



The Patriot's Sword

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The Navigator's Log



We Did It!! As scheduled in our November Newsletter, the Flag pole was installed, at the Palisades Retreat House, the weekend of November 11th and 12th. Co-Chairman SK Bob Dahl, SK's Leon Guterrez, Jim Miles,

Bob Pirolo, myself, and Brother Ron Vandenburg of St. Theresa Council met on Friday Nov.11th, dug the hole, mixed the concrete, installed the sleeve that holds the pole. The concrete cured overnight. On Friday Nov.12th Co-Chairman SK Bob Dahl, SK's Leon Guterrez, Joe Penwell, Bob Pirolo and myself, met and set the Flag pole in place. Success!!-Success!! Just as our Good Lord said about Creation, "It Is Good"!

We plan to raise the Flag the first time on Saturday, December 11, 2004 at 11:00am. If you would like to participate I have two words for you "Be there". We will have a formal dedication in the spring when our identification plaque arrives. Stay tuned for details.

We held our Winter Brunch on November 20th at the Twin Lakes Country Club. We had in attendance 48 members and guests. A great time was had by all and all went well. Our guests were: Father Tom Vandenberg from St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Federal Way, Father Peter Gillette from Buckley, Anne Courney widow of SK Jim Courney, Sybil Decker widow of SK Del Decker, Nancy Joslin widow of SK Billy Joslin, and Mary Anna Tucker widow of SK Harry Tucker. Last but not least from District 12 was District Deputy Stan Pence. Our thanks to the following Sir Knights, SK Bob Dahl for chairing this event, SK Joe Penwell for collecting the monies, SK's Joe Clemens and John Feuerborn for keeping tally on those attending.

Your Color Corp under the direction of Commander Joe Clemens with Color Guards Jerry Koch, Ben McGregor, Jim Miles, Wayne Moritz, Roy Nelson, Joe Penwell, Bob Pirolo and myself were present at the funeral Mass for Brother Knight Jim Judy of St Joseph's Council 7528 on November 23rd. Father Tom Vandenburg celebrated the Mass of the Resurrection for Brother Jim. As you may or may not know any member of

the Knights of Columbus can have the Honor of the Color Corp be present at his funeral. This honor is also extended to his wife, if requested by the family.

Sir Knights, in this months edition of our newsletter you will find a list of "Team Tasks" that was compiled by the Assembly sometime ago and which I should have published at the beginning of the Fraternal Year, but be that as it may...If you see something on the list that you would like to Chair, please let me know. Many of these "Tasks" are not being accomplished at this time. (The More Helping Hands The Merrier). Please keep this list as a reference so if in the future you are looking for something to do, you will know where to find it.

Sir Knight Bill Stearns has stepped forward to Chair our Christmas Family Program with SK Wayne Moritz's input. This year we have a single mom with daughter and a single dad with son and daughter. Bill would like to have some more help so please call him at 253-927-2345.

An Officers meeting will be held Wednesday, December 15, 2004 at Holy Spirit Church in the Mother Theresa Room at 7:00pm. Officer meetings are opened to ALL Sir Knights. Please feel free to come. I would appreciate knowing if you will be attending as I plan for a snack or two. A couple of items that we will discuss are the Christmas Family and a Charity request from Viola McGregor wife of Sir Ben McGregor.

I hope all had a good Thanksgiving as we have a lot to be Thankful for. Wishing all a Merry and Holy Christmas and a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year!!

Vivat Jesus

Jim Sheffield, Faithful Navigator

The Captain's Mast



Here it is December, can you believe it! Wow this year has gone by fast. It seems like just yesterday the trees were starting to bloom and the air had that sweet smell of spring. Now people are clamoring to get their

holiday shopping done and ready there homes for Christmas. Yes, tis the season of giving. Not just that of giving gifts, but giving of ourselves to others in need.

At one time or another most of us hear our neighbors or friends ask, "Can you do me a favor?" Whatever the request, we tend to respond with, "Sure thing" or "Of course." It's an automatic reaction. Friends do favors for one another.

What is true in the mundane life of work and neighborhood is true in the realm of heaven. The trust, generosity and love that favors presume do not die with the end of our life on earth. These are lasting realities, lasting into eternity. Our friends in heaven still respond "Sure thing."

Each day the Father McGivney Guild receives accounts of favors received through the intercession of this heavenly friend. Every imaginable need, from relief of physical pain to finding a new job, has been answered by Father McGivney's prayers. Bimonthly in the Father McGivney Guild newsletter we publish many of the prayers answered through Father McGivney's intercession. Petitions for his aid and favors received are also published regularly on the Knights of Columbus Web site, www.kofc.org.

(Parts extracted from August 2004 Columbia)

Jim Miles, Faithful Captain

Color Corps Commander's Call

Upcoming events for the Honor Guard.

- ☑ December - Need to know what parishes will require 4th Degree Knights at the mid-night masses Christmas Eve.
- ☑ Sunday, December 26th. Honor Guard with Color Corps to perform an opening and closing flag ceremony, for the Annual Knights of Columbus Christmas Basketball Tournament Opening Ceremony will be 1:30pm. Closing ceremony will be around 5:30pm on Tuesday, December 28th. This event will be co-hosted by the councils of both St. Francis' and St. Bernadette's' parishes. The event is also involves the CYO and will be held in St. Francis' new gym. For Knights without Regalia. Please Come in Tux and Baldric as your presence adds great support to the ceremony and you will be asked to march.

If you are interested in joining, please call Bob Dahl 253-838-9873 or e-mail brdahl@aol.com.

Faithful Comptroller's Ledger

Sir Knights, on or about the 15th of December I will be sending out the 2005 billing for dues for the Assembly. Please be prompt with your payment. A note to the members of Council 7528: Please send your dues for the 4th degree separately from your 3rd degree dues. I had several of you send 1 check for \$50 to either the Assembly or the Council. I won't be able to accept a single check this year for both. Thanks for your continued support. Tim Philomeno, FC

Santa's Sleigh

As has been the custom during the Christmas season, Bishop Thomas E Gill Assembly has provided for those less fortunate in our Community. This year we have adopted two families through Catholic Community Services' "ADOPT-A-Family" program.

We will be soliciting donations for both of these single parent families. Dead Line for Donations to be made: Dec 17th 2004. There will be a wrapping party at Bill Stearns home the evening of Saturday Dec 18th, at 7:30 PM. We will deliver the Gifts on Sunday Dec 19th.

First Family Wish List

Single Mother: Super Mall gift certificate, Cookbooks, Set of Dishes

Son Age 12: Pants, Sizes 10-12, Shirts, Sizes Large, Shoes, Size 6, Gart Gift Certificate, Jeans, Warm Jacket

Daughter age 17: Pants, Dresses Sizes 5-7, Shirts, Blouses Sizes Med, Shoes, Size 7½, Curling Iron (*Straightener*), Borders Books Certificate, Pretty Sweater, Tickets for the Family to a Movie or Basketball Game.

Second Family Wish List

Single Father: Clothes for Job Interview, Tools

Son Age 5: Pants & Shirt Size 6, Shoes, Boys Size 12½, Jeans, Warm coat, Boy Toys, Books.

Son Age 4: Pants & Shirt Size 5, Shoes, boys Size 11½, Jeans, Warm coat, Boy Toys, Books.

If any member of the Assembly is interested in donating Monies or Gifts, or is interested in wrapping or Helping deliver the Gifts to these Families Please contact me William R. Stearns wrstearns@msn.com (253)925-1492, Cell-(206)617-2874, Fax-(253)927-5121

Happy Birthday!

Date	November Birthdays	Date	November Birthdays
1 st	William Rumpza	20 th	Vince Mansanarez
4 th	Joseph Langlois	23 rd	David Myers
8 th	Clarence Jones	30 th	James Martz
10 th	Kevin McGillis	30 th	Richard Thompson
14 th	Cornelius Hauge	30 th	John Sullivan
18 th	Stanley Pence		

Happy Anniversary!

Date	December Anniversaries
6 th	David & Mary Caton
18 th	Steve & Sue Drake
27 th	Jerry & Stella Nnanabu

If you would like your birthday or anniversary listed in the Patriot's Sword, or would like to receive this newsletter electronically please send your information and email address to either the Faithful Navigator or Faithful Comptroller using the e-mail address' listed below or send it in to the return address listed on the mailing page of this newsletter.

Good of the Order

Please remember our Brother Sir Knights and Family Members in your daily Prayers. If you know of a Brother Sir Knight or Family Member sick or in distress, Please call the Faithful Navigator or Faithful Comptroller right away.

Brother Sir Knights		Family Members	
Montie Cromwell, DD 15			
Leo Ligad			
Frank Hyke, FN, Lakewood			
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Washington State Council's web site: <http://www.kofc-wa.org>

2004 - 2005 Meeting Calendar

December

15 th Thursday 7:00 PM	Officers Meeting POC: Jim Sheffield - 253-854-1546	Holy Spirit Parish, Mother Theresa Room 310 S 3 rd Street, Kent
29 th Wednesday 7:30 PM	Assembly Meeting POC: John Mergens - 253 854-2828	Kent Museum 855 East Smith Street, Kent

January

1 st	Happy New Year 2005	
26 th Wednesday 7:30 PM	Assembly Meeting POC: Tim Coggins - 253-931-4764	Holy Family Parish 505 17 th Street SE, Auburn

February

23 rd Wednesday 7:30 PM	Assembly Meeting POC: Joe Penwell - 253-941-6339	St Vincent De Paul, Willenborg Center 30525 8 th Ave S, Federal Way
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March

23 rd Wednesday 7:30 PM	Assembly Meeting POC: Mike Adams - 206 824-5934	St Philomena's Parish Hall 1790 S 222 nd Street, Des Moines
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April

13 th Thursday 7:00 PM	Officers Meeting POC: Jim Sheffield - 253-854-1546	Holy Spirit Parish, Mother Theresa Room 310 S 3 rd Street, Kent
27 th Wednesday 7:30 PM	Assembly Meeting POC: Jim Sheffield - 253-854-1546	Holy Spirit Parish, 310 S 3 rd Street, Kent



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