

# Father Patrick J Ryan Assembly - 1084

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## Faithful Navigator's Report

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## Navigator's Notes

### Sir Knights,

As 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights we have a responsibility to add to our numbers. The way we do this is to "Invite A Knight" to our Exemplification on May 16. Our Honoree will be our new Bishop Stika. We all know a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Knight who hasn't made the commitment to join the "The Strong Right Arm" of the Knights in our Patriotic endeavors.

In addition to recruiting, we need Guards and Observers for the Exemplifications and attendees to our Mass and Banquet that evening. Chef Sir Knight Steve Reker has promised a gourmet meal at a fair price (just \$20). Because of past situations we have had to make a change to the Banquet pricing. Advanced tickets or commitments for the Banquet will be \$20 by May 11. Tickets or reservations after May 11<sup>th</sup> will be \$30 per person, so please respond to our Faithful Pilot's Requests and Send your money to our Faithful comptroller Rob Sentell soon. We promise you a night of good food, fun, and fraternity with your Brother Knights and Families.

We still have quite a few Brothers who have not paid their fraternal dues for this year. We have kept it affordable at \$12/yr. If a financial situation has kept you from paying this, please let us know, so we can make arrangements. We don't want to exclude anyone who wants to participate and can't pay based on other financial commitments. We understand that Family comes first.

We appreciate all who attend our Corporate Communion, whether it is in Tux and Social Baldric or Full Regalia. Either way you are making a contribution to our cause.

As you will see in the Faithful Pilot's schedule, our Social will be at the Home Plate Restaurant on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Our Corporate Communion will be on the 19<sup>th</sup> at St Augustine on Signal Mountain at 10:30 Mass. Please plan to attend so that we can show our support for the new Council as well as for Father Patrick Brownell. As many of you know he is an Army Chaplain and returned from Iraq not too long ago.

Our annual Armed Forces Day Parade will be held on Friday May 1<sup>st</sup> in Chattanooga. We will be joined by our Sister Assembly (or should I say Brother Assembly) from North Georgia. We need a good attendance so that we can show Chattanooga our commitment to Patriotic endeavors.

As we reach the close of the Fraternal Year, I want to thank all of you for your support and participation. Please Check the Faithful Pilot's Schedule for times and locations. Please be assured that I am always available to discuss issues with members. You can contact me by email at [rbuske1@comcast.net](mailto:rbuske1@comcast.net) or call me at 423-593-4356. Please help make the remainder of this year great by your increased participation and communication.

Vivat Jesus,  
Richard Buske Faithful Navigator

## Captain's Corner

Good day Worthy Sirs: The major event for the month of March was the installation of our new Bishop. There were somewhere near eighty Worthy Sirs present for his Honor Guard and Assembly 1084 was well represented.

Since the installation was scheduled for 19 March – the feast of St. Joseph. It was also on the third Thursday of March, which required that we moved our regular meeting to accommodate the event in Knoxville. Seventeen worthy sirs attended the meeting the 610 Council Hall. Brother Ed Szelengiewicz and I shared the letters we received from the soldiers to whom we sent our support packages. A poll of the brother Knights present uncovered that there had been five support packages sent to date – with another due to be ready for mailing soon.

If you have sent a package and have received a letter of thanks, please share that letter with Brother Wayne Collins. He is collecting all the information regarding the packages for a report to Supreme.

Three more soldier names were selected by Brothers who had not yet had the opportunity to do so. To all who have not yet sent a package, please do so soon, as the letter I received suggests that the Battery may soon be rotated home (or somewhere). I know the economy makes things difficult, but keep in mind how much more difficult is the situation for our troops far from home and in harm's way. Let's show our compassion for our troops.

Don't forget our social this month – the director of the Medal of Honor Museum will be our speaker following our prayer service at Shepherd of the Valley church in Dunlap. The service is at 5:30 p.m. (CST) followed by dinner at the Home Plate Restaurant.

Please let me know if you will be coming for dinner, so I can let the restaurant know how many to expect. They will have to bring in wait staff based on the number I give them. If we under commit, it could easily result in longer waits for our food.

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## Pilot's Points

Good Day Worthy Sirs, thank you for getting this far into the newsletter, with all the details you have had to absorb so far I fear I am just going to add to your impending headache.

First, I would like to thank the 27 Worthy Sirs who have answered the survey regarding a new Assembly in the Chattanooga area. This however, means that 161 of you have not answered the survey. Let me remind you that our District Master Bill Gunter is waiting for an answer from 1084 and if I do not hear from you via email or a message on my phone, I will have to personally call each of you to get your answer. We are all very busy and I would rather work on our upcoming Exemplification than to call 161 Brothers to get a simple yes or no answer. Please send me your response.

Thank you to those of you who have volunteered to help with the upcoming Exemplification on May 16. The new script has many parts that are more active for the Color Corps and Color Guard and as such, we will be feverishly practicing for the next month in order to give our new Worthy Sir Knights an experience to remember. If you are willing to serve in either capacity (with regalia) please contact me or come to the following practices.

April 8	6099	6:30 PM
April 15	6099	6:30 PM
April 22	St. Jude	6:30 PM
April 29	6099	6:30 PM
May 7	St Stephen	6:30 PM
May 14	St Stephen	6:30 PM
May 15	St Stephen	6:30 PM
May 16	St Stephen	12:00 PM Exemplification

The Exemplification should be on the top of everyone's mind right now, as we all should take an active role. We need Kitchen help, serving help, clean up help, Color Guard and Observers on May 16. Do you remember why you became a Worthy Sir Knight? Do you remember that special feeling when you were knighted? Help us give that same feeling and experience to the next group of Brothers-Get Involved!

Now to repeat the Exemplification details, please keep this for future reference.

Participants arrive at St Stephen PLC, no later than 12:30 PM  
Candidates registration/check-in at St Stephen PLC 12:30 – 1:15 PM  
Exemplification Begins promptly at 1:30 PM  
(Different from previously schedule start-the new script appears to run a little longer)  
Mass at St Stephen Church 5:30 PM  
Dinner at St Stephen PLC 7:00 PM

The cost for a Brother Knight to join and participate in the Exemplification is \$70; and this includes the following:

Registration Fee	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Certificate
4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Lapel Pin	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Social Baldric
American Flag Pin	One (1) Banquet ticket

Additional Banquet tickets for wives, guests and Sir Knights will be \$20.00. Please RSVP by May 11.

Now for the tedious, legal disclaimer part of the Exemplification message. As you know, we continue to have trouble with planning for attendees to our socials and dinners and we have tried a couple different ways to nail down the number of meals we need to prepare or purchase. We will implement the following plan for our upcoming Exemplification dinner. Anyone who RSVPs by May 11, will be added to the attending list and charged \$20.00 per dinner. If you do not attend the Exemplification after you have RSVP'd we will still expect you to pay the \$20.00 per dinner, as the Assembly will have to pay for your meal. If you RSVP after May 11, or show up at the door without a reservation you will be charged \$30.00 per dinner. This is our attempt to get a true number of those attending the dinner and thus allow us to serve you with a hot meal in a timely manner. We are all watching our pennies and we do not want to purchase more food than we need and we certainly do not want to be caught short. We hope you understand our thought process for these deadlines and charges. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact your FN Richard, or FC Marv or me.

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	CHURCH	LOCATION	TIME	
4/16/2009	Social Mtg	Shepherd of the Valley	Home Plate	5:30 PM CDT	
4/19/2009	Corporate Communion	St Augustine	St Augustine	10:30 AM	
5/1/2009	Armed Forces Day Parade	N/A	Chattanooga	10:30 AM	
5/17/2009	Corporate Communion	Our Lady of Lourdes	Our Lady of Lourdes 6099	10:30 AM CDT	walking rosary mass
5/21/2009	Business Mtg	St Stephen		5:30 PM	
5/25/2009	Memorial Day Activities	N/A	National Cemetery	TBD	
6/18/2009	Social Mtg/Installation of Officers	N/A	Camp Columbus	5:30 PM	
6/21/2009	Corporate Communion	St Stephen	St Stephen	11:00 AM	

Please note that all Business meetings and Social meetings start with a Prayer service at 5:30 pm and the Business meetings start at 7:00 pm

Additionally, here is the slate of candidates that has been recommended for the upcoming Fraternal Year. Other nominations can be made from the floor at the business meeting so be sure to attend.

FN-Marv Gabalski

FC-Victor Williams

FComp-Rusty Phillips

FP-Phil Daniel

FPU-Larry Taylor

FS-Wayne Collins

Sentinels-Steve Horten and Ed Klim

Trustees-Eric Pelton, Bill Cornwell, Tom Tidwell