



# THE BANNER

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## *Navigator's Log*

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! SEASON GREETINGS! MERRY XMAS! HAPPY HANUKKAH! HAPPY EID! HAPPY KWANZA! What has happened to what this season is all about, the birth of Jesus. Stores are afraid of offending someone, we must be politically correct. You can celebrate all of the above except don't mention Jesus or Christmas or Christian. Here we are in a country that is over 75% Christian and we cannot mention why or who. Our schools cannot have a Christmas, they call it a holiday tree, stores say Happy Holidays instead of Merry Christmas and Christmas is hardly mentioned. We decorate our homes with lights and a tree but where is the manger and the Christ child? We all should make every effort to bring this season back to what it originally was, Christmas, the birth of Jesus. Do not be afraid to say Merry Christmas to everyone. I have some Moslem clients and they even put up Christmas decorations and will say Merry Christmas to their customers, why can't we do the same. So to all our Sir Knights and their ladies and families. We the officers of our assembly wish you a very MERRY, MERRY, CHRIST-MASS and a Happy, Holy and Prosperous New Year.

Join us at our meeting on December 13th for some fine food and fellowship. The meeting will be short as usual but the camaraderie will be long.

JOHN F. THABET  
FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR

**MEETING  
SCHEDULED  
FOR DECEMBER 13**

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## *Captain's Corner*

Sir Knights,

We all just had our thanksgiving and we all had a lot to be thankful for. We all know that thanksgiving is a day to give thanks for all our blessings. We now look forward to Christmas and I would like for all of us to pray for our troops who are not home with family. Pray for our troops who are in dangerous places. Pray for our troops who help and comfort. Pray for the families that watch and pray. Pray our leaders in Washington D.C. that God may give them a solution to end the wars.

I have been told there are four great periods in the life of a man; the first period is the one where he believes in Santa Claus, the second period is the one where he no longer believes in Santa Claus, the third period is the one where he is Santa Claus, and finally the fourth period is the one where he looks more and more like Santa Claus.

We wish you and your family a Holy and Merry Christmas.



**Vivat Jesus**

*Faithful Captain*

*Nieves Gonzales, PCJ*

# Ladies Badge Prototype

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### *Faithful Comptroller's Ledger*

Dues are coming. Please pay on time to avoid mailing costs to the Assembly.



*Brian Nelson, PCJ*  
*Faithful Comptroller*





Dan Robles becomes a Knight of Council 7613 on November 13. Congratulations.

Sgt Robles will now become a liaison between BAMC and our Council and Assembly.

## EXEMPLIFICATIONS



*TBA*

The Fourth Degree is the highest and most prestigious degree within the Knights of Columbus. The primary purpose of your membership is to foster the spirit of patriotism in members and the community at large and encourage active Catholic citizenship.

As a Fourth Degree Knight you have the opportunity to become part of your assembly's color corps. As a color corps member, you will be recognized widely by the distinctive attire of tuxedo, feathered hat (chapeau), cape and sword.

## GUIDELINES FOR COLOR CORPS FOURTH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### PROCESSION

The Color Corps precedes the liturgical procession to form an honor guard in the center aisle.

1. It is recommended that an instrumental prelude accompany the entrance of the Knights.
2. The liturgical procession then passes through the honor guard.

The Color Corps closes ranks behind the liturgical procession and proceeds to their reserved pews at the rear of the Church.

### COMMUNION

The Knights do not function as a Color Corps during the celebration of the Eucharist, but join the assembly in that “full, conscious, and active participation demanded by the very nature of the liturgy.” (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, #14.)

1. The Color Corps will be the last to receive Communion at the front and center of the liturgical assembly.
2. So that the Knights might have the option of receiving Communion in the hand and from the cup as well, if they wish, it is recommended that they approach Communion without gloves and chapeau. (“Holy Communion has a more complete form as a sign when it is received under both kinds.” General Instruction on the Roman Missal, #240.)

### RECESSION

Following the response to the dismissal of the assembly, “Thanks be to God,” the Color Corps forms an honor guard for the recession.

1. Weather permitting, the Knights proceed directly to the outside of the main entrance where this formation takes place.
2. Weather not permitting, the Knights form an honor guard in the center aisle, closing ranks behind the liturgical procession and following it out of the church.



The second Prototype has finally arrived after much waiting. This is the badge you can purchase for your special “Lady”. It can also be purchased with only the Council jewel in place. The cost is about \$17 depending on how many get ordered.

To make sure that everyone is on the same page, Jan Williams is taking orders now. She had a few names before and received some more at the Christmas Party. If you have indicated in the past you wanted one, PLEASE reconfirm your order and let Jan know.

She can be reached at [tvteeth@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tvteeth@sbcglobal.net) or at work at [janet.williams@utsa.edu](mailto:janet.williams@utsa.edu)

You can also send an email to Don Williams at [dwilliams@stmarkevangelist.com](mailto:dwilliams@stmarkevangelist.com)

If you would like to see it in person, Jan will be wearing it to church at the 10am Mass. Remember Corporate Communion on December 30th.

We would like to place an order by the end of the year. The Council newsletter will have an article in the January issue for a badge with only the Council number on it. Only 4th degree Knights and their wives will be able to order this beautiful badge. Plans are in the works for a possibility of a ladies auxiliary for our Council/Assembly and the name badges will be an important part of that. Even if that never materializes, the badge is still an important visual sign of the support our wives have for us.

GET YOUR ORDER IN NOW.

## Websites

**KC Council #7613**  
[www.kofc7613.org](http://www.kofc7613.org)  
**ASA Chapter**  
[www.satkc.org](http://www.satkc.org).

**State Council**  
[www.tkofc.org](http://www.tkofc.org)  
**Supreme Council**  
[www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please remember our Brother Sir Knights and Family Members in your daily Prayers. If you know of a Brother Sir Knight or Family Member sick or in distress, Please call the Faithful Navigator or Faithful comptroller right away.

Brother Sir Knights

Family Members

Deceased Brother Sir Knights

Deceased Family Members

The officer directory is for Official Assembly business and not intended for public release

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## Schedule of Events

### ASSEMBLY 3018

#### December

<i>Dec 8</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Knights Christmas Party</i>
<i>Dec 13</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Assembly Membership Meeting</i>
<i>Dec 30</i>	<i>10:00 AM</i>	<i>Council Corporate Communion</i>
<i>Dec 31</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>New Year's Eve Party (child care available, call Don Williams)</i>

#### January

<i>January 10</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Assembly Membership Meeting</i>
<i>January 19</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>Wine Tasting Event</i>