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Faithful Navigator's Column

I would like to start out by thanking those Sir Knights who helped over the last year to set up tables, cook, serve food, and cleanup. Without your help, the work of the Captain would be "Mission Impossible." Please continue your support by helping Jason Sieler, our new Captain. Thanks also to Skip Coffman for doing a great job of leading our assembly over the last year and to Mike Diewald for agreeing to continue to serve as our Commander for the new fraternal year.

Finally, humble thanks to all of you for putting your trust in me and electing me your Navigator for this fraternal year. I am confident that we will all work together in furthering the ideals of the 4th Degree.

What are the ideals of the 4th Degree you might ask? Recently, I was chatting with a 4th degree member, and in discussing the assembly's function, we both realized that we had some knowledge gaps. So, I thought it might be a good idea to review exactly who we are. My research found:

The first exemplification of the Fourth Degree was held in New York City on February 22, 1900. The principle of patriotism was added to the three original principles of the Order, charity, unity and fraternity. The focus of the 4th Degree is on an abiding love for and devotion to one's country. The primary purpose of the 4th Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship and a love of and loyalty to the Knights' respective countries through active membership in local 4th Degree groups called assemblies.

Starting at the Supreme level there is the Supreme Master and the Supreme Board of Directors. The next level of our structure is divided into provinces; currently there are twenty. Each province is lead by a Vice-Supreme Master. The province is then broken up into districts each of which contains a number of local assemblies lead by a Navigator. A Master is in charge of a District and usually has a District Marshal to assist him. Our assembly is in the Calvert Province, Virginia District. (A pop quiz: What members of our assembly are currently officers in our District? Answer is at the bottom of my article.)

Members of the Fourth Degree have the privilege to serve as Color Guards and Honor Guards at civic and religious functions, an activity which has brought worldwide recognition to the Knights of Columbus.

The Master wears a gold cape and chapeau while his District Marshal wears a green cape and chapeau. The Navigator of an Assembly wears a white cape and chapeau while his Color Corps Commander wears a purple cape and chapeau. Finally, all other members of the Color Corps wear a red cape and white chapeau.

As members of the Color Corps, we are the "visible" part of the Order. When the public sees us in parades, they see this visible arm of the Knights of Columbus. When we attend wakes and/or funerals of our deceased brothers, all see the visible Knights of Columbus. In the many parishes in which we serve, during participation in religious ceremonies, our fellow Catholics see the Knights of Columbus.

As a 4th degree member, you have the opportunity to live this ideal. So please make it a point to participate in at least one activity this year. If you don't have regalia, our Commander Mike Diewald has a few loaner ones that you can use.

In closing, I look forward to participating at events with you this year and hope to see you at one or more of our monthly meetings. Make a special effort to join us at our August meeting where we will install new officers and honor Skip Coffman as our immediate PFN. This will be a formal affair (tuxedo and social baldric), and spouses and guests are invited.

Fraternally in Christ,

Joe

(Answer to pop quiz: The Virginia District Master is our founding Navigator, Richie Head, PSD; Tom Trudeau, PFN, is a District Marshall; and our Commander, Mike Diewald, PFN, is a District Administrative Assistant. Our assembly is obviously a seed of leadership for the 4th Degree!)

Commander's Words

Thanks to all who participated in Color Corps' events this past fraternal year. Our first event of the fraternal year is the annual Father Robert E. Nudd memorial Mass and graveside service.

Mass is at St. Timothy on 12 August at 12:30 – graveside service follows. Muster in the vestibule at noon.

Vivat Jesus!!!
Michael J. Diewald, PFN



Captain's Log

For our July meeting Trustee Mike Diewald, PFN is doing an outstanding effort in the kitchen. In Captain Jason Seiler's absence, he will be preparing salad and ordering pizza for those in attendance.

Contact info: phone: 703 709-9318 or e-mail: Michael@thediewalds.net. If you would like me to add or remove you from the regular list, let me know that as well.

Sir Knights on the Regular Dinner List:

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| B. Beall | J. Beers |
| J. Beres | J. Bradley |
| R. Coffman | K. Craddock |
| M. Diewald | A. Grimmig |
| P. Hannan | C. Hebert |
| M. Paulucci | J. Seiler |
| M. Shiel | T. Trudeau |

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For the Captain,

MJD

Our Navigators:	
1996-1996	Richard G. Head, Sr, PSD, CFN
1996-1997	Richard G. Head, Sr, PSD, CFN
1997-1998	Ronald J. Savage, PFN
1998-1999	Anthony J. Ascone, PFN
1999-2000	Michael J. Diewald, PFN
2000-2001	James L. Adams, PFN
2001-2002	Thomas A. Trudeau, PFN
2002-2003	Paul T. Hannan, PFN
2003-2004	Alvin E. Grimmig, Jr., PFN
2004-2005	Paul St. Laurent, PFN
2005-2006	Michael Sheil, PFN
2006-2007	Richard (Skip) Coffman, PFN
2007	Joseph Beres

Third Degree Liaisons

The Assembly maintains communication with its assigned Councils via liaisons appointed by the Faithful Navigator. Our liaisons are as follows:

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| Fr. Robert E. Nudd | Jim Frazer, PGK |
| Fr. Julius J. Cilinski | Al Grimmig, PGK |
| St. Chung Hasang | Bok Hwang, GK |
| St. Veronica | Mike Diewald, PGK |
| St. Clare of Assisi | Jason Seiler, PGK |

Our Officers for the Fraternal Year ending 30 June 2008

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Trustee	Willie Putnam	Louise	willieputnam@gmail.com	(703) 818-8272
Trustee	Michael J. Diewald, PFN	Peggy	Michael@thediewalds.net	(703) 709-9318
Commander	Michael J. Diewald, PFN	Peggy	Michael@thediewalds.net	(703) 709-9318

**Acts of the Apostles Assembly 2411
2007-2008 Fraternal Year Budget (Proposed)**

		Income	Expense
Dues	170@20	\$3,400.00	
Bank Interest		\$250.00	
Raffles	All Saints 250@5	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
	Raffle Rebate	\$1,500.00	
	Fifty-fifty	\$240.00	
Donations		\$100.00	
Meals	10x25@8	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Special Events	Installation	\$500.00	\$500.00
	PFN Dinner	\$750.00	\$750.00
	Christmas Party	\$250.00	\$250.00
	Renewal of Vows	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Picnic	\$300.00	\$300.00
	Pass the Gavel	\$400.00	\$400.00
	Parade-Color Corps		\$75.00
	Other Color Corps		\$75.00
Recruitment	Open House		\$75.00
Exemplification	New Members	10x105 \$1,050.00	\$1,050.00
	Sir Knights	10x80 \$800.00	\$800.00
	Friar -fee/room		\$200.00
	Clergy Fee	2x45	\$90.00
	Hospitality Room		\$700.00
	Hospitality Supplies		\$300.00
Events	Theater Outing	\$500.00	\$500.00
Assembly Administrative Expenses			
	Postage		\$500.00
	Newsletter printing		\$900.00
	Special		
	Awards/Programs		\$150.00
	Awards		\$250.00
	Fraternal memorial		\$150.00
	Chalice Fund		\$100.00
	Donations		\$300.00
	Relief Fund		\$100.00
	FN Contingency Fund		\$200.00
	Regalia - FN		\$250.00
	Regalia Clean and Repair		\$200.00
Comptroller Expenses			
	Supplies		\$125.00
	Salary		\$170.00
	Postage		\$90.00
Other Expenses	PO Box		\$20.00
	Essay Contest Awards		\$200.00
	Meeting Equipment		\$100.00
	Cooking Supplies		\$100.00
	Purser Salary	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
		<u>\$22,040.00</u>	<u>\$21,995.00</u>
		\$22,040.00	-\$21,995.00
		Difference	\$45.00