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Navigator's Log

Sir Knights,



February 6th, 2008, where did January go to? Time seems to fly by and as my wonderful 90 year old mother-in-law says "the older you get the faster time goes".

Recent events in my life makes me think of how precious time is and gives me the desire to share more fully myself and what I have. We all know that in life there are only two things that are certain, DEATH and TAXES. We do have some control over both of these but the one belongs to Caesar and the other to God. What I am trying to say here is that we need to make this Assembly grow and prosper, not in money, but in the good works we can do and the encouragement of Patriotism that seems so lost on many of our candidates for public office and on the American people as a whole. We had a fine meeting in January and as a result we will have more participation in our Assembly and a large group of new Sir Knights. We will have at least 15 new members at the Exemplification at the end of the month and we will encourage them to become active and to consider running for office at our elections in June. Lets continue to work and look for a new project for our Assembly and that everyone acquire their full regalia and participate. Starting in March we will start rotating the meeting between St. Mark and Holy Trinity and eventually to include St. Padre Pio. We also will try to provide some type of food and refreshments at all meetings.

I wanted to pass on something that was told to me by a wife of one our Sir Knights. This lady had a pain in her neck (no, not her husband) and she just cold not seem to find any relief. She told me that she took the medal that had the relic of our namesake, St. Rafael and touched it to her neck and the pain went away. I told her that she needs to wear the medal around her neck but her husband will not give it up. I am going to try to acquire more of these medals and will let you know if I am successful.

Your Faithful Navigator

Sir Knight John F. Thabet

Captain's Corner

Sir Knights,



I regret missing last month's important meeting. It was an important meeting since it was going decide the future of our assembly. The reason I did not attend the meeting is because I was asked to be in last month's Men's Acts retreat team which started the day of our meeting. When I was asked to be on team I did not hesitate I accepted right away. I felt that the Lord was asking me to help do His work. I have been on team once before besides attending my first retreat which I resisted very hard for four years. I had so much fun being on team for the Men's Acts retreat. If you have attended you know what I mean and if you have not attended you do not know what you are missing. Since high school I have attended many retreats, but this Men's Acts retreat if very different and I highly recommend. As for our assembly's future I prayed and left on our Lord's hands.

Viva Jesus

Faithful Captain

Nieves Gonzalez III, PGK

**NEXT MEETING,
THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 14**