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**ATTEND THE NEXT ASSEMBLY MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 17TH  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS - SHOW YOUR SUPPORT**

## NAVIGATORS REPORT

**Sir Knights.** May is dedicated to Our Lady. Two Marian liturgical celebrations are commemorated in May. When Ascension falls in May, the Saturday after the Ascension of Our Lord is traditionally celebrated as the *Feast of Our Lady, Queen of the Apostles*. The liturgy commemorates the period of time after the Ascension when the apostles were gathered in prayer with Mary and the women in the Upper Room. On May 31, in the United States, we celebrate the Commemoration of the Visitation. When Mary heard that her elderly cousin, Elizabeth, was expecting a child, she hurried to help her. Mary's service brought Christ to the home of Zechariah and Elizabeth.

Mary's prayer—which we now call the Magnificat - is recorded in St Luke's Gospel:

**"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; for He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with His arm, He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, He has put down the mighty from their thorns, and exalted those of low degree; He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away. He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to His posterity for ever".**

On May 2nd we also celebrated the Feast of Saint Athanasius, bishop and doctor of the Church. St Athanasius is best known for his life long fight against the heresy of Arianism. He also composed one of the earliest prayers to Our Lady.

**It is becoming for you, O Mary,  
to be mindful of us,  
as you stand near Him  
who bestowed upon you all graces,  
for you are the Mother of God and our Queen.  
Come to our aid for the sake of the King,  
the Lord God and Master who was born of you.  
For this reason you are called "full of grace."  
Be mindful of us, most holy Virgin,  
and bestow on us gifts  
from the riches of your graces,  
O Virgin full of grace.**

As Our Lady's Knights, let us remember the importance of the Rosary in our daily prayer.

As you will see elsewhere, your Color Corps has been quite active and we have more opportunities in the months ahead, including anniversary Masses for two of our beloved pastors. Election of officers will be conducted at our May meeting. Please come and vote.

Elections will also be held in the councils from which our assembly is drawn. Plan now to participate in the Color Corps supporting the installations of our brother knights.

Finally, we were honored at our last meeting by the presence of Our State Treasurer, SK Cy Alba, whose eloquent remarks bode well for the future of the Virginia Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus  
Tom Connely  
Faithful Navigator

## Wanted

***The Assembly is in great need of someone to take over the monthly task of assembling and publishing the Navigator's Log. See page 2 for information.***

**NEXT ASSEMBLY MEETING  
WEDNESDAY,  
MAY 17TH, 7:30 PM**

The next meeting of Fr. Malloy Assembly will be held at Providence Hall, St. Leo the Great Parish on Wednesday, May 17th. The meeting will start with a recitation of the Holy Rosary at 7:30 PM. This will be followed by The Knights Cafe, a social, sit-down repast prepared by Brother Sir Knight Bill Weich. A business meeting and election of Officers for the 2006-2007 Assembly year will follow The Knights Cafe. All Sir Knights are urged to attend.

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*The following two items will be voted upon at the next Assembly meeting on May 17. Please try to attend this meeting and cast your vote for this change in the By-Laws and show your support for the Assembly by casting your vote for the new Assembly Officers.*

**Proposed Change to By-Laws**

A motion for change to the Assembly by-laws with reference to Article VI – Meetings was made and carried at the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. The change will affect only in part the line referring to a quorum at a meeting.

**Present:** Fifteen (15) members shall constitute a quorum at a meeting

**Proposed Change:** *Eleven (11) members shall constitute a quorum at a meeting.*

The proposal will be voted on at the May meeting.

The Nominating committee submits the following names for nomination for the 2006=2007 Father Malloy Assembly year

Faithful Navigator	SK Thomas Kelley
Faithful Captain	SK Richard Lee
Faithful Admiral	SK Thomas Connelly, FN
Faithful Pilot	SK William Weich
Faithful Comptroller	SK Lawrence Novak
Faithful Purser	SK Gerard Pepin
Faithful Scribe	SK Gregory Skorupski
Faithful Inside Sentinel	SK Brian Mahoney
Faithful Outside Sentinel	SK George Billy
Three Year Trustee	SK David Todd, PFN

The floor will be opened for additional nominations from the floor.

The Nominating Committee  
PFN Marion Kuhlmann  
PFN Timothy Donovan  
PFN Richard Owen  
PFN David Todd, Chairman



**SK'S MAY BIRTHDAYS  
(PFN'S in BOLD)**

5/01 Peter Walsh	5/14 Dennis Dila
5/04 Thomas Poinatowski	5/15 Lawrence Cirignano
5/04 Geoffrey Smith	5/15 Robert Davis
5/05 Thomas LaViolette	5/15 Rev. Jerry Wooton
5/06 Carl Castle	5/16 <b>Carl Kaczmarek,</b>
5/07 Stan Maypooy	5/16 John Pollin
5/08 Edward Bannon	5/17 Matthew Wheeler
5/09 Jorge Rodriguez	5/17 Patrick Leffas
5/10 Robert Zielinski	5/19 David Plummer
5/10 Edgardo Gamallo	5/20 Richard Huzil
5/11 Rev. Robert Avella	5/22 Joseph Schiavone
5/12 James Jagielski	5/23 Donald Hansen
5/13 Kurt Meinsen	5/28 William Brill, HLM
5/14 Michael Murphy	5/30 John J. Kelly

**In Memoriam**

Worthy Sir Knights who died during the month of May

5/01/1984 SK James W. Tisdale    5/26/2003 SK Richard Chapman  
5/18/1990 SK Isidro T. Reyes

**Newsletter Editor Needed**

The Assembly is in need of someone to assume the responsibility of editing and publishing the Navigators Log. It is not a time consuming position but is an important position in the Assembly. Please call the Worthy Captain, Tom Kelley at (703) 385-2819.



## Worthy Sir Knights

During the month of May we celebrate two significant days on the calendar – Mother's Day and Memorial Day. For this month's Pilot's Portal, I will share with you some of the history of Mother's Day and Memorial Day how they came into being. The earliest celebrations can be traced back to ancient Greece in the 1600's to honor Rhea, the mother of the Gods. England is also known to have begun celebrating "Mothering Sundays" on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent in honor the mother's of England. It was during this time in England that most of England's poor were servants for the wealthy and live in their homes. On 'Mothering Sunday, the servants were allowed to return to their homes and spend the day with their families.

In the United States, the first suggestion for a day to recognize Mothers came in 1872 by Julia Ward Howe, who wrote the words to the Battle Hymn of the Republic, to celebrate a day of peace. She began holding organized meetings for Mother's Day every year in Boston, Massachusetts. In 1907, Ann Jarvis began her campaign for the establishment of a national Mother's Day celebration. Ms. Jarvis persuaded her mother's church in Grafton, West Virginia to celebrate Mother's day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of her mother's death which happened to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in May. The very next year Mother's Day was celebrated in Philadelphia. Ms. Jarvis along with her supporters then continued their quest for a national Mother's Day by writing to ministers, businessman, and politicians. Their dream became a reality in 1911 as nearly every state celebrated Mother's Day. Finally, in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson officially announced the establishment of Mother's Day, a national holiday, to be celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of May. Other also countries celebrate Mother's Day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of May including Denmark, Italy, Finland, Belgium, Australia, and Turkey while other countries celebrate their own tradition of Mother's Day at different times during the year.

During May, we will be celebrating another national holiday, Memorial Day, to remember those who gave their lives for our freedom. Memorial Day There are many stories as to how Memorial Day came about. However, Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on May 5, 1868 by General John Logan, national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was first observed on May 30, 1868. On this date, flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. New York was the first state to recognize Memorial Day in 1873 and by 1890 Memorial Day was celebrated by all of the northern states. Southern states refused to recognize Memorial Day until after World War I. In 1971, Congress established Memorial Day as a national holiday celebrated on the last Monday in May. Some Southern states, while, observing Memorial Day, also have a separate day to honor their Confederate war dead.

In closing, I ask for your prayers for our State Chaplain, Fr. Edward Richardson, PFN Ray Evon, our men and women defending our country and our freedom, and all of those men and women in military service who have died for our freedom.

Vivat Jesus!

William Weich  
Fiathful Pilot



## The Commanders Corner

SK George Billy

Welcome to the Commander's Corner.

I'd like to thank those participating in the Color Corps events this past month. A special thank you to the members that attended the Confirmation Masses at Holy Spirit for St. Raymond's and at St. Mary of Sorrows. I really enjoy attending the Confirmations because there's usually a message the bishop gives in his homily that can help us improve our lives. For both of these confirmations the confirming bishop was Bishop Bennett who was visiting the Arlington diocese from Jamaica. He delivered an inspirational homily to the confirmande and those present. I'll paraphrase a portion of his homily that really struck home with me. The Bishop confessed that he was a fan of Harry Potter books although he had not seen any of the movies. He then recounted a scene in one of the books where one character was talking to another about how we would be remembered when we're gone. It went something like this: "We are not the sum total of our talents and abilities, but rather we are the sum total of our choices – so choose wisely!" Isn't that a beautiful message to share with these young people and for us also!

Some of the upcoming events I'm aware of are:

5/13 6:30 p.m. Fr. Gould's 25th anniversary Mass at St. Lawrence

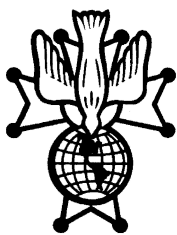
5/19 6:30 p.m. Memorial Mass at St. Mary's

5/21 4:30 p.m. Military Archdiocese Mass at the Shrine

Please plan on arriving early to have adequate time to don your regalia and receive any special instructions. I can provide regalia if you don't have your own. Please check the Assembly's web site for updates; and if you want to be informed of the Color Corps events please make sure you sign up to the list server on the site.

Thanks again for your support; and if you haven't had a chance to participate in an event this year, please consider choosing to participate in one. (It's a wise choice!)

Fraternally yours — George Billy



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