

THE NAVIGATOR'S LOG

Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly, #1894 October 2016

Faithful Navigator's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

It is hard to believe that three months of this Fraternal Year have already passed by us. And yet, we have just celebrated Columbus Day, are preparing for Thanksgiving, and beginning to realize that Christmas is just around the corner. Time truly does fly!

We had a great turn-out at September's Meeting, and many thanks go to all who invited the 13 potential Candidates who attended. Special thanks to **PFN Dennis Brown**, **SK Carroll Glass**, and the rest of their crew for putting on a fabulous Oktoberfest dinner. Our guests all seemed very pleased, and it appears that we could see most (if not all!) of them joining our ranks in November.

And speaking of the Exemplification, I encourage each of you to continue to recruit for the 4th Degree. With our increase in activities, new members are needed. Details regarding the Exemplification can be found later in this edition of the *Navigator's Log*.

Finally, by the next time the next issue of the *Navigator's Log* is sent, we will have made our way to the polls and elected a new President. Without saying which candidate or party to vote, I will simply remind all Sir Knights of our sacred duty to vote our conscience. Please keep in mind the teachings of the Church on the sanctity of life at all stages, from conception to natural death. Remember Her teachings on the sanctity of marriage between one man and one woman. Do not forget our responsibility to reach out to those in need, most especially the downtrodden and marginalized in our society. And recall the importance of Religious Freedom and the ability freedom of conscience. THESE are the issues on which we must focus. Above all else, pray for our Nation and for our President to be.

VIVAT JESUS!!!

Fraternally, SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN Faithful Navigator Faithful Friar's Report



My Brother Sir Knights,

By the time you read this, Columbus Day will have passed. This is a great day not only for us Knights who bear the name of the explorer who sailed the ocean blue in 1492, but for all who live on the continent he landed upon. For one reason or another, this holiday has become controversial in our culture. Rather than discuss the "controversy", I would like to bring up the larger issue: knowing our story well. Too often historical figures are discredited, maligned, and disgraced by ever changing modern condemnations. It is like trying to say John Wayne is a bad actor because he smoked cigarettes. If we encounter anyone who has swallowed the PC Kool-Aid about Christopher Columbus, the Crusades, Inquisition, etc., we should invite them to have a more critical approach to history. So many of our conversations today seem to be pushed by "narratives." Underneath this anti-Columbus "controversy" is narrative that Christianity is bad; Columbus brought Christianity to the New World, therefore Columbus is bad. We need to know out story well enough to help break people out of their narrative and actually look at history. This also includes knowing his faults and failures and not trying to make excuses for them. Above all, it includes trying to understand him in light of his world and not by condemning him from ours. Another important part of our story shares the sea and the month of October with Columbus: The Battle of Lepanto. The biggest naval engagement in the history of the world was fought off the coast of Italy against the Islamic State of 1571 in order to save Christian Europe. We would do well to learn the lesson from Lepanto and to be well acquainted with our story. As the Catechism places on the mouth of St. Ignatius of Loyola, "Pray as if everything depended on God and work as if everything depended on you" (CCC 2834). May we act as boldly as Columbus and the soldiers of Lepanto and pray as fervently as those who saved Christian civilization through Our Lady's Holy Rosary.

Fraternally, SK Rev. David A. Dufresne Faithful Friar

New Bishop for Arlington!



In the early hours of October 4, the Vatican announced the Holy Father had accepted the retirement of Bishop Paul S. Loverde, and appointed Bishop Michael F. Burbidge of Raleigh as the 4th Bishop of Arlington. Born and raised in the Philadelphia, Bishop Burbidge was ordained to the Priesthood in 1984 by John Cardinal Krol. After serving in a parish and a couple of high schools, Bishop Burbidge was assigned to the College Division of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary as the Dean of Formation in 1991. After a year and a half there, he became Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua's secretary, and was made a Prelate of Honor (Monsignor) in 1998. The following year, he returned to St. Charles Seminary as the Rector, and was made an Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia in 2002. In 2006, he was named the 5th Bishop of Raleigh, NC. He is known to be a man of great insight and devotion, especially to our Lord Presence in the Most Blessed Sacrament, and to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Additionally, he is a man of great humility and compassion, especially to the neediest in our society. We welcome His Excellency to the Diocese of Arlington, and thank the Almighty for the great blessing He has bestowed upon us in this man of God!

Faithful Captain's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Please be sure to join us on Wednesday, October 19, for our Assembly meeting. Immediately following the Rosary at 7:30PM, we will be enjoying the culinary stylings of **SK Paul Cataldo** & **PFN Bill Weich** as they present the 4th Degree Café, themed "Columbus: the Italian Explorer."

Looking ahead, November's meeting will be an open session in which we extend an invitation to our Ladies to join us. The theme for that evening's fare will be "Thanksgiving & Welcome," as we enjoy some pre-Thanksgiving turkey and welcome our newest Sir Knights. Cost for the evening will be \$15 per person. If you intend to attend, please contact me at askmekofc@yahoo.com, or at (703) 475-2190.

Fraternally, SK Matthew T. West Faithful Captain

Faithful Pilot's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Please pray for the following:

- Repose of the soul of Phil Reames, son-in-law of SK Michael Plumstead
- Repose of the soul of Ed Hogan, brother of SK Timothy Hogan, uncle of SK James Hogan, and son of PSD Thomas Hogan.

- Thanksgiving for the Diaconate Ordination of SK
 Deacon Ernesto Gonzalez, III
- Health & healing of Thelma Billy, wife of PFN George Billy
- Health & healing of SK Matthew West
- Job search for Brother Bob Gahl & Brother Mark Burtschi, both of Council 10723 (and for ALL those seeking employment)

If you have any prayer requests, please contact me at cdglass@gmail.com, or at (571) 210-2302.

Fraternally, SK Carroll D. Glass Faithful Pilot

Color Corps Commander's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Thanks to Columbus Day, there have been and still are numerous opportunities to express our Patriotism, Unity, and Fraternity in October. By the time you read this, many of these events will have taken place and I hope you will have participated in at least one or two of them. If you did not, I hope you will consider donning the ol' Service Regalia at an upcoming parish, community, or district event. Our visibility in public is one of the ways we evangelize as Knights of Columbus. If you have never donned Service Regalia then please consider attending the Color Corps and Commander Training taking place on November 12 at St. Leo the Great. Fr. Malloy Assembly is proudly hosting the training and a good showing by our members will show our brothers from other assemblies and districts that we stand with them and for the Pillars of our Order: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism!

Vivat Jesus! SK Roberto Bacalski Color Corps Commander

Faithful Admiral's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

I remember when I joined the 4th Degree how great it was to meet brothers from other councils and exchange ideas about what the different councils are doing. If it has been a while since you have attended a meeting, please plan to join us on Wednesday the 19th for our monthly meeting.

The next Exemplification is Saturday, November 5th at the Koger Center in Richmond. This is close enough that you can do it in one day. If it has been a while since you have seen the degree, I recommend you take this opportunity to observe it again, *especially if you sign up a new member... which I hope you will do.*

Although it can be done in a day, to get the full "4th Degree experience", it is best to make a weekend of it. It is a weekend I look forward to each year and I am sure you will enjoy it. For all the details, contact the Navigator or the Comptroller (their contact information is located at the end of this newsletter!).

Fraternally, SK Dennis M. Makurat, PFN Faithful Admiral

Faithful Comptroller's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

The next Exemplification of the 4th Degree will be held on Saturday, November 5th in Richmond. Please continue recruiting your fellow 3rd Degree Brothers to join the patriotic arm of the Order. Also, if you would like to attend the ceremony, banquet, and bring your Lady to the Ladies Program, please contact me to make arrangements. Costs: Candidates \$70; Banquet Tickets \$65; Ladies Program/Luncheon \$35.

Note: Please make checks payable to: **Fr. Malloy Assembly**

All fees for candidates, current Sir Knights, and spouses need to be forwarded to me and the Assembly will coordinate all Candidates tickets, Banquet tickets, and Ladies Program tickets

Please contact me with any questions.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally, SK William W. Weich, PFN Faithful Comptroller

Honor Flight Welcome





On Friday, October 7, four of our Sir Knights in full Service Regalia helped welcomed veterans arriving from Northeastern Tennessee as part of the Honor Flight program. Special thanks to **PFN Bill Weich, Associate Commander SK Vince Wilson, SK Randy Bordelon**, and **SK Alfonso Munevar** for participating.

Membership Blitz at St. Michael's

During the Columbus Day weekend, the Officers and Members of Msgr. Thomas P. Scannell Council, #14523 conducted a Membership Blitz at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Annandale, and members of Fr. Malloy Assembly came out to assist. In the end, this blitz garnered 15 interest cards and 2 Form 100's! Great job by all who participated... you have earned the appreciation of **SK Tom Howard**, Grand Knight.

Columbus Day Mass



Three of our Sir Knights participated in a Columbus Day Mass at St. Michael's Catholic Church on Sunday, October 9. Many thanks to Commander SK Roberto Bacalski, PFN Dick Owen, and SK Carroll Glass. Having the various colors (purple, white, and red) piqued the interest of at least one young lad... hopefully, he can convince his father to join the Order!

Columbus Day Celebration at Union Station



Several of our members took part in the annual Columbus Day Celebration at the statue of Christopher Columbus in front of Union Station. The ceremony, which included a presentation of Colors by the Honor America Corps, a wreath laying by several groups, and the President's own Marine Corps Band, has taken place each year since the dedication of the statue in 1912. Thanks to those who participated, especially **FM Cy Alba**, District Secretary **SK David Todd, Sr., SK Vince Wilson**, and **SK Karl Lesher**.

Wreath Laying at Tomb of the Unknowns





28 Sir Knights, accompanied by State Deputy Mike Gasper, took part in our annual Wreath Laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns, Arlington National Cemetery, on Columbus Day. It was a spectacular show of support for all of our men and women who have paid the ultimate price, but most especially those whose loved ones were never able to say their goodbyes. We were especially honored to have District Master Tom Trudeau and Vice Supreme Master Wayne Freet join us this year. We also welcomed several members of Fr. Casey Assembly, and one from Commodore Barry Assembly, who participated with us. (A picture of the entire contingency may be found on the last page of this issue!)

October's Meeting

Our October meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 19. We will begin with a Rosary at 7:30 PM, which will be followed immediately by 4th Degree Café ("Columbus, the Italian Explorer", presented by **SK Paul Cataldo**, and **PFN Bill Weich**).





The meeting itself will begin about 8:20 PM, and will hopefully be completed by 9PM. All are welcome to dress business casual (that is, polo or golf shirt, preferably Knights of Columbus).

Annandale Parade

Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly has been granted the honor of leading this year's Annandale Parade on Saturday, October 22. The parade begins at 10AM... we will muster at 9:30AM in front of the old Methodist church on Columbia Pike (you may have to enter the shopping center off Gallows Rd if the streets are blocked off). Our own PFN Richard P. Owen will be participating in the parade... as the starting Marshall! In light of this great honor, it would be nice to have a decent showing. If you can participate in full Service Regalia with Sword, please Steven contact Associate Marshal SK Zust momoftwins1994@yahoo.com.

Membership Blitz at St. Leo the Great Church

Fr. Francis J. Diamond Council will be conducting a Membership Blitz after each Mass at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church (3700 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, 22030) on the weekend of

October 22 & 23. Masses are Saturday the 22nd at 5PM, and Sunday the 23rd at 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM, 1:00PM (Spanish!), & 5:00PM. We would like to help support this effort to promote the Order and recruit new members (who will hopefully join us in the 4th Degree before too long). In you can participate in full Service Regalia with Sword, please contact Associate Marshal **SK Vince Wilson** at viwilson@avaya.com.

4th Degree Exemplification

Our Fall Exemplification is nearly upon us!

The Honors of the 4th Degree will be bestowed on many of our Brothers on Saturday, November 5, at the Koger Center in Richmond. It is not too late to submit applications... please do so no later than this month's Assembly meeting on Wednesday, the 19th.

In addition to Candidates, we need Sir Knights willing to serve as Escorts during the Exemplification. We need 4 Escorts for every 12 Candidates... so please consider making the trip to assist. Additionally, we need Sir Knights willing to assist in the Hospitality Room.

If you can assist at an Escort or with the Hospitality Room, please contact Faithful Navigator **SK Dave Todd, Jr.** as soon as possible at djtoddjr@gmail.com.

Also, if you plan to attend the Banquet, and/or need a ticket for the Ladies Program, please contact Faithful Comptroller **PFN Bill Weich** at wweich@yahoo.com.

Color Corps & Commander Training

Fr. Malloy Assembly will be hosting a Color Corps & Commander Training in the gym at St. Leo the Great School (3704 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, 22030... entrance towards back of the school, facing the west side of the church). Doors will open at 8:30AM, and we will have donuts & coffee available. Color Corps Training will begin at 9AM; Commander Training will begin about 10-15 minutes after CC Training has completed. Dress is casual; attendees should bring white gloves, chapeau, service baldric, and sword (there will be practice as part of the training). We encourage anyone who has never been thru Color Corps Training, as well as those who have not been in more than two years, to come join us. ALL Sir Knights are welcome. We will be extending a special invitation to our newest Sir Knights who will be taking the 4th Degree one week prior.

We could use some help to set-up at 8AM, as well as some help to clean-up afterwards. There is not much that needs to be done... just chairs, a couple of tables, and the podium... so two or three Sir Knights would be fine.

November's Meeting

Our November meeting is traditionally a Thanksgiving & Welcome Banquet, open not only to all Sir Knights, but to our Ladies as well. For those newest Sir Knights (that is, those who will be taking the 4th Degree on November 5), the fee is waived; for all others, it is \$15 per person (slight increase from previous years to ensure we break even). RSVP's should be made to the Faithful Captain, **SK Matt West** at either askmekofc@yahoo.com, or at (703) 475-2190.

Fundraiser Opportunity

During the past year, we have seen our accounts take some fairly major losses. Expenses seem to be up, income seems to be down. At this rate, it will not be long before we run out of money.

To this end, we are looking at some options to raise funds for our Assembly and our charitable outreach. One consideration is to host an event (Comedy Night, Casino Night, Concert, or a Magic Show). Any of these events would be manpower intensive (coordinating, sales, solicitations, set-up, clean-up, etc.)... but the return can be well worth it all.

At this time, we are looking for two things to get one of these started: 1) a Coordinator (someone who can take charge and oversee everything); and 2) a venue (preferably a parish!). Anyone interested in serving as a Coordinator is asked to contact Faithful Navigator **SK Dave Todd, Jr.** at djtoddjr@gmail.com.

And in the meantime, if anyone has any other ideas for a good fundraiser, please let us know as soon as possible. Ideally, we would like to find something that will have a good rate of return.



HERE RESTS IN HONORED GLORY AN AMERICAN SOLDIER KNOWN BUT TO GOD

Top Row: SK Fidel J. Rodriguez, PGK, DD; SK Jerry Hovan; SK R. Keith Morrison, GK; SK Carrol D. Glass, PGK; SK Kelly J. Niernberger, PGK, DD; SK Karl R. Lesher; SK Alfonso Munevar; SK Paul F. Cataldo; SK James P. McHugh, PGK; SK Robert J. Bollig; SK F. Randy Bordelon; SK Brian C. Prindle; SK S. Michael Pollak, PGK; SK Patrick A. McGuire, PGK; SK Joel J. Levesque, PGK; SK James T. Hogan.

Bottom Row: SK William W. Weich, PGK, PFN, DD; SK Alvin Grimmig, PGK, PFN, FDD; SK Isaias "Cy" Alba, III, PGK, PFN, FDD, FM, PSD; SK Francis J. Loughney, PGK, PFN, FDD, FVSM, PSD; SK David J. Todd, Jr., PGK, PFN, FN; SK Michael J. Gasper, PGK, PFN, FDD, SD; SK Roberto Bacalski, GK; SK Wayne S. Freet, PGK, PFN, FDD, PSD, VSM; SK Thomas A. Trudeau, PGK, PFN, FDD, DM; SK David J. Todd, Sr., PGK, PFN, FDD; SK Richard P. Owen, PGK, PFN, FDD; SK Alphonse J. Obuchowski, PGK, PFN, FDD.

Not Pictured: SK Vincent J. Wilson, PGK