



The S.S. Richardson

"Building Bridges With All People"

November 2009

Father Edward L. Richardson SMA Assembly No. 3174

Navigator's Log

By the time you read this newsletter our Assembly will have grown to over 70 strong! I wish to welcome two, new Fourth Degree members to our Assembly – SK Peter Ingerick and SK Ivan Sarac who took their Exemplification on Saturday, October 24th. Please make sure you introduce yourselves to them at the first opportunity. We have also had a number of transferees join our ranks and I will ask the Comptroller to start including their names in our Newsletter. Keep up the good work.

While our Assembly is growing in numbers I am very concerned at our meager participation in various events to which we have been invited. Many of you have been members of the Fourth Degree for some time and know that participation in events is a critical part of an assembly's character.

In September we had several SKs turn out for the opening ceremony at the Holy Family Fun Festival and I was the sole representative of our Assembly at the Eucharistic Congress held at the Shrine. Last month only one member volunteered to participate in the Honor Guard for the Arlington Diocese's Pilgrimage to the Shrine and we had six at the Columbus Day Ceremony at Union Station. I believe we can do better.

As you are aware there are more events coming up and I want to let you know that your help is needed! For those wanting to participate but lack

regalia please remember that the Assembly has two sets of regalia that can be used.

Gentlemen, if this Assembly is to grow and remain healthy we need your help. Please get involved! We do not have programs such as a Council does that keeps them very busy but, because we are new, we need to exert a little "extra effort" to get us on our feet. So please contact our Faithful Captain or myself and offer your time, your services and whatever else you may have that will benefit the Assembly.

In my first article I mentioned fund raising. Many ideas have been brought up and in order to better manage this task SKs Steve Macejka and Carl Birchard volunteered to be the fund raising committee for the Assembly. So if you have any ideas for fund raising please get these ideas to Steve or Carl.

Don't forget to order your nametag and any other Fourth Degree items you may want from SK Bob Weiss. Please see his article in this newsletter.

Also, I still have some Fr. Richardson rosary cards for sale. If you want one please let me know.

Vivat Jesu!

Fraternally,

Robert A. Rouleau

Faithful Navigator

From the Captain's Cabin

Money! Something our Assembly will need to foster growth and community development.

From October through December, our Assembly will be participating or have participated in a Columbus Day ceremony, the 4th Degree Exemplification, the Manassas Veterans Day Parade and two Christmas parades. And though our time is more valuable than money, we need your help to develop ideas for fundraisers to support these and future activities. Seriously consider your talents and your experience with other fundraisers and bring them to my attention. Two of your brothers will be presenting ideas for our consideration for this and future fraternal years at the business meeting.

To have your ideas heard, take an active role in our meetings and dedicate yourself to participate with your brothers in one or more color guard events each year to see for yourself what our Assembly needs to prosper and grow. An alternative discussed at our inaugural business meeting in May 2009 is to make your own charitable contribution to the Assembly to assist with our start-up expenses such as a banner, or a flag, and/or extra color guard regalia.

Call me at (703) 580-8660 or email me at bryanr@excaliburgrpllc.com if you need further information or wish to share your ideas.

In God We Trust.

Fr. Richardson Assembly Color Corps Marching in First Veterans Day Parade in Manassas

Fr. Richardson Assembly Color Corps has been accepted as a marching unit in the inaugural Manassas Veterans Day Parade on Saturday, November 7, 2009.

This parade, which will follow the same route as the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, is scheduled to start at 11 AM and will last about 1 hour.

This year the parade is honoring all WWII Veterans, and a number of WWII veterans from the Manassas area have been invited to participate. The Grand Marshal is WWII Veteran, Buz Albright.

Bishop Flaherty is the host Assembly for this event. We will gather at George Brent Council home behind All Saints Church on Stonewall Road at 0900 and car pool to the parade formation area about 1000. For more information see the parade website at <http://www.manassasveteransparade.org/>

Coming Soon

"Watch this space! The Faithful Friar's Message will appear in the SS Richardson beginning with the first issue of the New Year."

FRATERNAL SUPPLIES

Any assembly member interested in purchasing a shirt, jacket, nametag or other type of Knights of Columbus item, please contact Bob Weiss via email at b1weiss@comcast.net. All charter members can order these items with "Charter Member" included. All Items can be ordered and paid upon receipt.

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FR. Richardson Assembly Color Corps Events

Nov. 7	Veterans Day Parade	Manassas
Nov. 14	Lake Ridge Parade	Lake Ridge
Dec. 5	Christmas Parade	Manassas

Any Sir Knight interested in participating in any of these events should contact the Commander, George Darnell at darnellgd@comcast.net or (703) 791-5153.