



*Knights of Columbus*  
*Holy Cross Assembly No. 3048*  
*Germantown/Collierville Tennessee*  
*Council 7449 Council 8826*

*Navigator's Log February, 2008*

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Color Corps Commander	Tony DiMaiolo

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**Lent Reminds Us of Choices**

Last month we made a New Year plan or resolutions to **strengthen assets, reduce our liabilities and increase our spiritual net worth to be closer to the purpose of the Lord.** The Lenten Season is a reminder to measure our progress on our New Year plan or resolutions to increase our spiritual net worth.

Daily we come to **cross-roads** in our work and family life where **choices** are necessary, major and minor, spiritual and material. The choices are ours, each choice and action through life molds and shapes us into the person we are today. Are there choices and actions that can make me a better person than I am today? Times change and our **choices are many** but our identity as Catholics must remain strong. If we ask for God's guidance in our choices, our **actions will reflect the strength of our faith.**

The Lenten Season also presents an opportunity to meditate on our present path and to consider any change in our choices in the future.

Some choose a path of action that benefits others, a rougher path than to do nothing, but extremely rewarding because others are traveling the same road and that will eventually lighten the load and everyone will benefit.

**Jesus retreated to the desert for 40 days of meditation on the Passion. "Go away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest" (MK 6:31)** was the counseling by Jesus when the disciples became overwhelmed with daily tasks.

Now is the time during Lent to retreat from the fatigue and pressures of our daily routine to a **"deserted place and rest" alone in a quite place every day for 15 to 30 minutes and personalize a relationship with Jesus.**

Several avenues to consider for meditation and action during Lent are to focus on an effort to increase participation in **The Eucharist and Sacrament of Reconciliation and to implement a specific time and place to contemplate on our daily actions.** Daily contemplation can include events of the Passion, the fourteen Stations of the Cross, a rosary, to pray for help to overcome specific difficulties, for help in facing problems that arise daily. Christ taught us to pray daily for our needs and not to be vague or unconnected with our lives in prayer.

**Sir Knights** we have a Lenten responsibility to guide and set an example for our families and community, as well as to ourselves, to reflect on our spiritual and material God given gifts, blessings and graces and to prepare to share them with our fellow man.

The greatness of our Catholic faith is the daily meaning and value in assisting us in fulfilling God's Will and the opportunity to obtain happiness through sharing with our fellow man **The degree of happiness in our journey through life is the strength of our faith and the adventures of our choices**

**It's great to be a Catholic and a Sir Knight.**

**The flickering Sanctuary Candle reminds us the Master is home, we are welcome anytime.**

*Respectfully Sir Knight,*  
*Ronald P. Schillinger*  
*Faithful Navigator*

**COMMITTEES WORK-In-PROGRESS**

Help and suggestions are always greatly appreciated, please give a few minutes of your talents and skills to strengthen accomplishments and gain fraternal momentum.

**Color Corps – Tony DiMaiolo Color Corps Commander**

Feb 9<sup>th</sup> Saturday 6:00 Post Colors - Police and Fireman Dinner

March 16<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday 10:30 am Mass St. Brigid Church, Lowrance Rd. Honor Guard for Mass and procession

March 23<sup>rd</sup> Easter Mass, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Honor Guard

May 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 10:30 am Corpus Christi Mass St Brigid Church, Lowrance Rd Honor Guard for Mass and Holy Eucharist procession

**Communication – Vince Morelli - David Guntert**

Contact Vince Morelli on web-site and David Gunter on address, phone and email updates. Holy Cross Assembly newsletters, Knights of Columbus information, Council links and other up-dates are available on [www.holycross3048.com](http://www.holycross3048.com).

Survey – Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity must be completed by January 31st

Supreme is insisting on our reporting this information to measure the performance of the Fourth Degree Assemblies, survey will be emailed, we need your hours of participation.

Number of visits to: Sick \_\_\_\_\_ Bereaved \_\_\_\_\_ Number of times you donated blood: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated hours of volunteer services: Sick/disabled members and their families

Church \_\_\_\_\_ Community \_\_\_\_\_ Youth \_\_\_\_\_ Misc \_\_\_\_\_

**Country – Ron J. Scharf - Edgar Bran**

February/March - Patriotism Essay Contest for the Church of the Incarnation School and Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, theme is "The Responsibility of the Catholic Citizen in a Free Society".

VA Hospital Program – need for volunteers at the hospital, couple hours per week.

**Social – Tony DiMaiolo - Vince Morelli**

May Wives Appreciation & Award Dinner - Sir Knights wear Tuxedos and Social Baldric, ladies Sunday dress, the presentation of awards for Sir Knights at the dinner for service during past year.

**The Order – Phil Moore - Bob Tragarz - Marvin Schaefer**

July 1, 2007 to Sept 8, 2008 Our Lady of Charity, Marion Adoration program – the preparation of a "spiritual bouquet" to be presented to Pope Benedict XVI. A program recording prayers, Rosaries and charitable works will be kept in a log and up-dated each month.

April 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> Knights Of Columbus State Convention, Cool Springs Marriott Hotel and Convention Center Franklin, TN. Deadline for reservations March 15<sup>th</sup>. Three names for the Fourth Degree Master for the TN District are submitted for consideration by the Supreme Master

May 4<sup>th</sup> Corporate Mass Sunday, 12:30 Mass, to celebrate May 3<sup>rd</sup> Finding of the Holy Cross, Feast Day for Holy Cross Assembly. Sir Knights wear Tuxedos and Social Baldric (no cape, Chapeau or sword) prior to beginning of Mass, Sir Knights, wives and families will line up to proceed as an Assembly down the center aisle to their reserved seats. Lunch after Mass

September 14<sup>th</sup> Corporate Mass Sunday, 12:30 Mass to celebrate Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Feast Day for Holy Cross Assembly Sir Knights wear Tuxedos and Social Baldric (no Cape, Chapeau or sword) Prior to beginning of Mass, Sir Knights, wives and families will line up to proceed as an Assembly down the center aisle to their reserved seats. Lunch after Mass

**SCHEDULED EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

**The Order**

**Feb 1<sup>st</sup> First Friday Eucharistic Adoration – Holy Cross Assembly at Our Lady of Perpetual Help,** no pre-sign up, when ever you and family can participate, please sign the Holy Cross Rooster at the door

**Color Corps**

**Feb 9<sup>th</sup> Saturday 6:30 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church St Therese Hall - Police and Fireman** Appreciation Dinner, post colors before dinner be there by 5:45 pm

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**RECENT MEETINGS, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

**January 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting Summary**

Our **Faithful Comptroller David Guntert** presented the revenues and expenditures, the budget and dues collected to date. **Ron Scharf, Country Committee**, presented the dates in February and March with details for the **Knights of Columbus Essay Contest “The Responsibility of Catholic Citizens in a Free Society”** with participation by the students at The Church of Incarnation School, Our Lady of Perpetual Help School and possibly Madonna Learning Center. All the posters, forms, rules and timetable have been received from Supreme and acknowledged participation by the schools. **Phil Moore, The Order Committee**, presented the dates for the First Friday Eucharistic Adoration February 1<sup>st</sup>, Corporate Mass and Pope Benedict XVI “spiritual bouquet” program in addition to other tentative programs. **Tony DiMaiolo, Color Corps Commander** reported the Color Corps has four flags with the Knights of Columbus Flag on order. Some committee program dates were set and approved while other tentative dates and programs were presented for consideration.

**The Order**

**Special Notice – Reminder - 2008 Dues - As soon as nine members pay their dues we’ll be 100%**

The 2008 dues notice was mailed last month allowing each member to pay their \$35.00 dues by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Your present dues status expires on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2007 and to remain an active paid-up member your dues should be received by then. The letter accompanying the dues reviewed the programs and reasons for the request for voluntary donations in addition to your dues. **The voluntary donation requests are 100% voluntary not part of the 2008 dues. Thank you to the Sir Knights mailing in checks exceeding the dues, it is greatly appreciated. Please remember the dues are our major source of income to help us fulfill our Patriotic programs.**

Our assembly is a little over six months old and the number of Sir Knights stepping forward without any hesitation and with sincere enthusiasm to participate personally and financially is creating a strong fraternal momentum with planning, setting and accomplishing goals within a short period of time. A most deserving standing ovation to the following Sir Knights for their personal contribution to Holy Cross Assembly for purchasing and donating all our flags for the Color Corps

**American Flag – Tommy Shepherd**

**Papal Flag – Tom Wilson**

**Mia/POW Flag – Phil Moore**

**Tennessee Flag - Tony DiMaiolo**

**Knights of Columbus – Steve Cantu and Stan Cychowski**

In addition to the financial donations, the personal time and efforts of the officers and committee members is astonishing as presented in the committee reports, events and activities and the summary of the minutes. Our monthly meetings are very productive due to the creativity of programs through a degree of personalization and interaction from everyone present. With new members attending our meetings, participation will continue to build fraternal strength and momentum.

**Color Corps**

**Jan 19<sup>th</sup> Saturday St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church at 12 Noon Funeral Mass for Sir Knight Sid Valadie,** representing Holy Cross Assembly Sir Knight Ronald P. Schillinger FN.



**HOLY CROSS ASSEMBLY No. 3048**  
Meeting, Monday February 4th 6:30 pm  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Germantown  
(Knights Room 212 next to the school gym)

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