



Notes from the Faithful Navigator, Fr. Sam Tambourin Assembly 2739

Wow, where did the summer go? Well, some of us probably had enough of the heat, which is really unusual. Though it wasn't that hot, it was an intense heat and it gets under your skin. Anyway, I am not ready for the cold weather, but it is coming, so I might as well welcome it and live with it as well as the increase in the price of gas. It seems like every year we have an increase of either gas or electricity - can't win for losing.

We had a pretty good turn out in our Labor Day parade. Both the Council and the Fourth Degree showed up with the green jackets and full regalia, and I thank everyone who participated. Special thanks to SK Wayne Bonde, who provided the trailer, to SK Dennis Kathrein, who provided the Good "ole" tractor and drove it too, and to "ole" SK Ed Kraker, who provided the place and also decorated the float. Let's hope he will be around again for the next parade.

Our next event will be the Mass for our deceased members. This will be held on the first Sunday of November. Fourth Degree Knights with regalia are expected to participate, in full regalia, during the 8:00 Mass. Please check your regalia and make sure it is in top shape. Your cape should have no wrinkles, your sword should be shining, and you should only wear military type black shoes with black socks and clean white gloves. Remember, when we are in full regalia, we are to perform like a military detail -- sharp in executing commands, such as draw sword, return sword, present sword, left face, right face etc. Please practice these commands at home.

After that, our next event, which will also be in November, is the Thanksgiving Dinner for the military at NAS Fallon. Similar to previous years, we will be cooking the meat. Last year, SK Richard Wiersma took the ham and baked it at Stockman's. However, since he no longer works there, this year we will have to cook both the turkeys and the hams, ourselves. Therefore, we will need a few volunteers to take the turkeys and hams home and roast them. In addition, we will also be preparing the tables for the dinner and doing the clean up. In previous years, we had some help from some other organizations at the base, so the preparation and clean up was not too hard. By the way, this is not just a Fourth Degree Function, this is a Knight of Columbus function, so the Council is also invited and requested to help. This is one project when we, as a Fallon community, help the military personnel stationed at NAS Fallon have the feeling of eating Thanksgiving dinner at home. Everyone should also bring any side dishes that you want to share, such as desert type dishes, salads, hot rolls, etc. Last year we fed 185 sailors, which did not include the volunteers we had. This is a big event, so please be prepared and lets have a good showing.

In closing, let me say that I received a call from our new Master of the Fourth Degree. His name is Marv Harris, he is from Reno, and he is a member of the Bishop Manogue Assembly. I don't know very much about him and I don't recall having heard his name before, while I was the Faithful Navigator, and even long before I became the Faithful Navigator of the Bishop Manogue Assembly, so I am looking forward to meeting him. I am pretty sure he will pay us a visit at one of our meetings. I have told him when, where, and what time we meet. It is a good thing that he is from Reno. Maybe he will have better activities coming up. Anyway, lets welcome him and congratulate him to his appointment.

Ron Encarnacion, Faithful Navigator

The Last Word - Grand Knight's Corner

Dear Brother Knights,

As I take over as Grand Knight this year, I am asking you, my Brother Knights, to help me fulfill one of my major pledges for the year. That is, for you Brother Knights who are not attending our meetings and activities to, once again, become active members in our Council and our Council activities.

During the past two years, attendance has been declining. Members of the Council, especially the younger members, have started to fall away. For the most part, only the older members continue to hold Fallon Council 4828 together. I am asking you to help revive our council by becoming active, once again. We need your help.

Our meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Please mark these dates on your calendar! Once or twice a month shouldn't be too difficult to give to your Catholic Organization. Can I count on you!!! Once you start attending each month, you'll find out what it really means to be a Knight of Columbus, and an active follower of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Fraternally,

Dennis Kathrein
Grand Knight

The next edition of the *Oasis Knightline* will be published in late December. If you have an idea for an article, please submit them to FS Jim Shurtliff at shurtfam@cccomm.net or at 4712 Benson Lane, Fallon, NV 89406 or send them to the Council's address at PO Box 2545, Fallon, NV 89407. Submittals should be received by December 15th for inclusion in the newsletter. Photos (regular or digital) are welcome, too.