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Fourth Degree

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NEWSLETTER

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Steven Bowman

Faithful Navigator

Faithful Navigator's Message

Where has the summer gone? It's already Decatur Celebration time, with Farm Progress and the start of a new school year is just around the corner. I do hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather and getting a chance to relax with friends and family. At the time of this writing, the Cubs & Cards are sitting atop of the NL Central standing, here's hoping they both stay there until late September.

On a business note, the new color corps requirements were reviewed during the July meeting. Leon did a good job at going over what changes are needed in the regalia and our color corps procedures. At this time, we will only be focusing on the regalia. It is noted in the manual, that "Today, Sir Knights wear regalia and carry a sword to honor Christ and His apostles, especially on religious and civic occasions". We should be proud of our regalia at all times, and thus take special care in seeing that it is in proper order: cleaned and pressed shirts, jackets, and pants, shoes shined, chapeaus in good condition, and medals and pins properly displayed. These all reflect on us personally, our assembly and the KCs in general. Take some time before our next event or Family Mass to look over your regalia and see that it reflects positively on you and the Order. If anyone, has questions, about the regalia changes, please feel free to ask Commander Leon or myself.

In the coming months, we'll be reviewing the changes to our procedures at Family Mass, Funerals, and other events. Please see that you are acquainted with these changes and follow them. Assembly 211 has a long and proud tradition, of activity within our church and community; they know us by the regalia.

Enjoy the rest of the summer, and I see you at the August Family Mass, looking sharp.

J.N. Steve Bowman

Deacon's Message

On the night before he suffered, Jesus prayed for the apostles. "Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one as we are." (JN18:11)

Jesus was about to undergo his passion. He was about to suffer more than any of us can imagine, yet his prayer was for his followers that they would remain united. He understood that any division among them would cause His ministry to suffer. They could not carry out the Father's wishes unless they stood together.

There is only one difference today. Instead of calling them apostles, we call them Knights. By our actions within our own ranks, we set the future course of our organization. Granted, even the most unorganized group can accomplish good things, but a strong group that stands united in a cause can accomplish great things.

Remember the lesson of the 2nd degree? Do you remember the difference between a strand of string and a large rope? Which broke easier? During our meeting last month it was brought up that there is some kind of a rift between some members of the 3rd and 4th degrees. This cannot happen, must not happen, and cannot continue to go on. We as Knights, no matter what degree, are here to serve God and mankind not ourselves.

So, my brothers, I must ask that you take the time to reach out to all our brother knights in prayer, love, and friendship. We must set the standard of Christianity among our ranks and show others that we are a united catholic organization that promotes charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. We are the Knights of Columbus serving those less fortunate and our church.

"As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit." (1COR 12:12-13)

Deacon Greg Sullivan

Upcoming Meeting & Event Dates

- Aug 19th 2009 Officer's meeting 6:15 PM
4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
KC Hall - Decatur
- Sept 16th 2009 Officer's meeting 6:15 PM
4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
KC Hall - Decatur
- Sept 20th 2009 4th Degree Family Picnic
KC Farm – 1:00 PM.
- Oct 21st 2009 Officer's meeting 5:30 PM
4th degree meeting 6:00 PM.
KC Farm – Weenie Roast
- Nov 18th 2009 Officer's meeting 6:15 PM
4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
KC Hall - Decatur
- Dec 16th 2009 4th degree meeting – 6:00 PM.
Christmas Dinner & Party

Ladies Auxiliary Officers 2009



4th Degree Officers 2009



Family Mass Schedule



- Aug 22nd 2009 Holy Family – Decatur
Mass @ 4:30 PM
Dinner – Pastabilities
Social – Gene Meyer's
- Sept 19th 2009 St. Columcille – Sullivan
Mass @ 5:00 PM
Dinner – TBA
- Oct 25th 2009 St. Mary's Assumption
Mass @ 8:00 AM. **(Sunday)**
Breakfast – TBA
- Nov 21st 2009 St. Patrick's – Decatur
Mass @ 5:30 PM
Dinner – TBA
- December 2009 No Family Mass Scheduled

Save these dates and plan on attending Family Mass with the 4th Degree. No regalia – No problem, you are still welcome to join us for worship and social.

Is Your Chalice Card Filled Out Correctly?

Given that we have 154 members, and less than 100 cards filled out, maybe the question becomes....

Is Your Chalice Card Filled Out ????

Questions ??
Email or call the following

Terry Heiland's email – ttheiland@sbcglobal.net
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Pray for the Sick



Joe Meyers	John Trolia
Joe Sepich	Lloyd Hanstedt
Della Overhuel	Hiram Peterson
Graham Bradley	Harold Kramer
Hiram Peterson	Terry Nelson
Bob Kolbeck	Lee Cook

Celebrating Birthdays

August 2009

01. Dennis Durbin
01. Julius Sebok
02. David Johnson
03. David Goebel
04. James Brinkoetter Jr
05. Brian Bowman
05. James Gould III
06. Richard Smith
09. John Wrigley
11. David Brinkoetter
13. Jeff Luthe
18. Hiram Pettersen
19. Leo La Fauce
22. Tim Gore
23. Samuel Fortner
25. John Disney
29. David Carter



Many, many birthday wishes to all Sir Knights celebrating this month.

August 7-8-9 Decatur Celebration

The 4th Degree KC will again march in the Saturday Morning parade. Meet at the KC Hall at 9:00 A.M.
Parade step off is 10:00 AM



Mark your Calendars !!!!!

September 1, 2, 3.

We are working on several fronts to secure work at this year's Farm Progress Show. The work may not firm up until days before the event. Please reserve these days on your calendar and plan on helping out your fellow Knights on this important fund-raiser.

Got a rosary in your pocket?



Remember your promise !!!
(Don't be caught without it)

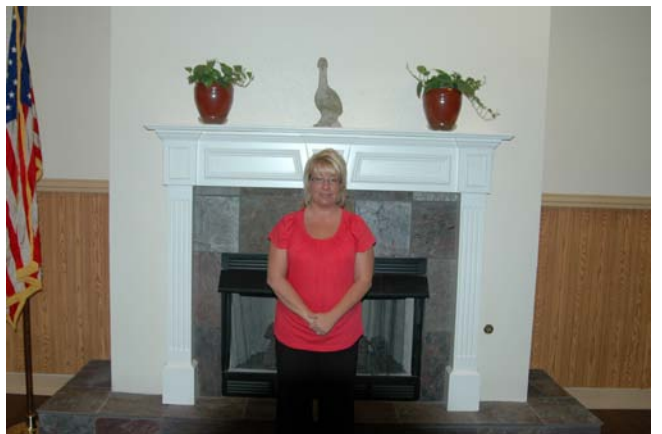
Thought for Today

Use what talents you possess. The woods would be very silent if no birds sang there except those that sang best.

- Henry van Dyke

Pictures from KC Installations – July 18th, 2009





Thanks to Dawn Bradley and staff for the enjoyable Installation dinner.