

Knight-ly News

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GIVING THANKS IN MEANINGFUL WAYS

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This is the month when most of us reflect, remember and give thanks for what we have as well as to those whose sacrifices allowed us these blessings. We begin with our Veterans. Join me on Saturday afternoon, **Nov. 2nd at the VA Hospital in Chillicothe** when the Columbus Chapter sponsors its VA Holiday Party and Spaghetti Luncheon there. Set-up for the luncheon starts at noon with the luncheon served from 1:30 to 3. Gifts for the Vets there are welcome and I have a list of suggested items if you'd like to either bring something or send it with me. Then, **be sure to VOTE on Tuesday, Nov. 5th!** This very freedom that so many died for should always be a freedom worth living for each and every election day!

On **Friday morning, Nov. 8th**, I call upon as many of you as possible to turn out in **full Fourth Degree regalia** for the **Veterans Day Parade in downtown Columbus**. We had a pathetic, embarrassing showing last year so please, make every effort to get down there this year. If you need a ride, call me or one of the other Assembly Officers listed at the left. We'll make sure you get there and back that day. Extra regalia will be available.

Finally, let's continue to give MEANINGFUL THANKS for everything else we've been blessed with by giving to others. Let's begin at "**home**" by carrying on Fr. Huber's work through St. Ladislav food pantry. The Faithful Captain is coordinating our involvement there so be sure and help when the call goes out.

HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING!!!

Our **SINCEREST CONDOLENCES** to the Family of **S.K. George J. Quinn** who was called by the Lord this past month. And to the **S. K. Thomas E. Miller Family** upon the loss of their son **Chris**.

SPECIAL THANKS to our brother Sir Knights at Council 910 in Danville for their outstanding hospitality at our Assembly's October 17th monthly business meeting there. Their District Deputy and our Faithful Commander S.K. Frank Polczynski did a wonderful job setting all of that up from our end. Some new member candidates have already turned in their Form 4s to him as a result of these Assembly building efforts!

MORE SPECIAL THANKS to S.K. Don Divney P.F.N. for joining us in Washington, DC on September 11th for our Order's Memorial Service. I apologize for omitting Don from last month's message.

VIVAT, **GREG**

Faithful Captain, Sir Knight Steve Wieland

Dear Brother Sir Knights and Ladies:

Monday, November 4th – Our monthly social dinner will be the joint Assembly Dinner with Columbian Martyrs Assembly 2380 and Bishop Herrmann Assembly 2727 at the Ohio State University Golf Course Clubhouse. The address is 3605 Tremont Avenue. The cost is \$25 per person payable (by check preferably) to Fr. Huber Assembly by Friday, October 25. Dress is TUXEDO and SOCIAL BALDRIC and appropriate attire for the Ladies. A Cash Bar will be open at 6:30 pm and Dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. The Master and his Lady and the Master's staff will be attending.

Thursday, November 21st – Our business meeting and dinner will also be our Annual Fr. Huber Assembly Thanksgiving Dinner. The assembly will provide turkey, dressing and ham. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

The Spirit of Giving gives us the opportunity to share our blessings with those who support us. J.O.I. N. asks if we can donate cleaning products and feminine hygiene products. The St. Ladislav Food Pantry is looking for canned vegetables, soups, creamy peanut butter, dishwashing liquid, paper towels, paper napkins and hair shampoo for the needy people they support. Lady Chris and I thank you in advance for your generosity.

Looking ahead to December, we will enjoy the huge fireplace at the Hearth and Eagle located on State Route 315 at the second traffic light just north of I-270. The restaurant has an excellent selection of steaks and chops and this is a favorite place of our lecturer, Sir Knight Bill Vey and his Lady Joan.

The December Business Meeting will be December 19th and this will be the annual Chinese Gift Exchange. This is the opportune time to think of a white elephant gift. Will the person who absconded with the ice bucket please return it to the Assembly!

Vivat Jesu, *Steven T. Wieland*, Faithful Captain

Faithful Pilot, Sir Knight Jesse Garcia

Brother Sir Knights,

Did you serve in the Military? Did your mom and/or dad serve our country? If so, Veteran's Day, is your/their day! If you didn't, this is also your day ... the day you can honor those who are currently serving, those that have served and those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country, your home!!

During the month of November there are two important dates, the first is Veterans Day, the day we remember those who are currently serving, those who have served and those who gave their life for the protection of our country and our way of life. The other is Thanksgiving, this year, remember our Armed Forces (both past and present) in your Thanksgiving prayers.

Remember that by joining the 4th Degree you have made a commitment to the highest order of the Knights of Columbus. Part of that duty is attending Regalia functions... let's all do our part to showcase the Father Huber Assembly 809 and really show Columbus that we are the Best Damn Assembly in the Columbus Diocese and all of Ohio!!

Faithfully Yours *Jesus V. Garcia III*

Regalia Events:

November 2, 2002 - Seton Parish Council 11187 Memorial Mass, 8:30 Rosary service followed by Mass and memorial service.

November 8, 2002 - Veteran's Day Parade. Gather at 10:00 am at Nationwide and High Street. Parade starts at 12:00 pm. A float will be available for those that don't wish to march. This is one that everyone should try to attend!!!

November 24, 2002 – Fr. Huber Assembly 809 Memorial Mass at the Cathedral. Gather at 10:00 am for a 10:30 Mass. Honor our departed Sir Brother Knights by attending.

Non-Regalia Events:

November 2, 2002 - VA Holiday Party, Chillicothe Ohio. For those attending the Seton Memorial Mass that morning, there will be a caravan leaving from Seton to attend, approximate departure time is between 10:30 and 11:00 am. Bring a change of clothes and make a difference in a Vet's Holiday.

Up-Coming Activities:

April 4 - 6, 2003 - The 4th Degree Exemplification will be held at the Marriott North. It's not too early to plan for this event ...



Remember- for the latest news, visit the (809) Home page located at the following URL:

<http://www.setonparish.com/KnightsFolder/809/index.htm>

A THANKSGIVING PRAYER

God, Creator of the earth and all its people, help us to be mindful that, as members of one global family, we are equal in Your eyes. Help us to continue to appreciate the diversity of persons in our homes and in our world.

As equal members may we build a better world and proclaim our willingness to be the holy people You call us to be.

Amen.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN AMERICAN!

To believe in promise of a better tomorrow,
And stand united in our efforts
To give a peaceful nation to our children,
To love deeply our friends and family,
Day by day, and never take for granted
The privilege of calling ourselves Americans.

By Charles Miller, Age 12

The Faithful Navigator, Greg Kostelac, has asked that you submit your e-mail addresses to the Newsletter Editor so that he can send you your copy of the Newsletter via e-mail. This will get the news to you faster and save a little on postage.

E-mail your e-mail address to Dave Core @ core.home@juno.com

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THEY NEED US.
WE NEED THEM.**

Vocations Are Everybody's Business



Brother Knights,

Our annual Memorial Mass to honor the members of our Assembly who have died during the past year is scheduled for **Sunday, November 24th, at Saint Joseph's Cathedral**. If you know of any Brother Knight who has passed away between last year's mass in late November and now, please notify me via phone at (614) 837-0084 or via e-mail at poppops614@aol.com. I already have a partial list, but I want to be certain that no one is forgotten. Gather at 10:30 AM in the undercroft for the 11:00 AM Mass. Invite your families to join us.

Faithful Admiral, Joe Rossi PFN

IN MEMORIUM: GEORGE J. QUINN



GOOD OF THE ORDER — PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

PETER & MARY BROECKEL—JOHN BROKUS— DWIGHT CONKEY— FR. SNOKE— JOAN VEY— CHUCK HARRIS—
IRENE CASSADY—KAREN KOSTELAC—PAT & KAREN FAHY—JIM HACKER FAMILY—ROBERT HAHN—
RICHARD ARNET—TOM MILLER FAMILY—LEO SHEDLOCK—MSGR. FETE—STEPHEN AMBROSE—
DAVE SMITH—VICTIMS OF SNIPER ATTACK—JACK SCHMIDT

**IF YOU KNOW OF A BROTHER SIR KNIGHT WHO IS SICK OR IN DISTRESS,
PLEASE CONTACT - PFN BERT BORUSZEWSKI
Bert can be contacted @ 864-0024 or by e-mail @ Bertcols@yahoo.com**

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**BILL DOOLEY
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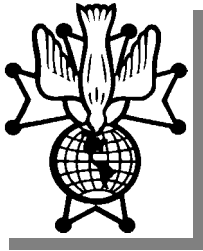
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The Assembly meets on the Third Thursday of each month. Social meeting @ 7:00 PM and the Business meeting @ 8:00 PM.

We meet @ St. Lad's Church at 277 Reeb Ave. Columbus, Ohio

Assembly 809 web site: <http://www.setonparish.com/KnightsFolder/809/index.htm>

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Practical Voting

In the elections of 2000, surveys showed that among those calling themselves Christians, only 50% were registered to vote. Then, on election day, only half of the Christians who were registered actually went to the polls. The Christian vote has declined 10% since 1994.

Then we sit around and wonder why the policies of our country are less and less Christian. And remember, some races were won by 90 votes. A single congregation, and the efforts of a single pastor, could have made the difference.

One of the reasons that some Christians don't vote is that they are being told not to by some of their leaders. Some Christians feel it is more righteous not to vote when the slate of candidates isn't that great. They feel compromised, dirty, or even sinful by casting a ballot for someone with whom they disagree.

Now it is true that to vote for someone who will advance un-Christian policies, precisely because you want them to, while rejecting a better, viable alternative, is indeed sinful. But when you are faced with two candidates, neither of whom is perfect (surprise!), but one of whom is clearly closer in his/her convictions to the Gospel than the other, it is perfectly legitimate to vote for the better one.

Some mistakenly call this "the lesser of two evils." It is not. In this example, one is not choosing evil at all. Rather, one is choosing a good. The good is the reduction, as much as possible, of an existing evil.

A clear example arises with abortion. All abortions are currently legal. If one candidate wants to eliminate more abortions than the other one, my vote for the one who wants to eliminate more can be seen as an effort to reduce the evil of legal abortion, and a choice to reduce evil is precisely a good.

Now some Christians, not finding a candidate who is willing to eliminate all abortions, do not vote at all. It is a mistake, however, for these Christians to think they will be "tainted" by voting for an imperfect candidate. The vote is not a vote for canonization, nor is it a declaration that one agrees with every position the candidate takes. (The only way to do that is to vote for yourself!)

What then, is the vote? It is a practical exercise in leadership, by which we do our part to put people into office who can make some improvement in our country's policies. Both we and the elected official are obliged to make the maximum improvement possible at the moment. At the same time, nobody is morally bound to what is impossible, and it is perfectly legitimate to recognize the limits of what is possible.

Fr. Frank Pavone



GET OUT AND VOTE

