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Navigator's Log



My Brother Knights- I'm writing this on the first day of Advent, which as you know literally means "to come". As Catholic Christians, we anticipate the coming(s) of our Savior Lord Jesus Christ in his

return in glory, and in the mystery of the Eucharist and the Sacraments.

Thinking back to many Christmases past, the warmth I have felt has not come from gifts we have received, but more from cherished family traditions and traditional experiences in our parishes, which have brought out our feelings of excitement, joy and anticipation of Christ's birth.

At least for me, part of this Advent tradition has been in the spirit of giving, especially to those who be away from their loved ones or those of limited income. One way we can do this is to reach out to our brave military men and women who fight for our precious way of life and freedom from tyranny and terrorism. No matter how you feel about the war in Iraq or war on terrorism and the recent severe setbacks brought on by insurgents, we need to support our military as 4th Degree Knights. I hope you will sustain our Christmas stocking project and other future patriotic actions, that as Knights, we are called to be involved in.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a joyous Advent and Christmas season. Please join me in the spirit of giving as well as in slowing down to savor the traditions and trappings of the Christmas season!

One last request before slowing down, please take some time to complete our annual survey of Fraternal Activities. You will find it enclosed in this months Patriot's Sword. Please bring it with you to our brunch on December 16th. Thank you and God Bless.

Vivat Jesus

David Caton, Faithful Navigator

Captain's Corner



This time of year for many of us is hurried and stressful. We have places to go, people to see, presents to wrap, trips to be made and one more party to attend. Although this may too many be the Christmas Season, they are missing

what makes it the Christmas Season and that is Christ. This time of year is the coming of Christ, his birth and our salvation. Do not get so busy that you miss the benefits of the season, refection, family, friends and most of all the birth of our Lord and Savior. Take the time to understand what His birth means to us as Catholics and Sir Knights. Open your hearts to His Blessings and Grace. Reflect on the gifts He has given us and take joy in his coming.

It is my sincere wish that you and your family continue to receive Our Lords Blessings and Grace and that you take the time to truly enjoy the Christmas Season. Hope to see you all at our brunch on the 16th.

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, **PLEASE** do so now. I will be collecting Next Year's Dues at the brunch on the 16th for those wanting to get a jump start on paying their dues and help us save postage. 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. We're half way there!!!

Bellingham, 17 Feb 07 Burien, 31 March 06
Lakewood, 9 Jun 07

Assembly Brunch:

For the many of you who were unable to attend our 4th Degree November meeting last night, I'd like to extend a warm invitation to you to attend our Christmas Brunch on Saturday, December 16th at Twin Lakes Golf and country club from 10-12 AM. The cost is \$15 per person and the dress is casual (no jeans). Please call Joe Clemens for reservations at (253)838-1790. Don't delay reservations must be confirmed by December 9th!!!

Menu: Scrambled Eggs, Bacon & Sausage, Hash Browns, Sweet Rolls, French Toast, Juice, and Coffee/Tea

Operation Homefront:

For those of you who would like to get into the Christmas spirit, I'd also like to invite you to bring one or more Christmas stockings for our active duty troops filled with stocking stuffers (see suggested list below).

These stockings will be given to "Operation Home Front" (www.operationhomefront.net) a wonderful country-wide organization which supports our troops and their families. Our assembly has decided make this our patriotic duty for the Christmas season. This Christmas stocking is strictly optional and not necessary for your attendance at our brunch, but we hope we have a good response!

CHRISTMAS STOCKING SUGGESTIONS (PLEASE BRING TO December meeting/brunch on December 16th)

- (1.) Christmas candy (hard candy)
- (2.) Popcorn
- (3.) Nuts
- (4.) Dehydrated Fruit
- (5.) Fudge
- (6.) Deck of cards
- (7.) Hand held games
- (8.) Music CD's
- (9.) Note cards
- (10.) Stamps
- (11.) Pens
- (12.) Pre-paid phone cards (not MCI)
- (13.) PX certificate (order at www.aafes.com)

- (14.) Shaving cream
- (15.) Razors
- (16.) DVD's
- (17.) Fast food certificates

These stockings can be for either male or female troops-we will collect the stockings at our brunch on December 16th and give them to Operation Homefront to deliver. If you can't make the brunch, give the stocking to a fellow Knight that will be at this meeting/ask your friends to make up a stocking, as the need is great. If you have Questions Call Tony or Carol Robinson at (253) 839-1084

Council Pot-Luck:

St Joseph Council 7528 will have their annual Christmas Potluck Dinner at St Vincent de Paul parish This succulent feast will take place on Saturday December 16 after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Once again this year, Eddie Cooper and Dan Reeb will cook their world famous fried turkeys along with a few other dishes. Please bring your dish according to the following guide:

Last names A-D: Vegetable dishes
E-I: Salad and Pasta dishes
J-N: Breads
O-S: Desserts
T-Z: Meat dishes

If you are interested in helping, please contact me @ 253-946-9067. Thanks, Eddie Cooper

Assembly Membership Goals

Assembly membership goals are set each year based on a percentage of the size of the assembly much like Supreme sets membership goals for the Councils Our membership goals for 2006-2007 are based on 10% of 121 members as of July 1, 2006

	Goals for 2006-2007	YTD	% of Goal
New members	12	6	50%

Correction:

Last month we published the names of our newest Assembly members. I mistakenly stated that Tom Vandenberg was among the new members when actually it was Ron Vandenberg. Please welcome Ron to our assembly.

That means that Fr Tom Vandenberg is still available for someone to sponsor.

Happy Birthday!

Date	December	Date	December
1 st	William Rumpza	15 th	Dave Toby
4 th	Joseph Langlois	18 th	Stanley Pence
6 th	Juan Lezcano	20 th	Vince Mansanarez
8 th	Clarence Jones	23 rd	David Myers
14 th	Cornelius Hauge		
Ladies			
3 rd	Rita Yokum	12 th	Tina Gonzalez

Happy Anniversary!

Date	December
6 th	Richard and Tina Gonzalez

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	Joe Penwell	Ted Gimlin's Mother	Dave Caton's Sister
Bill Martin	Mike Fay	Kevin Buck's Daughter	Horace Suinn's Daughters
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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Washington State Council's web site: <http://www.kofc-wa.org>

2006 Events Calendar

December 2006

16th Saturday
10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Assembly Brunch
POC: Bob Dahl - 253-838-9873

Twin Lakes Country Club
3583 SW 320th St. Federal Way

MERRY CHRISTMAS

January 2007

HAPPY NEW YEAR

24th Wednesday
7:30 PM

Assembly Meeting
POC: Joe Penwell - 253-941-6339

St Vincent De Paul, Willenborg Center
30525 8th Ave S, Federal Way

Febuary 2007

28th Wednesday
7:30 PM

Assembly Meeting
POC: Joe Penwell - 253-941-6339

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30525 8th Ave S, Federal Way



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