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Dear Knights, Dames, and Aspirants

As you know, the Almoner's Committee is making excellent progress in terms of shortlisting charitable efforts and new members for our Commandery. You will have received an invitation for our upcoming "Town Hall" meeting at which we will hear presentations from three charities and decide upon the one behind which we will throw our support for the next period of time. (The unsuccessful presenters will receive a donation to make their effort worthwhile). The meeting takes place at the Union Club at from 4:00 to 7:00 on March 15 and includes a nice dinner. If you did not receive an invitation please contact Dame Shannon Baillie DSJ at sbaillie@shaw.ca and bring along your cheque for \$45 payable to Sovereign Order of St. John. Your input on this decision is crucial. Unfortunately, the bylaws of both of our incorporated societies do not permit voting by proxy, so please make the effort to help us make this important decision.

Congratulations are in order to Dame Maria Dominelli DCSJ who is appointed **Vice Commander**. It is anticipated that she will learn the role of Commander over the ensuing 22 months and stand ready to be elected commander when my term is complete. Thank you, Maria and thanks to the Nominating Committee.

Congratulations are also in order to Dame Hazel Braithwaite DSJ who has been awarded the **Women in Business Community Leader of the Year Award** by the Oak Bay News. The article is here: <https://www.oakbaynews.com/community/women-in-business-leading-by-example-earns-community-leader-of-the-year-award/>

Vancouver Commandery will be holding their Investiture Service June 9, 2018. Several of us enjoy going to their weekend celebration and I encourage you to do so, as well. We had a great turnout at our Investiture and it would be good to reciprocate. If you have not taken advantage of the proximity of Vancouver for attending SOSJ functions other than our own, now is a great time to do so. It really is a lot of fun. I have enclosed the Save the Date Notice as well as information on the block booking at the Century Plaza Hotel (whose owners are members of the Sovereign Order).

Last but not least, thank you to those who battled the morning gloom today and brightened their day with service to the poor by serving breakfast to the patrons of Our Place. It really was a lot of fun. Thanks to all of our members for the donation that paid for the breakfast we served. I have attached some pictures which demonstrate the good cheer.

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