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From Our Navigator

Dear Brother Sir Knights,

These first days of autumn bring on many thoughts.

Leaves turning color...raking, bagging, and blowing; air is turning cooler, days noticeably shorter.

Football! Endless streams of football. Friday, Saturday, Sunday, football! Every game is the "big game".

Hunting! Deer, duck, goose, you name it we hunt it.

Chores. Many, many chores to do before snow will arrive.

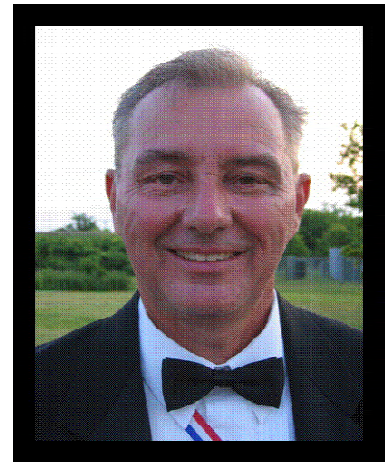
As you can figure, your Faithful Navigator is not very fond of this time of the year. A lot of you surely like this time of year. Come help me with my leaves. Let's flip a coin for the gutters!

Good things, such as my wife's birthday (Halloween), keep us guessing on just how much candy to give the growing number of adults coming to our door, trick or treating with their youngsters. Imagine..., Halloween getting more and more like Christmas? Yuk!

For certain, the memorial mini retreat in November is a chance to regenerate and focus on the way we strive to live our lives, charity, unity, fraternalism, patriotism. If you have not been to this annual event please avail yourself. It is an evening of great spiritual renewal and friendship. Be sure to bring your lady.

Presently, the provincial meeting is on the horizon. It is always fun and interesting to hear what other assemblies in MI and OH do in their spare time. This year more assembly officers are going than in the past. This is a good sign. The strength of our assembly depends on those who want to participate.

Once you see the endless line of honor guard at a provincial mass you may just realize how engaged we are with the bishops and priests. The provincial is the "big game", but not a game...just a way in autumn to show our colors!



Vivat Jesus.
Patrick Donlon

Dear Worthy Sirs,

Those of us who were at the installation of officers recently heard that our patriotic degree is about more than just displaying the flag and colors. It is about the stewardship of the earth as well. This is an appropriate thought as we celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi October 4. Francis was aware of all God's creation, and his canticle of the creatures called on all creation to praise our God. We as patriotic Knights are called as well to be good stewards of creation. We do not own the world and all that it contains; we are stewards of it. The gospel of the 23rd was Christ talking about a steward who was squandering his master's property. Our world is God's property, and we often squander it for our own pleasure and gain. Global warming, the wars, persecutions and genocides are all sins of poor stewardship. Francis walked to the sultan's domain to speak to him about peace, but others preferred war destruction. The least we can do is try to be at peace with our neighbor and appreciate God's creation by using God's gifts wisely, not selfishly. Our meeting ended by recalling the meaning and importance of the flag and the sword, and lastly the cross. The flag and sword are significant, but the cross is our symbol of the blood of the Son of God who cried out God's love as he died for us. May we be faithful and selfless in our stewardship; and appreciate the blood poured out for us not only on Calvary, but on the altar every time Mass is offered. This too is good stewardship.



Fr. Maurice

Knights Send Disaster Relief to Peruvian Earthquake Victims

The Knights of Columbus announced Aug. 29 that it has donated \$25,000 in relief assistance to victims of the Aug. 15, 2007 earthquake along the country's Pacific coast. The 7.9-magnitude earthquake resulted in more than 500 deaths and left some 85,000 people homeless. The K of C contribution was sent to Cardinal Juan Luis Cipriani Thorne, the Catholic Archbishop of Lima, to assist the Church's outreach to earthquake victims.



My Brother Knights,

NOW is the time to get started recruiting for the Exemplification on April 12th, 2008. Keep after those 3rd. degree brothers you've been talking to for months or years. Push your council officers to get those new Knights through the Major Degrees, so they're ready for the Exemplification when the time comes. Ask all the brothers in your council to finish their degrees so they know what is expected of a full Knight of Columbus member.



Thank You,
Pete Droste,
Membership Director.

2007/2008

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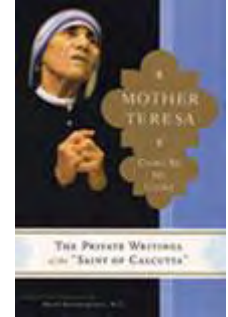
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Book on Mother Teresa

Mother Teresa: Come Be My Light (Doubleday), a collection of Mother Teresa's previously unpublished writings with commentary by the postulator for her cause for canonization, sheds new light on a woman many believe to be a modern-day saint.

Father Brian Kolodiejchuk, MC, who is guiding Blessed Teresa's cause, will join

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson online for a discussion of this new book. This month's print issue of Columbia magazine features an exclusive excerpt from "Come Be My Light".



Report on Councils

- Council 788 is hosting a Breakfast after the early Masses on Sunday Sept 23rd.
- IHM is hosting a Breakfast on Sept 30th after the early Masses.
- St Casimir will have their Breakfasts every month on the 3rd Sunday, after their early Masses
They will also be sponsoring a fundraising dinner for Rainbow Homes on January 18th at the Cadillac Club.
- St Therese is hosting Breakfast from 9:00 to noon on the 2nd Sunday of the Month.
- Holy Cross is having their Parish Festival this Sept 28th and 29th. Also, on Sept 30th, a Family Mass.

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HONOR GUARD

The Honor Guard had another light month during September. We had two Call-Outs at the beginning of the month, but have two more to come after this article goes to print. The first Call-Out was on September 5 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Portland for Assembly Officer Installation. Attending in regalia were SK Gayle Meeks, SK Dan Reinecke, and Commander Ed Wawiernia. Also attending for the Installation of Officers were PFN Bill Currie, PFN Dennis Henderson, and FN Pat Donlon.



The second Call-Out was at St. Mary Cathedral on September 9 for a Corporate Communion. Attending were PFN Bill Currie, FN Pat Donlon, SK Dar Halfmann, SK Mike Jennings, SK Gayle Meeks, SK Walt Ozanich, SK Dan Reinecke, and Commander Ed Wawiernia.

We have two Call-Outs planned the weekend of September 29 and 30. September 29, we will be at St. Thomas Aquinas for a Corporate Communion and the televised Mass. On September 30, we will be at IHM for a Corporate Communion.

You may have heard by now that I started a new job recently. Now that I am working full time, I have a greater appreciation for everything that the members of the Honor Guard do for our Assembly. I have found it much more difficult to make every Call-Out, but like so many members of the Honor Guard, I try harder to make it to as many as I can. That is one of the reasons that we are always looking for new members of the Honor Guard. The more Sir Knights in the Honor Guard, the better the Assembly and our Councils look.

Any Sir Knight interested in finding out more about the Honor Guard, or interested in joining the Honor Guard, should contact Faithful Commander Ed Wawiernia (517-622-5071), Assistant to the Commander Paul Lacroix (517-641-4444), or Faithful Navigator Pat Donlon (517-333-8985).

Paul Lacroix Assistant to the Commander

