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Faithful Navigator's Message

My Brother Sir Knights,

I want to apologize to all the members of this Assembly for the FN Message in the last newsletter. It contained incorrect information. The Assembly is not losing money on meals. Overall, we are basically breaking even, some months making money and some months losing money. The mistake was wholly my fault.

I also want to especially apologize for the tone of the FN message in the e-mailed version of the newsletter. It was written in haste and with anger. That was wrong; and as I ask for your forgiveness, I also promise you that it will never happen again.

The fact remains, however, that the Assembly is losing money and something must be done to stop the shortfalls.

On another topic, two Sir Knights have gone home to our Heavenly Father recently. There are two distinct differences in how the Assembly was directed to react to the deaths of these fine men. One man completed his form for Instructions to the Assembly upon his death, the other did not.

These instructions are held by the Faithful Comptroller and, upon your death, are made known to the Assembly. These wishes are granted as a result of your membership in the Assembly and are performed without cost to you or your family.

It includes deciding whether you would like a memorial of Perpetual Masses or a chalice donated to either a religious order or a specific priest. You can designate whether and where you would like an Honor Guard of the Color Corps and/or the presence of as many Sir Knights as possible at any or all services related to your passing. Or, you may designate that you don't wish any special presentations, donations, or memorials.

However, we cannot know your wishes unless you inform us of them. The Faithful Comptroller reports a minority of Sir Knights have submitted one of these forms.

It is wrong to assume that the Assembly will do nothing upon your passing if you don't send in the form. The standard procedure in the event a Sir Knight passes without submitting one of these forms is to secure a memorial of Perpetual Masses and have an Honor Guard of the Color Corps at the mass of Christian Burial.

It is a simple one-page form that will take no more than 10 minutes to complete. Blank forms are available from the Faithful Comptroller at the meetings. If you can't make meetings, let us know and we can mail you a blank form.

Proposal to Raise Annual Dues

A proposal was brought to the Assembly at the November meeting to raise the annual dues \$5.00 per year from \$20.00 to \$25.00. The proposal was to make the increase effective as of January 1, 2009.

However, this proposal would mean a change in the Assembly's by-laws. Per those by-laws, the membership must be notified in writing before such a measure can be voted on, and it will require a two-thirds majority in order to take effect.

The next regular business meeting of the Assembly will be held on January 26, 2009. Please plan to attend that meeting, especially if you have strong feelings one way or another about the proposal to raise dues.

December Planning and Business Meetings

The Assembly will not have a business meeting in December. And, in lieu of the planning meeting the Assembly will hold its annual Christmas Party. It will again be a pot luck dinner. Please bring your spouse and some food to share with others. The planning meeting traditionally begins at 7pm.

May God Bless each and every one of you this Christmas season.

John Brodie
Faithful Navigator



FUTURE MEETINGS

DECEMBER

10 December Planning Meeting
NO BUSINESS MEETING

Business meeting starts at 6:30
Planning Meeting starts at 7:00

JANUARY

14 January Planning Meeting
27 January Business Meeting

APPOINTED POSITIONS

COLOR CORP CMDR RUSS TEREAU

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“IF” Drawing:

At our General Business Meeting every month a drawing is made from all members' names to win some cash.

**“IF” SK Richard Ramirez would have been in attendance he would have won the drawing for \$100. 00
You must be present to win.**



**2008/2009
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The officers of Bishop Alphonse Gallegos Assembly 2336 would like to wish all Sir Knights and their families a very blessed and happy Christmas and a happy new year.



Greetings Fellow SKs:

Gabe Eder, Niel Evans, Michael Jones and Percy White honored Sir Knight Leo T. Bogaert at his rosary on Nov. 18th. I especially want to thank Percy White for doing his outstanding job with the eulogy. And for his Mass and grave side service Gabe Eder, Niel Evans, Tim Fukuda, Beora Hart, and Dan Wayne honored our departed Brother. I also want to thank Tim Fukuda for taking the extra step by participating with his neck collar. Everyone did an outstanding job.

Fraternally,
Niel Evans, PFN

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

If you should see any of these fine Sir Knights, wish them a happy birthday and remind them that if they come to the business meeting, dinner is on the assembly.

Sir Knight Peter Davila	5th
Sir Knight Thomas Mbara	6th
Sir Knight Mark Heller	7th
Sir Knight Felix Onukwugha	10th
Sir Knight Rev. William Kraft	11th
Sir Knight Gary Gilmore	20th
Sir Knight Joe Schaffhausen, PFN	21st
Sir Knight John Mello, Sr.	25th
Sir Knight David Magnino	27th

Christmas Wonderland, Keeping Jesus in Christmas

The Daughters of Isabella #1332, St. Anne's Circle, Lodi, CA, will be hosting their annual Christmas Fundraiser Dinner on Saturday, December 6th, at St. Anne's Hall. Lodi, (corner of Walnut and Church Streets)

The theme this year is:

Christmas Wonderland, Keeping Jesus in Christmas.

The evening will begin at 6:00 PM with no host cocktails and plenty of time to socialize. A holiday dinner will be prepared by the talented chefs from the Knights of Columbus will start at 7:00 PM.

The menu consists of festive pork tenderloin with applesauce, garlic-mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, green salad, bread coffee and dessert. Musical entertainment will be presented by the Huerta family and a Christmas "Sing a long". Rev. Father Brandon Ware will give an "Inspirational Christmas Message" There will be a door prize & raffle drawings. Proceeds will be used to support local community Charities. Unwrapped toys, donated by members and guests will be gifts for children at the Lodi Service Center

The cost for the event is \$20.00 per person and \$5.00 for children aged 6-12; children 5 and under are free. Reservations may be made by calling either Inez - 368-8040, Doreen - 334-9219, or Members. The deadline for reservations is December 2nd. Tickets will not be sold at the door. RESERVE EARLY!

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