

September 2009



Navigator's Log

The Navigator's Report

Brother Sir Knights -

The Fraternal Year has started out with a big bang, reminiscent of the Fourth of July fireworks! I want to thank the Sir Knights that participated in the many events; and I hope we can continue to see an increase in participation in Fr. Malloy Assembly. I will communicate via e-mail and use the Assembly's web-site <http://www.assembly1894.kofc.com> to publish emergent events in between our newsletters; so please visit the web-site and sign-up for the assembly mailing list.

I want to highlight two upcoming events this month. The first is the upcoming Eucharistic Congress to be held at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 11-12 September. The Master is asking for our support as it is very manpower intensive. All members who plan to participate are reminded that they should be wearing their Fourth Degree lapel pin and US Flag Pin as well as any appropriate Miniature jewels above their jacket pocket. Swords are not permitted in the Basilica, so please leave them at home.

Friday, September 11th Honor Guard for Tilma

- Report time 12:15 PM – 4:15 PM in Caldwell Hall (30 S K ' s n e e d e d) .
 - Rotating 15 min shifts -- 2 honor guards in Color Corps regalia, three in 4th degree regalia (tux and baldric only)
- Solemn Opening of the Eucharistic Congress
- Report time 4:00 pm in Caldwell Hall for 6:00 PM Mass Upper Church (20 S K ' s n e e d e d)
 - Greeting by Most Reverend Donald Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington, D.C.
 - The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 6:00 PM, Principal Celebrant and homilist, His Eminence, Justin Cardinal Rigali, Episcopal Liaison for the CMSWR. Please note that is followed by an address by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, for those who wish to stay.

Saturday, September 12th Honor Guard for Tilma

- Report time 8:30 AM – 4:15 PM in Caldwell Hall (30 SK needed -- hopefully the same group from the day before)
 - Rotating 15 min shifts -- 2 honor guards in Color Corps regalia, three in 4th degree regalia (tux and baldric only)
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

- Report time 8:30 AM – 4:15 PM in Caldwell Hall
 - Honor Guard for rotating 15 min shifts (20 SKs needed)
- Closing Mass
- Report time 4:00 in Caldwell Hall (150 SKs needed)
 - Mass at 5:15 PM followed by Eucharistic Procession and Benediction

The annual fall Fourth Degree Exemplification will be held on October 24, 2009 in Richmond. Details are posted on the state's web-site www.vakofc.org as well as our own and include information on the banquet and ladies program. Now is the time to ask potential Sir Knights to join our assembly and have them complete a Form 4 membership application. Please bring the completed applications to the next business meeting on September 16th so the candidates can be approved. Fr. Malloy Assembly will be joining the other Northern Virginia assemblies in hosting a hospitality room. Please let me know if you will be attending and can spend some time working the hospitality room. We also need volunteers to participate in the Exemplification ceremony. The rehearsal will be on Fri-

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Assembly Officers

- F. Navigator— SK George Billy
- F. Admiral—SK William Weich
- F. Captain— SK Dennis Brown
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- F. 3 Yr Trustee— SK Richard Lee, PFN
- Faithful Friar—Fr. David A. Whitestone



The Captain's Corner SK Dennis Brown

Our regular business meeting will be on September 16, 2009. Recitation of Rosary at 7:30 pm followed by Sir Knight's Café. Please bring completed Form 4's for candidates to the meeting for the October 24th Fourth Degree Exemplification in Richmond.

Uniform of the Day. Dress for our regular meetings is Coat and Tie. A Sir Knight asked about dress for meetings. Generally, the preferred dress is coat and tie, but any dress is acceptable if necessary due to work or other activities. We greatly appreciate your presence at meetings, however dressed. There are several "Dress up" events each year, Tuxedo, the Annual banquet meeting, the Installation meeting, and events for official visits of Dignitaries, as announced.

Do you remember dressing Sunday Best? Our Catholic tradition encourages dressing up out of respect for our

priests and the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the tabernacle behind the altar. The religious artwork and statuary in our parishes are visual reminders of the dignity of religious life. Now that we are beginning the Year of the Priest, we as Sir Knights have many opportunities to show respect for the clergy.

Thank you for your support of Assembly, parish and community events.

One of our upcoming Color Corps events is also an event of general interest to Catholics. The Eucharistic Congress at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC on Friday, September 11 and Saturday, September 12. There will be a Solemn Opening Holy Mass at 6:00 pm with Justin Cardinal Rigali as principal celebrant, preceded by Welcome by Mother Mary Quentin Sheridan, R.S.M. of CMSWR, a Solemn Procession, and Greeting by Archbishop Don-

ald Wuerl. Details are at www.CMSWR.org

September 11 also marks the 8th anniversary of the Muslim attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. This year, some are referring to this as a National Day of Service and Remembrance. Lest we forget, at least one parish in our area will have a 9-11 Remembrance of that horrific event. At Queen of Apostles parish in Alexandria, Mark Heintz, NYC Firefighter and brother of Fr. Andrew Heintz, PGK of our Diocese, will be present for an evening ceremony. Mark Heintz carried the body of the dead chaplain, Fr. Mychal Judge, OFM who was killed that day.

So we support our priests during the year of the priests, with so many simple and generous gestures of solidarity with our clergy. Thank you, Sir Knights.

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day evening, October 23rd. If you haven't been to an Exemplification in a few years this might be a good opportunity to see the new ceremonial and to renew acquaintances with your fellow Virginia Sir Knights and their ladies.

Please keep all our priests and religious in your prayers. They need our support more than ever as they carry out their vocation to serve all God's people. Our active participation in our councils and parishes help to build up the Church.

Finally, as we approach the eighth anniversary of the horrendous attacks on our nation on September 11, 2001 give thanks and provide support to the men and women who protect our nation, and ask God to protect them and us from all harm.

Vivat Jesus,
George Billy
Faithful Navigator



The Commanders Corner SK Timothy Murtha

In this issue of the Commander's corner I'll cover three areas. I'll recognize those all those Sir Knights that participated in events since the last newsletter, provide observations / lessons learned, and publish known upcoming events.

The Assembly was busy in July and August, with at least 23 Sir Knights participating in multiple events. The Sir Knights include:

Albert R. Avellino, Greg G. Bacani, William C. Baker, John R. Berg, George H Billy, Larry J Brindza, Dennis A. Brown, Ernesto Gonzalez, Timothy J Hogan, Gerald E Hovan, Frederick H. Hundemer Jr., PFN Carl C.Kaczmarek, PFN Richard P. Lee, John R. Lee, David Lopez, Joseph P. Lynem, Dennis M. Markurat, Timothy C. Murtha, Carlos Otal, Fidel J. Rodriguez, Gerard S. Rutkowski, PFN David J.Todd, and PFN William W. Weich.

The events included :

Fairfax City Parade on July 4th,

Wake for the mother of SK Tom Lynch (Marian Assembly) on July 5th

Fr. Malloy Assembly Installation on Jul 15th

Monsignor Thomas P. Scannell Council Installation on Jul 16th

Father Francis J. Diamond Council Installation on Jul 18th

Saint Mary of Sorrows Council Installation on Jul 19th

Color Corps Certification on Jul 25th

Pope John Paul II Council Installation on Jul 26th

Fr. Malloy Memorial Mass and Wreath Laying on Aug 9th

35th Anniversary of Dioceses on Aug 13th

Silver Rose Ceremony, St Mary of Sorrows on Aug 13-15th

SK Gerald Curren Wedding - ST. Stephens on Aug 14th

Our Lady of Guadalupe Procession, Queen of Apostles on Aug 15th

Highlights of these events included recognition as the 1st place group in adult marching units in the 4th of July Parade and laudable comments from District Deputies for the conduct of Installations, as well as a number of Form 4's from participating Council Officers.

The Silver Rose Ceremony was a multi-day event. It was well attended thanks to the participation of many Assembly members from Council 8600. We assisted in the reception of the Rose on Friday morning, Eucharistic Adoration and Rose Ceremony Friday evening, and departure of the Rose on Saturday morning. Our presence was noted and appreciated by Fr. Bar-kett.

The wedding of SK Gerald Curren, Field Agent, was a late happening event, pulled together by our Faithful

Navigator to support the request of SK Curren. Thanks to all who changed plans on short notice and represented the Knights. Congratulations to SK Curren & his lovely bride.

There were a number of interesting points made at the Color Corps Certification, conducted by District Marshall Tom Trudeau. Tom stressed the changes in the Color Corps Manual and uniformity in this session. Key points include:

Update for the movements for Draw and Return Sword.

For "Draw Sword" the sword is drawn completely from the scabbard at "Draw" with left index finger on tip of blade. At the command of execution "Sword", the sword point is brought to the right shoulder and the left hand returns to the left side.

For "Return Sword" the left index finger goes to the tip of the sword and guides the tip into the scabbard at the preparatory command "Return". The commander will wait until all are prepared (with sword tip in scabbard) to give the command of execution "Sword".

Change to "Present Sword" was practiced – sword is now perpendicular to

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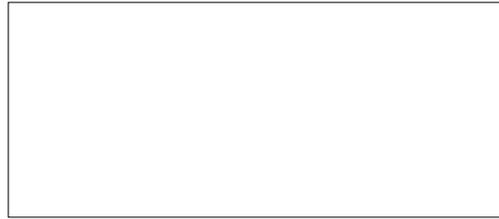
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the floor, parallel with the bill of the chapeau (as opposed to a 45 degree angle). Right hand comes up to the chin roughly your left fist length away from the chin.

Update to controlling scabbard – scabbard held with left hand between index and middle fingers, with hand forming a fist (as opposed to having index finger run down scabbard)

Uniformity. Sword on lap when sitting, sword behind legs when kneeling, when to remove chapeau and when to remove gloves (both at Commander's gesture)

Please review these changes with the Commander at the next event you participate in.

The know events for the months of September / October include:

Mass for Fr Vincent Capodanno at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (Crypt Church) on 3 Sep

Eucharistic Congress at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception 11-12 Sep

St. Ambrose Council Installation of Officers on 19 Sep (anticipated – not yet requested by Council)

Washington D.C. Columbus Day Parade (Union Station) on 12 Oct

4th Degree Exemplification, Richmond on 24 Oct (with rehearsal on 23 Oct)

Check the web-site for updates and additional details. To be notified of an event, please sign up for the EMAIL mailing list at <http://mailman.kofc.com/mailman/listinfo.cgi/assembly1894>, or go to the Assembly website at <http://www.assembly1894.kofc.com/index.cgim>

In closing, I again thank all the Sir Knights that participated in events and ask for your continued support.