



The Patriot's Sword

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The Navigator's Log



Well here we are the summer is over and the holidays are just around the corner. Its time to get that last minute yard work or addition to the house before the bad weather sets in.

Speaking about doing thing that we have put off, at our assembly meeting on August 25, 2004 the installation of Flag Pole at Palisades Retreat House was approved by the assembly. We are working on having this accomplished either before the bad weather sets in or in the spring. We are going to need everyone's help getting this long awaited project completed.

Brother Sir Knight Joe Penwell, is our chairman for the Exemplification of the Forth Degree, to be held on Oct. 25, 2004 at ST. Vincent de Paul. Joe has done a good job in working out the details. But in order to make this a memorable occasion we need all your support, please help if you can. Joe's phone number is (253) 941-6339.

As I hope you know our assembly meetings are held the 4th Wednesday of each month, at different locations as published in our news letter. Sure would like to see more members attend. At our August meeting I didn't do such a good job at keeping it to an hour, will try to do better. However in my defense, we did have a full agenda and there was a lot of good debating among our brother knights. Here comes the hard part. I'm going to task that gray matter. Are you ready? Ask yourself this, "Why did I become a forth degree member?" Was it just to have another card in the wallet? Were you impressed with the fancy regalia and you just had to have some of your own? Or did were you want to rise to the highest principle of knighthood. Ok you got me it was really a rhetorical question. What ever your reason you are a Sir Knight and we would love to see you. Please come and help me out.

Vivat Jesus

Jim Sheffield, Faithful Navigator

The Captain's Mast



Pope John Paul II warned Catholics, and pastors of the Church in particular, that failure to proclaim the truth about marriage and the family is a "grave omission".

Among the Church's priorities is "the promotion and defense of the institution of the family, today so attacked from different fronts with many and subtle arguments." The pope made his remarks in a meeting with a group of Colombian bishops.

Regarding marriage, the pope told them that today "we witness a current, very widespread in some parts, which tends to weaken its true nature."

It is necessary to continue to proclaim with firmness, as a real service to society, the truth on marriage and the family established by God," he said.

"To fail to do so would be grave pastoral omission that would lead believers to error, as well as those who have the grave responsibility to make decisions on the common good of the nation," John Paul II continued.

"This truth is valid not only for the Catholics, but for all men and women without distinction, as marriage and family constitute an irreplaceable good of society, which cannot remain indifferent in face of its degradation or loss of identity," the pope said.

(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
PO Box 24763
Federal Way, WA 98093

Exemplification News

Bishop Gill assembly is hosting a 4th degree exemplification on Saturday October 23rd at St. Vincent DePaul Parish. This is a huge undertaking. We will need a lot of support to make this 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
Just help

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

National News

Three years ago, our country was ruthlessly attacked, and more than 3,000 innocent people lost their lives. We will always remember the victims: sons and daughters, husbands and wives, dads and moms, family members, co-workers, and friends. And we will always be inspired by the heroism and decency of our fellow citizens on that day. Police, firefighters, emergency rescue personnel, doctors, nurses, and many others risked their own lives to save the lives of their fellow citizens. They demonstrated the great character and bravery of our Nation, and they embody the great spirit of America.

Since September 11th, America has fought a relentless war on terror around the world. We are staying on the offensive in this war -- striking the terrorists abroad so we do not have to face them here at home. We pray that God watch over our brave men and women in uniform and all who are waging this war and working to keep America safe. And we pray for their families. In the face of danger,

America is showing its character. Three years after the attack on our country, Americans remain strong and resolute, patient in a just cause, and confident of the victory to come.

By a joint resolution approved December 18, 2001 (Public Law 107-89), the Congress has designated September 11 of each year as "Patriot Day."

Meeting Agenda Items

We have so much to do and so little time in which to do it. With our busy lives we sometimes forget or overlook our plans. In an attempt to keep us on track we will post our meeting agenda here. We will also use this space to keep you abreast of any meeting changes.

We will have a regular business meeting on September 22nd, 7:30 PM, please see the calendar for POC, place, and address.

Agenda items for our September meeting:

- ☒ 4th Degree Exemplification in October
- ☒ Assembly Committees
- ☒ Phone Captains and Phone Tree
- ☒ Assembly Budget

So why not come out and join us?

Supreme News

Effective 1 September 2004, the new Supreme Master will be Joseph Schultz. Supreme Master Joseph is a former PSD, Supreme Director and Vice Supreme Master from California. We wish him the best and we thank Former Supreme Master Nester Barber for his outstanding service to the Order and to the Supreme Council.

On the local front, Washington has a new District Master. In one of his last official acts as Supreme Master Nester Barber selected Sir Knight Storm Smole to succeed Sir Knight Rob Roberts as Master of the 4th Degree for the District of Washington. Storm has served Washington as the State Marshall for the past two years. We welcome District Master Storm Smole and his lovely Lady Caroleen and wish them well.

With the selection of the new Master, we must not forget to thank Past District Master Rob Roberts for the truly outstanding job he has provided Washington over the past two years. A special thanks and appreciation goes to his lovely Lady Mira for sharing Rob with us. There were many times sitting home alone while Rob was about the state taking care of business. Thank you Mira for the gift of your husband we are forever grateful. Our prayers are with you both.

Happy Birthday!

Date	Birthdays for Sep	Date	Birthdays for Sep
6 th	Johnny Pabon	16 th	Anthony Ladner
8 th	William Stearns	17 th	Michael Adams
11 th	Thomas O'Connell	20 th	Leonard Koke
13 th	Mark Miloscia	22 nd	Peter Fleck
15 th	Raymond Garcia	29 th	Jose Bolanos
16 th	Michael Mansanarez	30 th	Joseph Clemens

Happy Anniversary!

Date	Anniversaries for September

**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	
Larry Weigel			
Deceased Brother Sir Knights		Deceased Family Members	
		Joe Weigel	

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

2004 Meeting Calendar		
September		
22 nd 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
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


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