



The S.S. Richardson

"Building Bridges With All People"

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Father Edward L. Richardson SMA Assembly No. 3174

Navigator's Log

Welcome to the inaugural issue of our new Assembly's newsletter, The S.S. Richardson. At this time we plan on publishing a newsletter every other month. Later, if and when the information requires it we will publish the newsletter more frequently.

I am excited about this new Assembly. We've only been established for a few months and we're still learning how to "get up on our own two feet" and be a productive unit. Our membership keeps growing and that is very good. Now we need to get involved and do the things that Fourth Degree Assemblies do to help their communities. We have to get involved in activities at our Churches as well. Patriotism is the principle of the Fourth Degree so we need to get out there and show everyone that we live up to our principles. There are a number of events coming up here and in neighboring communities that require Honor Guards or the Color Corps participation. The Commander will list these events elsewhere in this newsletter. It is my hope that as many of you as possible will volunteer for these events and make our namesake proud of his men.

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Installation of Officers



**Charter Officers
of
Father Edward L. Richardson SMA Assembly 3174**

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At some point in the near future we will have to begin fund raising so that we can buy the items we need like flags, a banner and miscellaneous other items. To do this we will need your cooperation. We plan to have a once-a-year fund raising event so that you will not be tasked over and over again to sell something. We have some ideas but gladly invite you to submit yours.

I look forward to working with all of you in making Fr. Richardson proud of this Assembly. Please take

a good look at the sub-title of our newsletter. It is a variation of the words Fr. Richardson passed on in his bio and it identifies what I would like the members of this Assembly to do. So let's go out and build those bridges and show everyone why we can proudly call ourselves members of the Knights of Columbus!

Fraternally,

Faithful Navigator

Robert A. Rouleau

From The Captain's Cabin

Ask yourself "why am I a Knight?"

You'll find everyone has different answers, but at the same time, common goals. We belong to a fraternity of Catholic gentlemen who are bound by our common faith who wish to perform acts of charity within our community. In that light, we have chosen to form a new Assembly within our Catholic community and our goals are limitless. Apply your enthusiasm, your energy, and your knowledge of our order to the patriotic activities of our Assembly has chosen. Come prepared to be a visible arm of our order to demonstrate to others within our Catholic community that the ideals our forefathers developed over 100 years ago, apply today and tomorrow.

Our ranks are growing and it is not surprising. In a few short months, we have over 65 members because of the support and guidance from our Faithful Master, Richie Head, and from the members of the John Paul I Council who have demonstrated by their acts and words, their commitment to bring all of us together as a fraternity, because once unified, we will perform admirably to promote the Knights of Columbus. We are all ambassadors of our faith and our order; demonstrate it in everything you do in your home, your church, your friendships, your work, and your councils.

Our activities are slowly growing by the list of color guard activities provided by our Faithful Commander. Commit yourself to participate in at least two color guard events each year (that's why we chose to form an Assembly). The Exemplification is on October 24 at the Kroger Center in Richmond. Your Faithful Navigator and Faithful Captain will be there to support the new Members of our order. Call or email if you would like to carpool down for the event.

God Bless my brother Knights. Vivat Jesus.

Bryan Roberts, PGK

Faithful Captain

"From The Commander"

Fr. Richardson Assembly Color Corps Events

Date	Time	Place	Event	Comments
3-Sep	6:15 PM	Basilica in DC	FR. Capadano Mass	Crypt Church - no swords
11-Sep	6:00 PM	Holy Family Church	Fun Festival Opening	With Scouts
11-Sep	4:30 PM	Basilica in DC	Eucharistic Congress	Opening Mass - no swords
12-Sep	9:00 AM - 4:15 PM	Basilica in DC	Eucharistic Congress	Rotating Duty for Exposition - No Swords
12-Sep	9:00 AM - 4:15 PM	Basilica in DC	Eucharistic Congress	Rotating Honor Guard for Tilma - No Swords
12-Sep	4:00 PM	Basilica in DC	Eucharistic Congress	Closing Mass - no swords
10-Oct	9:00 AM	St. John's Front Royal	Festival of Leaves Parade	Parade is at 10:00 AM
12-Oct	TBA	Union Station	Columbus Day Celebration	Street Parking Available - Car Pool from JP1
7-Nov	TBA	Manassas	Veterans Day Parade	Flaherty Assembly working with American Legion
14-Nov	TBA	Lake Ridge	Lake Ridge Parade	Kelley Assembly Hosting
5-Dec	9:00 AM	Manassas	Christmas Parade	Flaherty Assembly Hosting at Brent Council Home

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.

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.



Father Kelley Assembly FN Patrick Birello Presents
Commander's Regalia to FN Bob Rouleau