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NEXT MEETING, WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 19TH

NAVIGATORS REPORT

Worthy Sir Knights,

October is a special month for the Fourth Degree. October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Indeed the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated October 7th. This prayer, special to us as Knights from the first degree was originally associated with temporal victories (over the Albigensians and over the Turks at the Battle of Lepanto). It is today even more important that we may have spiritual victories over the forces arrayed against the Church. As Knights, we must remain dedicated to Our Lady and her Rosary.

October is also the month during which we celebrate Columbus Day. The first recorded celebration of Columbus Day in the United States took place on October 12, 1792 to commemorate the 300th anniversary of Columbus's landing.

The 400th anniversary of the event, however, inspired the first official Columbus Day holiday in the United States. In 1892, President Benjamin Harrison issued a proclamation urging Americans to mark the day. The public responded enthusiastically, organizing school programs, plays, and community festivities across the country. The World's Columbian Exposition, by far the most ambitious event planned for the celebration, opened in Chicago the summer of 1893. Colorado designated Columbus Day a holiday in 1907. New York followed suit in 1909 Since 1971 Columbus Day, designated as the second Monday in has been celebrated as a federal holiday. This year, the national Columbus celebration will be held Monday October 10th at the Columbus Statue in front of Union Station. All Sir Knights are invited to this festive event.

At the end of that week, on Saturday October 15th, Bishop Loverde will lead the Diocese of Arlington pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington. Details are available in the Catholic heralds and on the Diocesan Web site. The pilgrimage culminates with Mass at 1pm. All Sir Knights invited participate. are to

Our October meeting will follow on Wednesday the 19th. At this meeting, we will honor our past faithful navigators who have given so much of their time and energy to the Assembly. Please join us. October also the of St Isaac Jogues and the North American Martyrs. While we may not be called upon to give our lives for the faith as these brave Jesuits did or as the Mexican priests (all Knights) who were martyred in the late and canonized last http://www.kofc.org/un/news/releases/detail.cfm?id=27808#>.

We should pray to them that we would be given the grace to defend the Church without hesitation when we are called to do so.

Vivat Jesu, Tom Connelly



Fourth Degree Exemplification November 12, 2005

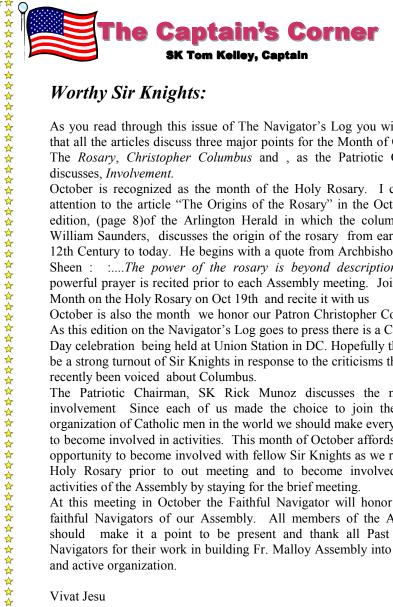
The next exemplification of the **Fourth** Degree will be held at the Richmond Marriot on November 12. For details about this event contact either the **Faithful Navigator or Faithful** Comptroller

NEXT ASSEMBLY MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19TH, 7:30 PM

The next meeting of Fr. Malloy Assembly will be held at Providence Hall, St. Leo the Great Parish on Wednesday, October 19th. The meeting will start with a recitation of the Holy Rosary at 7:30 PM. This will be followed by The Knights Cafe, a social, sit-down repast prepared by Brother Sir Knight Dick Owen. A business meeting will follow The Knights Cafe. All Sir Knights are urged to attend.

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Worthy Sir Knights:

As you read through this issue of The Navigator's Log you will notice that all the articles discuss three major points for the Month of October; The Rosary, Christopher Columbus and , as the Patriotic Chaiman discusses, Involvement.

October is recognized as the month of the Holy Rosary. I call your attention to the article "The Origins of the Rosary" in the October 6th edition, (page 8)of the Arlington Herald in which the columnist, Fr. William Saunders, discusses the origin of the rosary from early in the 12th Century to today. He begins with a quote from Archbishop Fulton Sheen:The power of the rosary is beyond description. This powerful prayer is recited prior to each Assembly meeting. Join us this Month on the Holy Rosary on Oct 19th and recite it with us

October is also the month we honor our Patron Christopher Columbus. As this edition on the Navigator's Log goes to press there is a Columbus Day celebration being held at Union Station in DC. Hopefully there will be a strong turnout of Sir Knights in response to the criticisms that have recently been voiced about Columbus.

The Patriotic Chairman, SK Rick Munoz discusses the need for involvement Since each of us made the choice to join the largest organization of Catholic men in the world we should make every attempt to become involved in activities. This month of October affords you the opportunity to become involved with fellow Sir Knights as we recite the Holy Rosary prior to out meeting and to become involved in the activities of the Assembly by staying for the brief meeting.

At this meeting in October the Faithful Navigator will honor all past faithful Navigators of our Assembly. All members of the Assembly should make it a point to be present and thank all Past Faithful Navigators for their work in building Fr. Malloy Assembly into a strong and active organization.

Vivat Jesu SK Tom Kelley, Faithful Captain



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS (PFN'S in BOLD)

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10/02 Rev. Terry Specht	10/18 Tim Tilson
10/03 John Buczacki	10/19 Don Conway
10/03 Donald A. Trayer	10/23 Jack Devaney
10/08 Peter Barnett	10/23 Art Narro
10/08 Alick Shirley	10/26 Don Lemming
10/08 Steve Delaney	10/26 Ed Moscatelli
10/08 Frank Nigro	10/26 Jonathan Lash
10/09 "Skip" Rogers,	10/27 Tony DiGregorio
PSD	10/27 Pat Lacour
10/11 Bill York	10/27 Rev. Cedric
10/11 Tom Yates	Wilson, OSA
10/12 Mike Portele	10/28 Tony Munera
10/13 Neil O'Brien	10/28 David Wilson
10/15 Mike Purtill	10/28 Rev. Michael
10/15 Erick Soricelli	Weston
10/16 Tony Vaitekunas	10/29 Dan Mahoney
•	10/30 Jim Manning
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IN MEMORIAM

Brother Sir Knights who died in October

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and may their souls rest in peace



10/07/1982 Rev. Francis J. Diamond, SJ 10/15/2000 SK. Rene C. Pastorelli 10/17/2002 SK Gypsy S. Blevins

Wanted!! A Few Good Cooks

We are in need of a few volunteers to prepare a light meal prior to our Assembly meetings for the vear 2005-2006. If you could volunteer to prepare a meal prior to one or two of our meetings please call the Faithful Captain at (703) 385-2819 or e-mail to Fairfaxtom@msn.com. further details please contact the Captain.

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The Commanders Corner

SK George Billy

Welcome to the Commander's Corner.

A big <u>Thank You</u> to all the Sir Knights that participated in the Color Corps events last month. Of special note, the Sir Knights from St. Mary of Sorrows Council for participating in two events and thanks to SK Dick Lee and SK Jerry Hovan for making the arrangements.

As a reminder, requests for the Color Corps at events must be made as early as possible to the Faithful Navigator, cc the Color Corps Commander. For public events, such as parades, etc. the Faithful Navigator must get the permission of the Master so you can see this takes some time and coordination.

Our Assembly communicates to the Color Corps via our list server as well as the web site. Visit the web site (http://www.assembly1894.kofcva.org) and find the link for Mailing List where you can request to be added to the list server.

Where We've Been:

- 40 Hrs Devotion Mass at St. Mary's.
- 50th Anniversary Mass at St. Mary's for Fr. Tom Moran.

Where We're Going: Upcoming events (check the web site for any updates to times):

- Columbus Day ceremonies at Union Station. Events start at 10:45 a.m., plan to arrive about 10:00 a.m.
- Wreath Laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns (FN and CC participate)
- Diocesan Pilgrimage Mass. Events start at 9:30 a.m., plan to arrive at 8:15 a.m.

Color Corps Tip of the Month:

From the *Color Corps Drill Manual* Silent Commands

"Due to the necessity for silence, particularly during drill participation in church, silent "cues" must be issued by the drill commander. The simplest method for these visual commands is for the drill commander to step to a position where he is visible to all of the Sir Knights participating and to give the cue for the order he wishes carried out. For example, raise both hands, palm up, from the sides to order the guard to stand; place the right hand on the grip of the sword to order "Draw," then draw the sword, etc."

If you wish to purchase your own regalia please contact SK Larry Novack for information on how to order. I'm sure you will get a lot of use of it over the years, and your own regalia always fits better and looks sharper!

SK George Billy Color Corps Commander



The Pilots Portal SK Bill Weich, Pilot

Worthy Sir Knights,

Fr. Malloy enters a very busy season with Color Corps events. We begin October with an invitation to participate in the Sterling Parade on November 8. This is followed by the Columbus Day celebration at Union Station and a wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery, both on October 10. Next, Master JP McCusker has been asked by Bishop Paul Leverde to provide Color Corps for the Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on October 15. Our Fall Exemplification will be held in Richmond on November 12. Included in the next few months will be the numerous requests for Color Corps contingents at Confirmation Masses.

. I am especially proud to be having the Color Corps provide a sword ceremony for my wedding and reception on November 5 at St. Patrick's Parish in Rockville. With all of the above events we need a great turnout. Come out and help demonstrate our commitment to patriotism as well as our faith to our communities. I know we cannot spread ourselves too thin with work, our personal lives, and other commitments, but your participation in any event(s) would be great. If you are in need of regalia, our Faithful Commander, George Billy, has extra regalia for use. Just give him a call or send him an email.

The last few meetings I have noticed a low turnout. The summer and fall seasons can be very busy for many of us. However, please try to attend the meetings when you can. They are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. If you know of Sir Knights that you have not seen in sometime, please contact them and invite them to the next meeting. Let them know they have been missed.

As mentioned earlier, we are fast approaching the Fall 4th Degree Exemplification on Nov. 12. If you know of any 3rd Degree Knights ready or interested in the Patriotic arm of the Knights of Columbus, please talk with them and have them fill out a Form 4 - Membership Application for the 4th Degree and forward to your council's Financial Secretary for processing. The application will be read in at the next Assembly meeting on Oct. 19.

In closing, please keep the following Sir Knights, their families, and those close to us in your prayers: Brother and Sister of PFN David Todd, Sr.; PGK Bernie Kowalski (Fr. Diamond Council); and the repose of soul of Mrs. Betty Gross, mother of Fr. Diamond Council member Tom Gross. On a personal note, I am sure many of you have heard about Taylor Behl, the college student from VCU who is missing. Taylor is the niece of one of my close friends. Please pray that she is found safe and returns to her family.

Vivat Jesus!

SK William Weich Faithful Pilot



On Patriotism SK Rick Munoz, PFN

Worthy Sir Knights

Look at our Lord's disciples. One denied Him; one doubted Him; one betrayed Him. If our Lord couldn't have perfection, how are you going to have it in government? last month have served as a sobering reminder of government's limits. We have watched in dismay as two powerful hurricanes have slammed into our Gulf Coast, leaving thousands homeless, stranded, hungry, and thirsty.

Close on the heels of the first storm was a rising tide of criticism against the federal and state response to this emergency. It's not the place of this column to analyze the merits of those critiques; suffice to say that even the most sunny and forgiving analyst would agree that the official response at all levels fell short of what we as a country would like to imagine we're capable of.

But the unique strength that makes us Americans shines through. We ARE the government, and we, the people, have stepped up admirably to help those in need. We have not stepped back and demanded that "the government" solve all the problems. Certainly, and properly, we hold government accountable for performance, but we do not wash our hands of personal responsibility.

Our own Order exemplified that ideal. The Supreme Council pledged a \$2.5 million contribution for relief of the hurricane victims, and local councils' contributions added another \$500,000 to that total. In doing so, we joined other organizations, secular and religious; Christian, Jewish, and Muslim; national and local; large and small. We joined hands to help one another, with dollars, donations, and manpower, because we knew that the good citizen and the patriot steps forward in time of crisis... because WE are government.

This is an excellent reminder of the most basic duty the citizen, the patriot, owes. It's not dollars – although it can be expressed that way at times. It's not food, or volunteer hours – although that can certainly be an outward manifestation of the quality I'm describing.

It's involvement. It's realizing that in this country, when it comes down to the wire, there is no *them* and us. There's only us. And our involvement in matters civic is what distinguishes our citizenship, our patriotism, and our unique strength.

SK Rick Munoz, PFN Patriotic Chairman



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