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Faithful Navigator's Report

As we continue into a very busy time of our fraternal year, I would like to thank all Sir Knights who participated in our color corps for church services during this Easter season.

This included Holy Thursday Masses at St. Andrew's and St. Veronica's parishes, Divine Mercy Holy Hour at St. Timothy Church, and confirmations at St. Timothy's and St. Joseph's. It was particularly gratifying to hear remarks from parishioners on how our presence and participation truly added to the solemnity of the services.

At our last meeting, our District Master Richie Head and District Marshall Tom Trudeau conducted a renewal of vows ceremony, with participation by our color corps led by Commander Mike Diewald. It was a beautiful ceremony that caused us to stop and reflect on the four degrees of our order and the special obligations we have as Sir Knights to our church and community. Thanks to Jason Seiler for preparing a tasty ham dinner and to all Assembly members who were present to make this a memorable evening.

In an important upcoming event, our newly formed Memorial Team will conduct the Assembly's first memorial service for deceased member Sir Knights. The service will be conducted after the regular 5:30 PM Mass on Saturday April 26 at St. Timothy's church. Sir Knights honored will be Dr. Frank Murphy, Aldo Saccamano, and John Weldon. Please wear your tux and social baldric to the Mass and participate in a Corporate Communion. We will also need our color corps to participate along with the Memorial Team. There will be a reception after the memorial ceremony in the Fr. McGivney room. Practice for this special

ceremony will be after our next meeting on April 22.

As we enter into the last quarter of this Columbian year, it is time to start planning for our Assembly's upcoming year. The first step in this process is to have sir knights like you volunteer to serve as an officer in the Assembly. Our trustees are in the process of putting together a slate of nominees for our elections which will take place during our May meeting. Please consider serving in one of the officer positions; if you are interested, contact one of our trustees listed at the end of this newsletter.

In closing I would like to ask that you continue to pray for our Commander Mike Diewald who recently had a heart attack and surgery. Mike is one of the Sir Knights who have been the backbone of our Assembly for many years. Mike has been our commander for quite some time and also edits and distributes our newsletter. I find his service to be invaluable.

Be sure to check the Activity Box for other upcoming events.

Fraternally in Christ,

Joe Beres
Faithful Navigator

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 & 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.

We are asking 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. Our 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."

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.

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.

On a personal note, thanks to all of you for your cards and prayers during my recent hospitalization and recovery. It is good to be part of a Catholic brotherhood as great as the Knights of Columbus!

Vivat Jesus!!!
Michael J. Diewald, PFN

Our Navigators:	
1996-1996	Richard G. Head, Sr, PSD, CFN
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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
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ACTIVITY BOX		
What	When	Where
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
Assembly meeting and practice for memorial service	Tuesday, April 22, 6:30 PM	St. Timothy School Cafeteria, Chantilly
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: 1776, a musical	April 27, 2:00 PM matinee with optional dinner afterwards	Olney Theater Center for the Arts, Olney, MD
Spring 4 th degree 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>		