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Navigator's Log



My brother Knights- please join me in welcoming our 6 new 4th Degree members who went through a very successful exemplification at Sacred Heart Parish in Bellevue on October 28th. Our assembly has already

attained 50% of our quota for the year. These fine gents were: Tom Appleton, David Toby and Ted Medina from Council #7528; Jacob Ferong and Nathan Ferong from Holy Family Auburn Parish and Tom Vandenberg from St. Theresa's Parish. Five out of these 6 men have served their country in the Armed Forces. We had the 2nd to the largest representation of all the Assemblies who attended this degree from Western Washington.

I'm also very proud of the fact that our Assembly had very good representation in the stunning flag presentation ceremony preceding the 4th Degree banquet at the end of the day. My thanks go out to Color Corps Commander Bob Dahl and Sir Knights Joe Clemens, Bob Pirolo, Joe Penwell and Ray Garcia for all the hard work practicing for this ceremony. George Fetter also deserves recognition for attending the two practices as he and I are possible substitutes for future exemplifications and flag ceremonies.

I'd like to remind you that our November 4th Degree meeting will be next Wednesday, November 15th at St. Theresa's Parish-one week early due to Thanksgiving. Please plan on attending this important meeting as we want to talk about our next two projects for the holidays including sponsoring a needy, deserving family in our area as well as our Christmas "stocking project" for Operation Home Front. Sir Knight Captain Tony Robinson is organizing this venture (please read his column!)

Our only December meeting will be a celebration brunch at Twin Lakes Country Club on Saturday, December 16th from 10:00-12:00 for all Sir Knights and their ladies as well as invitations extended to our Bishops, Priests and State Officers who will be invited to attend. This brunch will also serve a dual function-we

will have a fund raising collection basket for optional donations to help support our future projects in the name of Patriotism and to help an impoverished family in our community-if you can please be generous so that we can help those in need.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a wonderful Thanksgiving season. I think you'll agree we all have so much to be thankful for in this great country of ours. Please pray for our men and women in Iraq and Afghanistan and their families-that they too will have a joyous holiday season and will be able to have safe passage back to their waiting loved ones.

Vivat Jesus

David Caton, Faithful Navigator

Captain's Corner



Sir Knights at our last meeting, our Assembly agreed to do two worthy projects during the upcoming Christmas Season. They are Christmas Stockings for our wounded troops and providing Christmas for a family within our Assembly area.

The Christmas stockings are easy to do I ask that all of you put together a stocking stuffed with items that will show those who serve us so bravely that they are not forgotten. If you don't know what to put in them, here are a few ideas. Christmas candy, popcorn, nuts, dehydrated fruit, fudge, deck of cards, hand held game, music CD, note cards, stamps, pens, prepaid phone card (not MCI) PX certificate (you can order at www.aafas.com) shaving cream, razor, DVD, fast food certificate. You get the idea anything to show we appreciate our troops. The stockings can be for male or female troops. We will collect the stockings at our Assembly meeting and give them to Operation Homefront to deliver. Please participate in this show of support for our troops. If you can't make the meeting make a stocking and give it to a Sir Knight that will be at the meeting. Ask your friends to make a stocking the need is great. The second project providing Christmas for a needy family has been funded by the Assembly with \$250. I will have information on the family at our next meeting so we can discuss what we want to provide the family. I thank you in advance for your support of these worthy endeavors. Patriotism and Charity the 4th Degree at it's best.

Vivat Jesus
Tony Robinson, Faithful Captain

Faithful Comptroller's Ledger

We still have several members that have not paid their current years dues. If you have not sent in your dues, <u>PLEASE</u> do so now. Feel free to call me if you believe that there are any mistakes or if you have any questions. My home phone is 253.661.2296, cell 206.391.8008 and email tphilomeno@sparling.com.

Exemplifications:

Westside exemplifications continue. Mark your calendars and get those Form 4's filled out and turned in. We had a great last year recruiting new Sir Knights. Let's make this our banner year.

Bellingham, 17 Feb 07 Lakewood, 9 Jun 07

Burien, 31 March 06

Least We Forget:

Earlier this month, millions of Americans exercised one of our nation's most cherished liberties – the right to vote. While the results of the general election will be debated and analyzed in the days, weeks, and possibly months to come, what's clear is that the true winner is our system of democracy, which has continued to flourish because of the unselfish actions and sacrifices of our armed services. From the Revolutionary War to today's war against terrorism, brave soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines – at home and abroad – have fought to protect our nation, our freedom and the values we hold dear. Every November 11, since 1921, Americans everywhere have paid tribute to these brave patriots, those who returned home safely, as well as those who gave their lives defending this land.

This Veterans Day I hope you had the chance to reflect on the countless warriors who have guarded America and its values for more than 200 years. As you do this, please remember the men and women currently in uniform who are doing their best to protect our freedom, and know that your support are assisting them in their cause to keep this nation great.

Spiritual Pilgrimage with Pope Benedict XVI



The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a "spiritual pilgrimage" with Pope Benedict XVI as he travels to Turkey in late November.

Knights, their families, and all Catholics are being asked to pray daily for the Pontiff during the trip, which begins on Tuesday, Nov. 28 and concludes on Friday, Dec. 1.

Knights will pray for the pope's intentions beginning on Nov. 26, the Sunday before the pope departs (the Solemnity of Christ the King).

A special prayer has been written by the Order's Supreme Chaplain, Bishop William E. Lori. (printed below for your use)

Heavenly Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name, we humbly ask that you sustain, inspire, and protect your servant, Pope Benedict XVI, as he goes on pilgrimage to Turkey – a land to which St. Paul brought the Gospel of your Son; a land where once the Mother of your Son, the Seat of Wisdom, dwelt; a land where faith in your Son's true divinity was definitively professed. Bless our Holy Father, who comes as a messenger of truth and love to all people of faith and good will dwelling in this land so rich in history. In the power of the Holy Spirit, may this visit of the Holy Father bring about deeper ties of understanding, cooperation, and peace among Roman Catholics, the Orthodox, and those who profess Islam. May the prayers and events of these historic days greatly contribute both to greater accord among those who worship you, the living and true God, and also to peace in our world so often torn apart by war and sectarian violence.

We also ask, O Heavenly Father, that you watch over and protect Pope Benedict and entrust him to the loving care of Mary, under the title of Our Lady of Fatima, a title cherished both by Catholics and Muslims. Through her prayers and maternal love, may Pope Benedict be kept safe from all harm as he prays, bears witness to the Gospel, and invites all peoples to a dialogue of faith, reason, and love. We make our prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Happy Birthday!

Date	November	Date	November	
4 th	Romeo Mayor	20 th	Christopher Andersen	
8 th	Wayne Miller	22 nd	Mark Busch	
11 th	Juan Favela	24 th	Donald Wolf	
18 th	Robert Pirolo	24 th	Mark Mareko	
19 th	Gregory Vicars	30 th	David Berg	
20 th	Walter Anderson			
Ladies				
18 th	Anna Toby			
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Happy Anniversary!

Date	November
17 th	Michael and Maureen Fay
26 th	Theodore and Betty Medina
28 th	Juan and Karen Lezcano

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		
Alex Plys			Ted Gimlin's Mother	Dave Caton's Sister
Bill Martin			Kevin Buck's Daughter	
Horace Suinn			Mike Fay's Father-in-law	
Bernie Price				
Deceased Brother Sir Knights		Deceased Family Members		
Al Wolfskill		_	Jim Markwith (Jeff's brother)	

2006-2007 Assembly Officers Directory

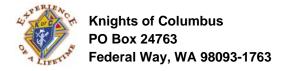
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2006 Events Calendar					
	November 2006				
15 th Wednesday 7:30 PM	Assembly Meeting POC: Bob Dahl - 253-838-9873	St. Theresa Parish 3939 SW 331 st ST SW, Federal Way			
28 th Tuesday All day	Start your Spiritual Pilgrimage with Pope Benedict XVI	See article in this newsletter for the prayer.			
December 2006					
1 st Friday All day	Last day of your Spiritual Pilgrimage with Pope Benedict XVI	See article in this newsletter for the prayer.			
16 th Saturday 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon	Assembly Breakfast POC: Bob Dahl - 253-838-9873	Twin Lakes Country Club 3583 SW 320 th St. Federal Way			
January 2007					
HAPPY NEW YEAR					





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