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## Fellow Dames and Knights

### 2012 Investiture Weekend—Just Great!!

First, a **big thank you** to all the members of the Order who joined us to support the Postulants at the 2012 Investiture. We had so many Knights, Dames, Postulants and family members present that at the last minute we had to move to a larger room in the hotel. This is a problem that we look forward to facing more often.

For those that couldn't be with us, this edition will give you a brief summary, with pictures, of the weekend.

### The Annual Members Meeting and Webcast



On Friday afternoon, October 12, the Annual Members Meeting was held. 35 members of the Order attended the meeting in person.

For the first time, we used a Webcast to make an event of the Order available to members who couldn't attend. We were informed by the company doing the Webcast that 20 people attended the virtual meeting. This was a great start for a new idea. Hopefully we can expand on the Webcast next year with more events. If you or your company would like to sponsor a segment of the Webcast of the next Investiture, please send an e-mail to [pr@orderstgeorge.ca](mailto:pr@orderstgeorge.ca) and we can provide further information in confidence.

## To Set the Scene

To set the scene for the weekend, below is a letter received by the Grand Master from the Chevalier Paul Baiden KStG following the Investiture weekend.

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Mr. Gareth J. Green  
Grand Master  
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Dear Mr. Green

I write today to express my sincere appreciation to both yourself and all the members of the "Order" involved in making this year's "Postulant Investiture Ceremonies" such a wonderful experience.

I have had the opportunity to attend several formal ceremonies during my life, and therefore, please believe me when I say that this was indeed one my wife Debra and I will never forget!

Again, please accept our compliments for putting together an absolutely outstanding weekend, in particular, the spectacular Investiture Ceremony at St. Paul's. "BZ" to you and the entire committee for your extensive efforts to make this historical event such an enduring memory!

Yours in Naval Air



National Chairman  
Canadian Naval Air Group

## The Meet and Greet

The Friday evening Meet and Greet is traditionally the first opportunity for all the Postulants to gather in advance of the Saturday Investiture and Banquet.

The Meet and Greet began with the investiture of Field Knights who were each congratulated by our Patron General Rick Hillier. Each of the postulants was then introduced to the assembly and presented with their pin. This was followed with the announcement of promotions for members who have made significant contributions to the Order. More on the Field Knights and the promotions in the next edition of the Knightly Herald.



General Hillier congratulates the Field Knights



Our Dean, BGen Karl McLean receives his pin



Valerie Vaughn is promoted to DGCStG

## Saturday—The Investiture and Banquet

The letter above from the Chevalier Paul Baiden, KStG, conveys all that needs to be said about the wonderful Investiture on Saturday afternoon at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Toronto.



Inside the beautiful St. Paul's Anglican Church, Toronto



Canada's Minister of National Defense,  
The Hon. Peter MacKay, KGCStG, is Invested



The Benediction  
The Chevalier Karl McLean KGCStG  
Chaplain General of the Canadian Forces  
Dean of the Order of St. George

## Unveiling the Order's Grant of Arms

The Order has been honoured with a Grant of Arms. Obtaining these Arms has been a long and difficult process and we have been very fortunate to have our had Chief Herald, Robbie Sprules shepherding the project. Much more about the Grant of Arms will appear in the next edition of the Knightly Herald.



The Chief Herald, the Deputy Chief Herald and The Pursuivants prepare for the unveiling.



The Grant of Arms—Hand drawn with handwritten Calligraphy.

## The Banquet



The Chevalier Peter De Sotto, KStG, wows the crowd



The Chevalier, the Hon. Peter MacKay, KGCStG addresses the banquet.



The Grand Master closes the banquet and announces new Officers for the Order

## New Officers

In closing the banquet, the Grand Master announced that the Chevalier Joe Varner, KGCStG was to be promoted to Grand Chancellor of the Order. At the same time, the Chevalier Gerry Nudds, KGCStG was given the new title of Deputy Grand Master.

I hope that these pictures give you a small idea of the great Investiture weekend. Plan now to join us in Toronto next fall for the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Order.

There is much more news including a special Investiture of Dame Eleanor Anderson in Wainwright and a large Investiture of Field Knights at the Rideau Perley Centre in Ottawa that will be covered in the next edition of the Chronica.

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