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Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, Virginia District, Calvert Province

Sept. 11...Patriots Day...Fly Your Flag...Pray for Deceased 9/11 Patriots

Navigator's Report



Worthy Sir Knights:

Malloy on the Move – Goals

Fourteen events between July 4th and August 19 – indeed your fourth degree has been on the move. Thanks to your Faithful Commander Steve Smith and the many dedicated Sir Knights of this Assembly we have been able to participate in three events during the month of July and eleven events during the month of August. These fourteen events brought individual participation by Sir Knights to a total of seventy-three. That is just wonderful. And, we did this with a lower than usual number of participants for the 4th of July parade. Of course, the 4th was on a Friday this year which opened up a good get-away weekend for many and that probably contributed to a smaller number of marchers in the parade. Nevertheless, those who did march walked away with a ribbon which now hangs proudly on our Assembly banner – joining the ones won in other years. Thank you gentlemen. The Commander's column will give you further details on our Color Corps events.

During our installation on August 20th, I set out four objectives for the Assembly for the Columbian year.

- First, I called for all Sir Knights to remember all four principals of our fine order – Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. At all times as Fourth Degree Knights we need to exemplify by our actions and example the acknowledged character traits that support these principals. We need to remember to be warm and friendly to our regular meeting participants and sometimes to make an extra effort toward those Sir Knights who occasionally drop by a meeting. Sometimes just saying hello and having a smile is all that is needed to make a fellow brother feel welcome. You might just be the one to make that person's day -- by listening, giving a smile or just being you. Let's enjoy each other's company at each meeting even more than we have before. Let's always be kind to each other and most importantly – let's have some fun.

- Secondly, our objective will be to assure that our color corps and honor guard continues to be snappy, disciplined and that we execute our maneuvers with the "spit a polish" deserving of the honor. It takes energy to do this. But we are the bests Color Corps in the state. So let's be stomach in, chest out, shoulders back, eyes forward and heart proud. We are the visible arm of the Knights of Columbus. Let us shine.

- Thirdly, I encourage all 4th Degree members to continue to be active in your home Council. Be a mover and a shaker. Assist your Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight. Take part in as many activities as you can. Make yourself visible as a Fourth degree member in your Third Degree council. Although each council should have a specific liaison to their council from the Fourth Degree for the purpose of reporting on Fourth Degree activities during the meeting, be sure that you or someone makes a Fourth Degree report at each meeting. Volunteer information on joining the Fourth Degree and encourage Third Degree members to finish their degrees by doing their fourth Degree. Always remember that there are four degrees in the Knights of Columbus not three and an "add-on." Just as every Catholic gentleman should be a Knight, every Knight should be a Fourth Degree Knight.

- Fourthly, we need to continue the momentum of last year in gaining new members. We need to share the wealth and enjoyment of the Fourth Degree. Our goal this year is to bring in thirty-five new members at the November 8th Exemplification in Virginia Beach. We can achieve this. Our Admiral, SK Tom Snee will be visiting each Council in our Assembly soon. Take advantage of this. There is someone in your Council that is waiting for you to ask them to become a member in the Fourth Degree. Ask them. Have the Form 4 available. And, encourage interest by achieving objective one, two and three above. In recap –

1. Portray 4th Degree principles at all times in all places.
2. Participate in Color Corps with pride, discipline and energy.
3. Be seen and active in your home Council.
4. Do 1-3 and our objective of membership growth will happen.

See you at the meeting on Wednesday September 17th

Vivat Jesus,
SK Timothy G. Donovan, FN

Next Assembly Meeting Wednesday, August 20th

The next meeting of Fr. Malloy Assembly will be held at Providence Hall, St. Leo the Great Parish on Wednesday, September 17th. The meeting will start with a recitation of the Holy Rosary at 7:30 PM. This will be followed by *The Knights Cafe*, a social, sit-down repast prepared by Brother Sir Knights. A business meeting will follow *The Knights Cafe*. All Sir Knights are urged to attend.

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9/10 Carl Vercio	9/25 Bill Ward
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The Captain's Corner



SK David Todd,
Jr.
Faithful Captain

As we prepare to commemorate the 2nd anniversary of the September 11 tragedy, I felt it would be nice to reflect on one version of the Flag Folding Ceremony. This is especially poignant as our Assembly considers establishing its own Flag Folding Team. In invite all Sir Knights to read over the ceremony and to consider its importance in our day in age.

Flag-Folding Ceremony

The Flag folding ceremony represents the same religious principles on which our country was originally founded. The portion of the Flag denoting honor is the canton of blue containing the stars representing the states our veterans served in uniform. The canton field of blue dresses from left to right and is inverted when draped as a pall on a casket of a veteran who has served our country in uniform.

In the Armed Forces of the United States, at the ceremony of retreat, the flag is lowered, folded in a triangular fold, and kept under watch throughout the night as a tribute to our nation's honored dead. The next morning, it is brought out and, at the ceremony of reveille, run aloft as a symbol of our belief in the resurrection of the body.

- The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.
 - The second fold is a symbol of our belief in the eternal life.
 - The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks who gave a portion of life for the defense of our country to attain a peace throughout the world.
 - The fourth fold represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in times of war for His divine guidance.
 - The fifth fold is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong."
 - The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all, the born and the unborn.
 - The seventh fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.
 - The eighth fold is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor mothers, for whom it flies on Mothers' Day.
 - The ninth fold is a tribute to womanhood; for it has been through their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great have been molded.
 - The tenth fold is a tribute to fathers, for they, too, have given their sons and daughters for defense of our country since they were first born.
 - The eleventh fold, in the eyes of a Hebrew citizen, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon, and glorifies, in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
 - The twelfth fold, in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit.
- When the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God we Trust."
- After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington and the sailors and marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges, and freedoms we enjoy today. SK dt

In Memorium (September Deaths)

9/03/1998 Kenneth Fischer 9/13/1990 James Duffy
9/08/1987 Alfred Pisani

The Pilot's Message

SK Stephan
Smith
Faithful Pilot

Worthy Sir Knights

Last month, Knights of Columbus representatives from all over descended upon the Hilton Washington in DC for the Supreme Convention, temporarily converting this secular establishment into a witness to the strength of our Order and an expression of our Faith.

President Bush addressed the Convention by video, encouraging the Knights to continue their great work. Mel Gibson previewed his movie, Passion, a documentary on Christ's life, to be released next Ash Wednesday, which was well received by its viewers

Sir Knights from many states formed Honor Guards for the several Holy Masses at the Hilton and the Shrine as well as for the relic of the Tilma of Tepeyac, St. Juan Diego's tunic on which our Lady of Guadalupe's image appears, in Blessed Sacrament Chapels at both places. The depth of so many people's faith, manifested in their devotion to Our Lady through reverence of this tangible piece of our history, was a wonder to witness.

The Church hierarchy was represented by 9-10 Cardinals, 45-50 Archbishops/Bishops as well as 100+ priests. Many stayed for the Eucharistic Congress, which focused on Our Holy Father's encyclical, *Ecclesia in Eucharistic*. The commentaries were inspirational, sending their hearers away refreshed with spiritual nourishment.

In that group setting, there was an immediately evident camaraderie, based on common goals and beliefs among the participants, all of whom were challenged to find ways to carry this joyful feeling with us through the daily interactions in our lives. How do we do this?

In fraternal year, 2002-2003, our Assembly was invited to 83 different occasions (ten of which were cancelled due to snow and/or sniper): Holy Masses, Confirmations, special feast days, SK weddings/wakes/funerals, council officer installations, parades, concerts, etc. The number of participants may have varied but the message was always the same. Our presence at each of these events speaks volumes in support of our individual and collective Faith, while also demonstrating the strength of our Order.

On Thursday, September 11, Fr Diamond Council will be hosting a Blue Mass to honor those responsible for the protection of our community and our nation. I would like to extend a personal invitation to all members of Fr Malloy Assembly to join us for this Mass at 7:30PM. Faithful Navigator Donovan has agreed to provide an Honor Guard. In a special way, we invite all active duty military, police, and fire personnel to attend the Mass in dress uniform.

This fraternal year, we have already marched in the Fairfax City July Fourth parade, and taken part in numerous officer installations. We have been invited to the following upcoming events: A) Centreville Parade, Saturday 9/13, Centreville High School, arrive by 9 am; B) Faithful Friar Fr Cedric Wilson's 25th Priestly Ordination Anniversary, Sunday, Sept 14, Nativity parish, Burke, 12:30 pm Mass, arrive by 11:45 am, heavy parking is expected since parish picnic follows Mass; C) Columbus Day, Monday, 10/13, Union Station, arrival time and further information TBA; D) Tomb of Unknown Soldier Wreath Laying, 10/13, Arlington Cemetery, arrival time TBA; E) Arlington Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine Saturday, 10/18, National Basilica, arrival time TBA.

Last fraternal year we had 52 new members, the largest increase in the Jurisdiction of Virginia and a reactivation inspired by our part in the Rededication of St Leo's. Encourage your third degree council members to join the Fourth Degree.

Finally, please give special notice to the Sunday, 9/14 celebration of Fr. Wilson's anniversary. Fr. Wilson has been our Friar for some time and we invite as many Sir Knights as can to join in this jubilant occasion.

This year's Exemplification will be held Saturday, November 8th at the Cavalier Hotel in Virginia Beach. All are encouraged to attend. The ceremony is always impressive to behold. For the ladies, Maggie McCusker has designed a special lunch/ Murder Mystery in the Old Cavalier Hotel.

Our Worthy Master, J P, recently said: "The Fourth Degree is the very culmination of being a Knight. Invite those qualified third degree members of your councils to become Sir Knights." While Knights are involved in countless activities, Sir Knights are our Order's public standard-bearers, silent witnesses to the strength of our Faith, and our patriotism toward our country. Who can you invite to join us?

\$\$An Appeal for Financial Aid\$\$

Sir Knights, The Navigators Log is published monthly as an effort to keep all members of Father Malloy Assembly advised of the activities of the Assembly and to inform you of upcoming events within the Assembly. It costs the Assembly approximately \$1,300 per year to prepare, print and mail the Log. Currently the Assembly has no other source of income other than your annual dues. You can help us defray these expenses by contributing \$20 (more or less) to a publishing fund. Mail your contribution to:

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