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Faithful Navigator's Report

As we approach Easter, I pray that you and your families have a happy and holy one, and that the penance you performed during Lent makes a marked impact in your lives.

February and March presented (and continue to present) opportunities for us to participate in color corps activities and to support our parishes and communities. Thanks to all who participated in the Alexandria Washington's Birthday and St. Patrick's Parades and the forty hours devotion at St. Clare of Assisi church. I was proud of the fact that we were able to cover most of the slots for the forty hours devotion. The pastor of St. Clare's, Father Lehning, was particularly appreciative of our support.

Upcoming are the St. Patrick's Day parade in Manassas, holy week activities in our parishes, Devine Mercy holy hour at St. Timothy's church, and a few confirmations.

Please make a special note that on the Tuesday following Easter, during our March meeting, we will have our renewal of vows ceremony, lead by our Master Richie Head. For this special evening, please wear your tuxedo and social baldric. The meeting is open only to Sir Knights.

We are in the process of planning to perform our first Memorial Ceremony for deceased members. It will take place Saturday April 26 after the regular 5:30 PM Mass. Let's plan on a corporate communion at the 5:30 Mass, followed by the ceremony (about 20 minutes), followed by a reception. Please wear your tuxedos and social baldrics. This ceremony will honor Sir Knights Dr. Frank Murphy and Aldo Saccomanno.

A number of you have asked me about the Papal Mass on April 17 at Washington Nationals Stadium and the status of our participation. Decisions have been made and details are included in this newsletter.

I wish all of you and your families a Blessed Easter.

Faternally in Christ,

Joe Beres, FN

Support of Our Wounded Soldiers Project

A number of troops are recovering here in the Washington area from injuries and associated medical problems as a result of their service in U.S. military operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and other locations around the globe. The Family Assistance Center at Walter Reed Army Hospital has requested outside assistance in collecting music CD's and "recent" movie DVDs to help uplift and entertain these brave young men and women and their families while they are recuperating. To help, our Assembly is sponsoring and coordinating a collection of new and/or used music CD's and recent movie DVDs for the troops receiving medical attention in the Washington, DC area.

I ask all Council liaisons to the Assembly to discuss this initiative with their respective Councils and Parish priests and obtain permission to make these collections at each of our parish churches. The concept is to publicize this CD/DVD collection for the troops' initiative in each of the council newsletters and parish bulletins. Then to place marked collection boxes (which we can provide) somewhere near church entrances or other appropriate locations so that parishioners

can conveniently drop-off their CD/DVD donations. Council liaisons are asked to bring the contents of these collection boxes to our regular Assembly meetings the fourth Tuesday of every month. These individual parish collections will then be consolidated into a single shipment which will be delivered directly to the Walter Reed Army Hospital.

As soon as you have gained permission to begin this worthwhile charitable effort at your parish, please contact one of our Assembly Veteran Affairs co-chairs: Bryan Skokan bskokan1@cox.net 703-818-9455 or Willie Putnam willieputnam@gmail.com 703-818-8272. They will provide you with a CD/DVD collection box if you need one.

The following is a possible paragraph that you could use to describe this charitable effort in your church bulletin:

"The Family Assistance Center at the Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington is accepting donations of music CD's and "recent" movie DVD's for the enjoyment of recovering troops and their families. Please consider donating recent, used CDs and/or DVDs or purchase new ones to donate, if you would like to do so. A collection box will be placed (*describe the location*) where you conveniently can drop off your CD/DVD donations on your way to or from church. Our parish Knights of Columbus will periodically collect these donations for delivery to Walter Reed Hospital."

Motion to Expend Assembly Funds

Sir Knight Mike Diewald proposed that the assembly expend up to \$20,000, payable to All Saints Church, to participate in the yearly automobile raffle. Our budget included an expenditure of \$10,000, but we doubled the number of raffle tickets for this year. The motion was made, seconded, and tabled for vote at the next meeting.

Delegates to Biennial Meeting

At our last meeting, the following sir knights were elected to represent the Assembly at the biennial meeting in Richmond on Saturday April 5th:

- Navigator Joe Beres/alternate Mike Lynch
- 1st representative Jason Seiler/alternate Mike Diewald
- 2nd representative Tom Trudeau/alternate Jim Frazier

Papal Visit Support

I know that many of us had high hopes of participating in the Pope's Mass. Unfortunately, Virginia's allotment for Color Corps support is a mere 16 Sir Knights, including the Master, his District Marshals, and four dignitaries. Unless something changes, that currently leaves only 9 slots for Assembly members, 10 if the State Deputy gets a ticket from somewhere else.

There are 400 members on the volunteer list representing 31 of our 33 Assemblies. With a current need for only 9 Sir Knights, our Master is awarding tickets based on a lottery. Assembly numbers were randomly drawn from a hat and a spot was awarded to the first nine Assemblies. We were the ninth Assembly drawn, and thus we got one slot.

In consultation with our Commander, I reviewed the service hours donated by all of our Assembly's members, and chose the Sir Knight with the most service hours to represent us. The lucky member is SK Kevin Craddock. I spoke to Kevin, and he graciously accepted. Congratulate Kevin the next time you see him

Officers for the Next Columbian Year

Election of officers for the next Columbian Year will occur at the May 27 meeting. If you are interested in donating some of you time to participate as an officer in the Assembly, please contact one of our Assembly's trustees.

Assembly Social in the Planning Stages

Below is detail on a proposed Assembly social. Last year we sponsored a similar outing and it turned out very well. We can again see the play and join together for dinner somewhere afterwards as we did then.

I am proposing a Sunday April 27 matinee to see 1776 at the Olney Theater. Tickets will be approximately \$38 per person (additional discounts may be available).

Please let me know as soon as possible if you are interested, so seats can be reserved.

Send e-mails to me at beresjg@yahoo.com.

1776

New

Mainstage

Sunday, April
27, 2008,
2:00 PM

Book By:

Peter Stone

Music and
Lyrics By:

**Sherman
Edwards**

Originally

Directed on Broadway By: **Peter H. Hunt**

Directed and Choreographed By: **Stephen
Nachamie**

Musical Direction By: **Christopher Youstra**



Finally, a history lesson you won't sleep through! 1776 is a light-hearted look at Adams, Franklin, and Jefferson as they grapple with the Continental Congress and independence from Britain. Inspired by the words of our founding fathers, this critically acclaimed musical is filled with lively songs, witty dialogue, and true American spirit. *Tony Award for Best Musical.*

Olney Theatre Center for the Arts is located on Maryland Route 108 (Olney-Sandy Spring Road) in Olney, Maryland, one and one-half miles east of Georgia Avenue (Route 97) and two miles west of New Hampshire Avenue (Route 650). Parking is free.

Group discounts start at 15 people or more. A non-refundable deposit of 50% is required at the time of reservation. The balance is due no later than two weeks prior to the performance or the seats will be released for public sale.

From Your Faithful Comptroller

Dear Brother Knights,

It's now time for payment of 2008 dues. Please send a check payable to the "Knights of Columbus" to:

Thomas Wiedemer, Faithful
Comptroller
14643 Soucy Place
Centreville, VA 20120-1555

Thank you and Vivat Jesus,
Thomas R. Wiedemer
703-818-2761

Captain's Log

My Brother Knights,

"Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

We hear these words every year during the Easter season, but what does "hosanna" mean? In Hebrew, the word "Hoshana" (הושענא) means "please save" or "save now," or "help, I pray." In Aramaic, the same word is known as "Hosanna." By giving Jesus the title of Hosanna, the people were calling Him their Savior and asking for His assistance. Let us do the same, my Brothers.

This month's meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 25. Please RSVP to the Faithful Captain no later than 20 March 2008 (Thursday) if you will attend the pre-meeting dinner.

I know this is an early RSVP, but I do not expect to check e-mails over Easter. Happy Easter, all!

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

Please let me know if you would like to be added or subtracted from the regular dinner list. jseiler@seicorp.com or 703-304-6393.

Vivat Jesus!
Jason Seiler, Faithful Captain

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

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

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

ACTIVITY BOX

What	When	Where
St. Patrick's Day parade (Color Corps)	Saturday, March 15. Assemble near the intersection of Sudley Rd. and Quarry Rd. on the Seton School side of Sudley (new location for us) and step off at approximately 11:00 AM.	Gather at Bishop Russell Hall (George Brent Council Home) at 08:45 for breakfast and depart the hall around 09:30 for the parade. After the parade, return to the Club Room at the hall for refreshments.
Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper (Color Corps support)	Thursday March 20. Muster 7:00 PM	St. Veronica Church, Chantilly
Assembly meeting and renewal of vows (TUXEDO & SOCIAL BALDRIC)	Tuesday March 25, 6:30 PM.	St. Timothy School Cafeteria, Chantilly
Confirmations (Color Corps)	Saturday March 29, 10:00 AM & 1:30 PM. Muster ½ hour beforehand.	St. Timothy Church, Chantilly
Divine Mercy Sunday holy hour (Color Corps)	Sunday, March 30, 3:00 - 4:00PM. Muster at 2:30PM	St. Timothy Church, Chantilly
Confirmations (Color Corps)	Saturday April 5, 9:30 AM & 1:30 PM. Muster ½ hour beforehand.	St. Joseph Church, Herndon
District Biennial Meeting	Saturday, April 5, 9:00 AM to Noon	Cafeteria of St. Edward's School in Richmond
Papal Mass, Pope Benedict XVI	Thursday April 17	Washington Nationals' Stadium
Confirmations (Color Corps)	Sunday April 20, 2:30 & 7:30 PM. Muster ½ hour beforehand.	St. Andrew the Apostle Church, Clifton
Confirmation (Color Corps)	Wednesday April 23, 7:30 PM. Muster ½ hour beforehand.	St. Veronica Church, Chantilly
Memorial service/corporate communion (Color Corps/Tux & Social Baldric)	Saturday April 26, 5:30 PM Mass	St. Timothy's Church (Mass, ceremony, reception in Fr. McGivney Room)
Assembly Social event, the musical 1776	Sunday April 27, 2:00 PM matinee with optional dinner afterwards	Olney Theatre Center for the Arts, Olney MD
Spring Exemplification	Saturday, May 17, Noon	St. Timothy School Cafeteria, Chantilly
<p><i>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.</i></p>		