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The Navigator's Log



This time of the year...out taking a walk...early in the morning, before all the traffic gets rolling...real quite...kind of foggy...nip in the air...all the leaves are turning different colors, and the smell of fall...sure makes one thankful to be able to do this. To know how truly Blessed we are by our God! If you are able to do this and you haven't...Try it...you might like it. While you are walking and enjoying God's Blessings...say a prayer for those you are unable to do this.

The Month of October is the month we honor our blessed Mother Mary. Most 3rd degree Councils are praying the Rosary for the month, if yours is doing this please be sure to participate.

On September 20th, Brother Joe Clemens, Bob Dahl, John Mergens and I surveyed the site at the Palisades Retreat House, where the Flag Pole will be erected. When the Flag Pole is delivered, Brother Bob Dahl will get together a number of Brothers to install. Please stand by if your able to help. Its possible where the Pole is to be erected, the lighting will be sufficient. We decided to get the Flag flying and then take a look at it. So if the lighting is good, this will be a big plus, if not electricity is close by. More information will follow later.

Brother Joe Penwell, our Chairman of the October 23rd 4th degree Exemplification, reports all is going well. If you plan to help or attend and haven't notified Brother Joe...Please do so, time is running short.

A little something I picked up from our Parish Bulletin, published by the USCCB Administrative Committee on "Faithful Citizenship: A Catholic Call to Political Responsibility"... "Catholic Teaching on the Life and Dignity of the Human Person:"

Politics.....should be about an old Idea with power--the common good. The central question should not be," Are you better than you were four years ago?" It should be, "How can "we"--all of us, especially the weak and vulnerable---be better off in the years ahead? How can we protect and promote human life and dignity? How can we

pursue greater justice and peace?

Vivat Jesus

Jim Sheffield, Faithful Navigator

The Captain's Mast



During the two years I spent as a District Deputy, I was twice honored to be selected as a delegate to the Supreme Convention once in Anaheim, CA and once in our nation's capital Washington D.C... There were many speakers but one in particular captured my attention, Rev. Gabriel B. O'Donnell, postulator of Father Michael J. McGivney's cause to Sainthood. I've always been interested in the lives of the Saints, and the thoughts of our founding father being elevated to the honors of the altar, to put it simply, overwhelm me.

For the next few months I thought it would be interesting to get our Brother Knights informed about the history and cause of Father McGivney's canonization. Each month I will highlight an article on the progression towards Sainthood, along with some interesting facts about his life and what has been done since his death.

Rev O'Donnell has stated "one of the remarkable aspects of working on the canonization of the Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney is to witness how devotion to him is spreading. Interest in his life and awareness of his spiritual vision are rooted in a devotion to him that sprung up shortly after his death 114 years ago this Aug. 14".

It is logical to conclude that the opening of his cause for canonization has sparked new enthusiasm for his message. In fact, it is the other way round. It was the growing awareness of the need to return to his vision and message that has spurred interest in his cause for canonization.

Devotion to Father McGivney is not a recent phenomenon. On the 10th anniversary of his death, in 1900, Knights of Columbus from Brooklyn and other

parts of New York made a pilgrimage to the founder's grave at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Waterbury, Conn. According to news reports, approximately 5,000 Knights and their families participated. The pilgrimage became an annual event.

At its peak this pilgrimage, dubbed "Founder's Day," lasted several days and included solemn Masses, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, theatrical depictions of Father McGivney's life, picnics and formal public addresses on the early days of the Knights and the holiness of the founder.

(Extracted from August 2004 Columbia)

Jim Miles, Faithful Captain

Color Corps Commander's Call

The Officers of the Assembly have requested the Honor Guard to perform the flag presentation at the 4th Degree Exemplification in October. As Commander, I am asking each member to plan to be available not only for the flag presentation, but members in regalia will be needed as part of the degree. We will need every member currently on the roster at the Degree. Please be ready when called. If you are interested in joining, please call Bob Dahl 253-838-9873 or e-mail brdahl@aol.com.

The Comptroller's Record

Sir Knights, have you paid your dues for 2004? Sometimes in our hurried lives the smallest details are often overlooked. Please take a moment and ask yourself did I? If not, before 2005 rolls around send your \$20.00 to:

SK Timothy H. Philomeno, FC
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Federal Way, WA 98093

Exemplification Schedule

As you all are aware, we are hosting a 4th degree Exemplification on October 23rd, 2004 at St Vincent de Paul in Federal Way. Everyone is invited to attend to support these new Sir Knights...and of course your wives are invited too. There will be an activity for the Ladies Even if you are in the honor guard...IF YOU AND YOUR WIFE ARE STAYING FOR DINNER I NEED TO KNOW!!

Lunch is \$5.00 and Dinner is \$15.00.....we have a choice of Roast Beef or Chick Cordon Bleu for dinner.

Please call me ASAP! @253.661.2296 or email me at tphilomeno@sparling.com with your meal selections

The schedule is:

Schedule for Candidates:

11:30 AM to 12:45 PM	Registration and Lunch.
1:00 PM	Start of Exemplification (Marshall will prepare line up at 11:40 AM)
3:30 PM	Knighting/Picture session
5:00 PM	Mass at St. Vincent DePaul Church
6:30 PM to 7:00 PM	Social time at Parish Hall
7:00 PM	Dinner, Introductions, Guest Speaker, Class Honoree, Class Representative, State Deputy
9:00 PM	Closing Prayer

Schedule for Wives and Guests

11:30 AM to 12:45 PM	Lunch with candidates
1:00 to 3:00 PM	The St. Vincent DePaul Parish Hall: Doll show and appraisal of Dolls, light refreshment, and tranquility.
3:30 PM	Participate in Knighting Ceremony/Pictures
5:00 PM	Mass (Schedule continues as shown for Candidates)

We will need a lot of support to make the 4th degree exemplification an event we can be proud of. Therefore if you can help please call Joe Penwell at 253-941-6339 or email me at joepenwell@comcast.net and let me know what you would like to do. We will need support in the following areas:

The Honor Guard
Kitchen
Clean-up after the dinner
Setup before the exemplification

Please let Joe know what you are willing to do so we can have a successful exemplification.

Meeting Agenda Items

We will have a regular business meeting on October 27th, 7:30 PM, please see the calendar for POC, place, and address.

Agenda items for our October meeting:

- ☒ Assembly Budget
- ☒ Assembly Committees
- ☒ Post 4th Degree Exemplification Report

So why not come out and join us?

Happy Birthday!

Date	October Birthdays	Date	October Birthdays
4 th	Raymond Signani	17 th	Herman Nirschl
6 th	Jerome Koch	20 th	Ronald Scholz
9 th	Malcolm Efta	24 th	Mike Rutland
13 th	Timothy Coggins	26 th	Mark Ohlstrom
16 th	Arthur Fregoso	31 st	Rodolphe De Martelaere
16 th	Tim Philomeno		

Happy Anniversary!

Date	Anniversaries

**Please
Send your Anniversary dates
to the Faithful Comptroller**

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			
Deceased Brother Sir Knights		Deceased Family Members	

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(The officer directory is for Official Assembly business and not intended for public release.)

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Washington State Council's web site: <http://www.kofc-wa.org>

2004 - 2005 Meeting Calendar		
October		
13 th Wednesday, 7:00 PM	Officers Meeting POC: Jim Sheffield - 253-854-1546	Holy Spirit Parish, 310 S 3 rd Street, Kent
27 th Wednesday, 7:30 PM	Assembly Meeting POC: Bob Dahl - 253-838-9873	St. Theresa Parish 3939 SW 331 st ST, Federal Way
November		
10 th Wednesday, 7:00 PM	Officers Meeting POC: Jim Sheffield - 253-854-1546	Holy Spirit Parish, 310 S 3 rd Street, Kent
20 th Saturday, 10 – 12 Noon	Assembly Brunch POC: Bob Dahl - 253-838-9873	Twin Lakes Golf Club 3583 SW 320 th , Federal Way
December		
29 th Wednesday 7:30 PM	Assembly Meeting POC: John Mergens - 253 854-2828	Kent Museum 855 East Smith Street, Kent
January		
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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