



SPALDING ASSEMBLY 0206 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NOVEMBER, 2008

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ON COURSE..SIR KNIGHT RONALD SWOLLEY



It's that time again . . . When the free citizens of our great country go to the polls to elect the person we intend to complain about for the next four years . . . minus a month or two. Just kidding, of course, but it is the time to evaluate the candidates and select those that best reflect our values and beliefs through our votes. Whoever is elected, let's pray that our nation will be led with honor and integrity.

Also, coming up fast is Thanksgiving. I've always thought of Thanksgiving as one of my very favorite holidays. There's a lot less commercialism associated with this holiday and a great deal more emphasis on faith and family. The days just seem that much more refreshing as the weather changes from the balmy days of summer to the chilly days of winter. Here's my hope that for each of you and for your families, this Thanksgiving will find you in good health and with many blessings for which to give thanks. Isaiah 12:4 says it will, *"In that day you will say: 'Give thanks to the LORD, call on His name; make known among the nations what He has done, and proclaim that His name is exalted.'"*

It used to be that Thanksgiving was really the start of the Christmas season, when the migration of steel monsters started their rubber-tired trek to stores and shopping malls. I know that the shopping season seems to start as early as July and August anymore . . . but, for me, Thanksgiving is still the kickoff. I wonder what John the Baptist would have thought- -that "preparing the way of the Lord" has become ordering the latest Nintendo Game or picking out garlands for an artificial tree. Hopefully, we can keep our focus on Jesus as His time approaches, and that this season will truly be one blessed with peace and joy for all of us.

If you happen to be out on North University in Peoria, near Pioneer Park, you might look up. A "Vote Pro-Life" billboard should be up by now. The cost was donated by a family wanting to stay anonymous, so they asked if they could credit the billboard to the Knights of Columbus Spalding Assembly. The same family donated a similar billboard in East Peoria on behalf of the Fr. Raho Council in Morton. God bless that family!

Vivat Jesus
Ron Swolley, Faith Navigator

NOTICE!!

November Business Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of Spalding Assembly 0206, 4th Degree Knights of Columbus will be Wednesday, November 12, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Radnor Road in Peoria.

If anyone wants to bring a snack to share, please feel free to do so!!

MARCHING ORDERS

HONOR GUARDS FOR NOVEMBER



Saturday - November 1 - All Saints Day Mass at Resurrection Mausoleum - 10:30 a.m.
Dress at 10:00 p.m.

Monday - November 3 - Memorial Mass at St. Mary's at Metamora - 6:30 p.m.
Dress at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday - November 5 - Confirmation at St. Vincent DePaul, Peoria - 7:00 p.m.
Dress at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday - November 11 - Veterans Day Parade, Peoria - 10:00 a.m.
Set-up at 8:30 a.m. - Meet at the Fire Station on Monroe Street

Wednesday - November 11 - Memorial Mass at St. Joseph's, Roanoke - 6:00 p.m.
Dress at 5:30 p.m.
Dinner will be provided afterwards

Saturday - November 15 - Confirmation at St. Mary's in Henry - 5:30 p.m.
Dress at 5:00 p.m.
Reception following the Confirmation

Sunday - November 16 - Memorial Mass at St. Monica's in East Peoria - 8:30 a.m.
Dress at 7:00 a.m.

Wednesday - November 19 - Memorial Mass at St. Mary of the Woods in Princeville - 7:00 p.m.
Dress at 6:30 p.m.

Friday - November 21 - Dedication at Immaculate Conception in Lacon - 5:00 p.m.
Dress at 4:30 p.m.
Dinner to follow - All Knights are invited.

Saturday - November 22 - Harvest Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, Peoria - 10:30 a.m.
Dress at 9:45 a.m.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone as we all head into the Holiday Season. I am grateful during this season for all of you who have participated in the Honor Guards so far this year as well as for your continued involvement. This month is the month for the Knights of Columbus Memorial Masses.

P.S. My mom wanted to be sure to say thank you to all of the Knights for their prayers and the card that was sent.

Sir Knight Bakhos Alwan, Faithful Captain

DUES ARE PAST DUE!!

2008 DUES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15.00 ARE NOW SERIOUSLY PASTDUE AND ARE IMMEDIATELY PAYABLE. THOSE OF YOU IN ARREARS ARE FACING IMMINENT REMOVAL FROM THE ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP ROLLS. SEND DUES TO:

**SK TOM EATON
211 EAST CRESTWOOD STREET
MORTON, IL 61550**

November Dinner



WHEN: Sunday, November 9, 2008

WHERE:

Knights of Columbus Hall
616 West David Street
Morton, Illinois



TIME:

Cocktails: 5:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6:00 p.m.

MENU: Roast Beef
Parsley Potatoes
Normandy Blend Vegetables
Caesar Salad
Pecan Cake



COST:
\$16.00
per person

RESERVATIONS:

Make Reservations by November 3rd

Call: Robert Hovland, 263-8272 or e-mail: srholand@verizon.net

Or Call Ron Swolley, 266-5615

FROM THE EDITOR:

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES:

All newsletter articles from the officers or other Sir Knights need to be received by the newsletter editor no later than the 25th of the month for publication in the next month's newsletter.

HAVE YOUR EVER LOST YOUR NEWSLETTER (OR DID NOT RECEIVE ONE):

The 4th Degree Newsletter is on the web. Go to the Spalding Council web-site - - - (www.kofcspalding.com), and click on the 4th Degree pages. The monthly newsletter is usually on the web-site before you get yours by mail, thanks to the web-master, Paul Sullivan.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES?

For several months, a few Sir Knights have been receiving their newsletter by e-mail. If you have e-mail, and would like to receive the newsletter in this manner, please send me an e-mail and let me know your address. My e-mail address is: janeandtom@verizon.net

If you decide you want to receive the newsletter by e-mail, please be advised that when it is sent it will show that it is coming from Jane Martin.

ALERT! ALERT! ALERT!

ATTENTION to all attendees at the Meismer Farm Picnic on labor Day: Everyone in attendance who brought a collapsible Red Canvas lawn chair ina red “carry-bag”, please open the bag and check the chair. Someone inadvertently picked up Ken Kerker’s bag and chair. He now has someone else’s red bag and chair and his St. Louis Cardinals’ chair is with someone else. Please, everyone check their chairs - - - Ken has suffered enough grief just being a Cardinals’ fan, but to continue without his Cardinals’ chair is just asking too much!!

DEFINITION OF EXCELLENCE

“Caring more than others think is wise,
Dreaming more than other think is practical,
And expecting more than others think is possible.”

Source Unknown

