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Faithful Navigator's Column

The fall has already been a busy one, and I thank all the Sir Knights who participated in activities thus far.

Our assembly provided an honor guard September 8 at St. Timothy Church for the arrival of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. It was a beautiful ceremony with mass and procession around the church during recitation of the rosary. See the *Arlington Catholic Herald* page 13, September 27 edition for a write-up. Thanks to Joe Beres, Kevin Craddock, Mike Diewald, Bill Gaughan, and Mike Lynch for supporting this event. For the September 22 dedication of the Mary Korean Bas-Relief at the Basilica in DC, a phenomenal 23 sir knights participated. And at the October 8 Columbus Day ceremony, nine of our sir knights were present: Joe Beres, Pom Chang, Joseph Choi, Skip Coffman, Mike Diewald, Bill Gaughan, Paul Hannan, Bok So Huang, and Tom Trudeau. See the activity box for upcoming events. I especially encourage you to support the Diocesan Pilgrimage on Saturday October 13,

As you know, we celebrate Christopher Columbus Day every year with a ceremony at the Columbus Monument in Washington DC. But how many of you know the Knights were responsible for this monument?

In the years following the great quadricentennial celebration in 1892 an effort was launched by the Knights of Columbus to establish a monument to Columbus in Washington, D.C. A commission was established composed of the secretaries of State and War, the chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on the Library of Congress, and

the Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus. With the newly completed Union Railroad Station in 1907, plans focused toward locating the memorial on the plaza in front of this great edifice. After a series of competitions, sculptor Lorado Z. Taft of Chicago was awarded the contract.

The dedication of the majestic tribute to Columbus occurred on June 8, 1912 with many thousands attending. It was the prelude to the annual Columbus Day celebrations since at this the focal point. It is the site of international wreath-laying ceremony with Embassies of Italy and Spain, Italian American organizations and general public on Columbus Day annually.



The monument is constructed of Georgia marble, consisting of a semi-circular fountain 66 feet broad and 44 feet deep and in the center, a pylon crowned with a globe supported by four eagles connected by garland. A 15-foot statue of Columbus, facing the U.S. Capitol and wrapped in a medieval mantle, stands in front of the pylon in the bow of a ship with its prow extending into the upper basin of the fountain terminating with a winged figurehead representing democracy. Flanking Columbus are two seated, allegorical figures: to his left representing the Old World is a patriarchal

figure resting his arms upon a shield and grasping a crumpled map while to his right,



“TO THE MEMORY OF CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS WHOSE HIGH FAITH AND INDOMITABLE COURAGE GAVE TO MANKIND A NEW WORLD - BORN MCDXXXVI - DIED MDIV.”

Couchant lions are set at the extremes of the axis of the balustrade. Three towering flagpoles stand behind the monument representing the three ships of 1492. Classic-columned lampposts in front of Union Station feature replicas of ships on their cross-axis near the base mounts.



representing the New World, is a pre-Columbian figure (American Indian) crouching behind his crude shield reaching for an arrow. On the rear of the large pylon is a double medallion picturing the Spanish monarchs King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella, and the inscription:



Commander'Swords

See the Activity Box elsewhere in this newsletter for upcoming events. We have loaner regalia for anyone interested in trying out for Color Corps.

Vivat Jesus!!!
Michael J. Diewald, PFN

CAPTAIN'S LOG

Ahhh...autumn. A time for leaves of red and gold falling gently to the cooling earth below. A time of children, dressed as every manner of creature, going door to door to ask for treats. And yes...it is a time of Oktoberfest! Sausages, sauerkraut, and spicy mustard! That should give you a clue as to what to expect for dinner the night of the October 23 meeting. If you are not on the Regular Dinner list below, please RSVP to me no later than 21 OCT 2007 (Sunday). This will give the Fr. Nudd Council enough time to prepare the proper amount of food.

Please remember that each Council will sponsor a dinner for the Assembly between now and our June meeting. Fr. Nudd Council adeptly fed us at the September meeting, and we cannot thank them enough. Who will be the next Council to step up to the (dinner) plate? The calendar is below. Don't miss out! Reserve your slot soon, by contacting Jason Seiler at jseiler@seicorp.com or 703-304-6393. 30-days notice is greatly appreciated.

Please consider when you would like to sponsor a dinner.

September	Fr. Nudd Council
October	Faithful Captain
November	~~open~~
December	Christmas Celebration
January	~~open~~
February	~~open~~
March	~~open~~
April	~~open~~
May	~~open~~
June	~~open~~

Sir Knights on the Regular Dinner List:

J. Beers	J. Beres
J. Bradley	J. Choi
R. Coffman	K. Craddock
M. Diewald	J. Frazer
A. Grimmig	P. Hannan
C. Hebert	M. Lynch
W. Ossenfort	M. Paulucci
W. Putnam	J. Seiler
T. Trudeau	T. Wiedemer

We are currently reviewing the Regular Dinner list. Please let me know if you would like to be added or subtracted from the list.

Vivat Jesus!

Jason Seiler, Faithful Captain

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:

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

ACTIVITY BOX		
What	When	Where
4 th Degree Exemplanation	Saturday October 20, Noon	Holiday Inn Select, Koger Conference Center, Richmond, VA
Color Corp Practice	Tuesday October 23 at 6:30 PM, before our regular meeting.	St. Timothy's Cafeteria

Note: Loaner color corps regalia are available for those who do not have their own. If you want to participate in an activity and don't have regalia, contact Commander Mike Diewald at Michael@thediewalds.net or 703-709-9318.

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