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Fr. Thomas A. Casey Assembly 3596
Fairfax Station, VA
Navigator's Log - July 2023

Sir Knights,

I am honored to serve as your Faithful Navigator for the 2023-2024 fraternal year. I thank Dave Sharp for his service as our Faithful Navigator during the last fraternal year, and hope to continue growing on the foundation set forth by him and his predecessors. I further thank all Sir Knights who have contributed to the Assembly's success. Special acknowledgement goes to SK Bob Portland, Jr., who was selected as Sir Knight of the Year.

Looking forward, I am writing to you with some news and notes about the Assembly for both the current year and the immediate future.

2023-2024 Officers

Congratulations to the following Sir Knights, who have been elected (or appointed, as it were) Officers for the 2023-2024 Fraternal Year:

Faithful Navigator SK John Morgan, PGK
Faithful Friar Very Rev. SK James Barkett
Faithful Captain SK W. Anthony Vanderbeek, PGK
Faithful Pilot SK Tim Beck, PGK
Faithful Scribe SK Thomas Komara
Faithful Comptroller SK Joseph Osborne
Faithful Purser SK Hank Chalkley
Faithful Inner Sentinel SK Douglas Fraser
Faithful Outer Sentinel SK Ronald Martel

Faithful Admiral SK David Sharp, PGK, PFN
Faithful 3-Year Trustee SK Donald Mailki, PFN
Faithful 2-Year Trustee SK Stephen Bucher, FDD, PFN, PGK
Faithful 1- Year Trustee SK James Cella, PFN, PGK
Color Corps Commander SK Bob Portland, Jr.

Officer Installation

We will be having our Officer Installation jointly with Fr. Malloy Assembly 1894 this year. The Assembly will be held on Wednesday, July 19. We will meet at St. Leo's Catholic Church, located at 3700 Blenheim Boulevard, Fairfax, VA 22030. The Installation will begin with the Rosary at 7:15pm. A meal will be provided, and wives are invited as well. **If you are an Officer, please either go to the Installation or let me know that you won't be able to make it, and find a substitute Sir Knight to be a stand-in for you.**

Also, if you served as an Officer during the 2022-2023 year and will not be serving in the same role this year, please return your jewel of office if you haven't already done so. I ask that you bring it to me or to the **Faithful Pilot SK Tim Beck** no later than our next Assembly meeting.

City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade

We have also been invited to join Fr. Malloy Assembly for the City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade, which takes place this Tuesday, July 4. The parade will begin promptly at 10:00am. Participants are to meet in ORD or Social Dress Uniform between 7:30 and 8:00am at Providence Hall, located behind the church building at St. Leo's. **If you will be participating, please contact me by email (navigator@assembly3596.org) as soon as possible.**

July Assembly Meeting

Please join us for our next Assembly meeting on Tuesday, July 11 at Old St. Mary's Hall. As usual, we will be starting with a meal at 7:00pm, Rosary at 7:30pm, and the meeting itself will begin at 8:00pm (to the second!). I invite all Officers to dress down a bit rather than wear a coat and tie.

Fall 2023 Exemplification

Finally, a note about recruiting. We are fortunate in that we have several 3rd Degree Knights who have applied and been approved for membership in the 4th Degree. I invite them, and any other interested 3rd Degree members, to attend the next Virginia 4th Degree Exemplification this fall in Newport News. Importantly, the date for the Exemplification changed this past week; it will now take place on **Saturday, September 30**. If someone you know is interested, please let me or **Faithful Admiral SK Dave Sharp** know.

Again, it is my honor to serve.

Fraternally,



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