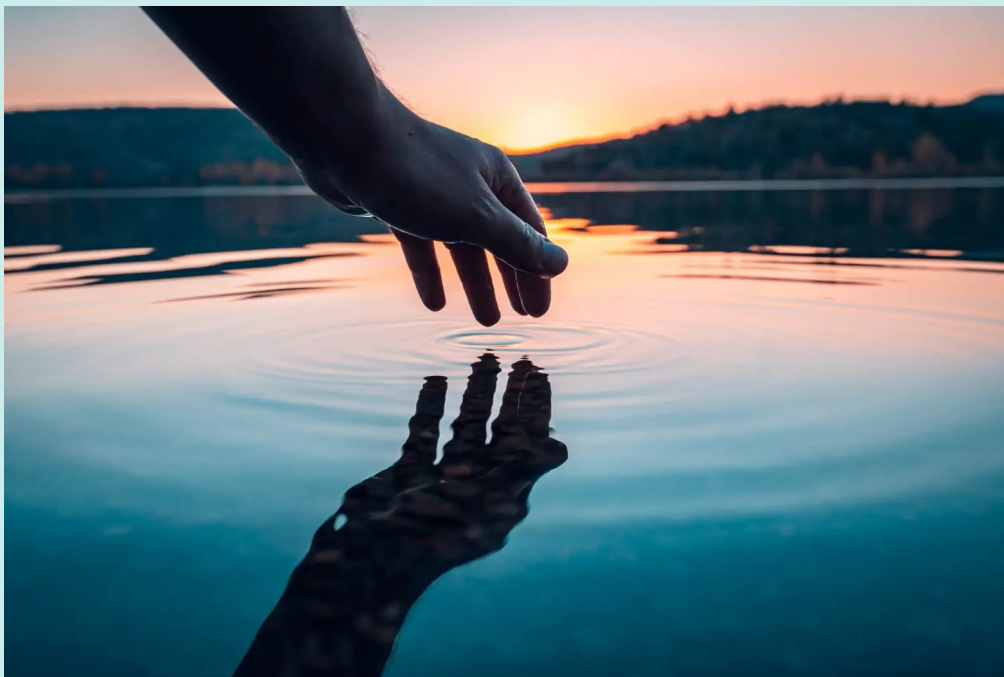
Now, I know we have many brother knights with many more years of service than that, but I was glad and honoured to realize how long I’d been contributing to the lives of those in our parish and in our community.

And though some of that involvement may have been in small ways, I also hope that I’ve had a larger impact on others.

***Dave Pellizzari, DGK***

*What does being a Knight mean to you? Send us your reflections!*

*Email GK Ed Raymond at [edward@leisuretrailers.com](mailto:edward@leisuretrailers.com)*





## ***Wilds World ... Did You Know?***

*- Facts from the Internet!*

***From a recent e-mail***

***Most of our Generation of 60+ was  
HOME SCHOOLED in many ways .***

**1. My mother taught me TO APPRECIATE A JOB WELL DONE.**

"If you're going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning."

**2. My mother taught me RELIGION.**

"You better pray that will come out of the carpet."

**3. My father taught me about TIME TRAVEL**

"If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"

**4. My father taught me LOGIC.**

" Because I said so, that's why ."

**5. My mother taught me MORE LOGIC .**

"If you fall out of that swing and break your neck, you're not going to the store with me."

**6. My mother taught me FORE-SIGHT.**

"Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."

**7. My father taught me IRONY.**

"Keep crying, and I'll give you something to cry about."

**8. My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS.**

"Shut your mouth and eat your supper."



**9. My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM.**

"Just you look at that dirt on the back of your

neck!"

**10. My mother taught me about STAMINA.**

"You'll sit there until all that spinach is gone."

**11. My mother taught me about WEATHER.**

"This room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it."

**12. My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY.**

"If I told you once, I've told you a million times, don't exaggerate!"

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**13. My father taught me the CIRCLE OF LIFE.**

"I brought you into this world, and I can take you out..."

**14. My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION .**

"Stop acting like your father!"

**15. My mother taught me about ENVY.**

"There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do."

**16. My mother taught me about ANTICIPATION.**

"Just wait until we get home."

**17. My mother taught me about RECEIVING.**

"You are going to get it from your father when you get home!"

**18 . My mother taught me MEDICAL SCIENCE.**

"If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to get stuck that way."

**19. My mother taught me ESP.**

"Put your sweater on; don't you think I know when you are cold?"

**20. My father taught me HUMOR.**

"When that lawn mower cuts off

your toes, don't come running to me."

**21. My mother taught me HOW TO BECOME AN ADULT.**

"If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up."

**22. My mother taught me GENETICS.**

"You're just like your father."

**23. My mother taught me about my ROOTS.**

"Shut that door behind you. Do you think you were born in a barn?"

**24. My mother taught me WISDOM.**

"When you get to be my age, you'll understand."

**25. My father taught me about JUSTICE .**

"One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you!"

***This should only be sent to the over 60 crowd because the younger ones would not believe we truly were told these "EXACT" words by our parents.***

***Keep Smiling everyone....  
Brother Dave, PGK***



# K of C Council Pro Life Family..... Dave & Alice Wilds

*If only I had time to grow*  
... from the Internet

**IF ONLY I**  
had more time to grow,  
I know my mommy would  
love me so!

**IF ONLY** my heart had  
time to beat,  
It would be full of love for  
family I'd meet.



**IF ONLY** my legs had time to grow  
longer, I know that soon they'd be-  
come stronger!

**IF ONLY** my lungs could be filled  
with air, then I would know you truly  
DO care.

**IF ONLY** my eyes had time to see,  
I could picture a bond between my  
mommy and me.

**IF ONLY** time could be so vast, so I  
could have memories of the breath I  
took last.



## Charities Chairman - Jack Regnier



<b><u>Nevada Account Start</u></b>	\$7,089.15
Interest	\$0.60
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$7,089.75</b>
 <b><u>Bingo Account Start</u></b>	 \$24,326.19
Donations:	
Good Shepherd	\$6000.00
Salvation Army	\$250.00
Diocese of London	\$1500.00
Katelyn Bedard Bone Marrow	\$500.00
Total Donations	\$8,250.00
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$16,077.79</b>

## Birth and Anniversary Dates

### November Birthdays

Jerry Jasin	2
Shawn Wilds	2
Bob Sylvester	4
Gerry Farmer	8
Stan Lovecky	8
Michael Vettese	9
Gerald Wilder	10
Jim Silvestro	11
Harry Campeau	14
Joe Hinschberger	14
Mike Wilder	14
Louis Paquette	18
Bill Craig	20
Dennis Szechy	20
John Chenier	21
Ted Kummer	24
Alan Stewart	26
Don Seguin	27

### December Birthdays

Desmond Perera	2
David Fortin	5
Paul Boglitch	8
Mark Managhram	8
Daniel St. Pierre	9
Ryan Hooft	16
Richard Kennedy	16
Brian Campeau	26
Tim Eansor	26
Michael Greff	29

### November Anniversaries

Dave & Alice Wilds	24
Todd & Denise Legault	24

### December Anniversaries

Gary & Marianne Goudreau	12
Paul & Diane Loebach	17
Dennis & Larissa Gignac	22
Vukasin & Iva Babic	25
Stephen & Kelly Greff	27
John & Pauline Chenier	31
Paul & Gabrielle Lauzon	31

## Awards for Two Past Grand Knights!



Congratulations to Paul Lauzon (left picture) who was presented with the Columbian Award by Ed Raymond and Dave Pellizzari, and (right picture) David Wilds who was presented with the Knight of the Year award for 2024 by Paul Lauzon, Dave Pellizzari and Ron Barnhard!



# Knights of Columbus

# INSURANCE

*Making a difference for life.*

Brothers,

As Knights, we emphasize the importance of keeping Christ in Christmas. In fact, keeping Christ at the center of everything we do is a year-round mission. Whenever we serve our parish or community, we serve Christ. I also see my service to families as a way to honor him. When I sit down with a family and help them ensure their financial protection, I am serving his Church. I think about this often, and as I look back on the year – reminiscing on all of the relationships I have made with Knights and the security I have helped provide them and their families, I am incredibly grateful.

Now, I ask you – as we close out 2024 and as you spend additional time with your family, consider how any changes from the past year might affect your life insurance portfolio. Even joyous occasions like buying a new house or sending a kid to college this fall can impact your insurance needs. Are you certain your current coverage is adequate and up to date? What would your family's financial situation be this time next year if the unimaginable happened to you or your spouse?

If your answers to these questions are not certain, I encourage you to set up time to meet with me. Let's work together to create a plan that would not only help protect your family but give you the peace of mind and security you all deserve.

Meanwhile, may you each have a holy and peaceful Christmas season with your loved ones. Let's continue to focus on Jesus through the end of this year. And let's pray for one another — especially for those who may be struggling in any way during the holidays. If there is any way I can offer help, please reach out to me.

Thank you. Merry Christmas!



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