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2013 Annual Investiture, Birmingham, Alabama.

The Lieutenancy convened its annual investiture ceremony in Birmingham, Alabama in May, 2013 which became a memorable occurrence. The Lieutenancy and Section presented a weekend without parallel. Sir Joseph Marino and his staff handled the entire affair with sophistication, reverence, and professionalism. The Archdiocese of Miami Section welcomed clergy knights Reverend Alberto Rodriguez and Reverend Luis Largaespada along with a new knight, Jose Fernandez, KHS, and two ladies; Lilia Fernandez, LHS, and Melba Remior, LHS. Sir John Dietl received the Pilgrim Shell for his pilgrimage to the Holy Land.



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Shrove Tuesday event for the Section

The Honorable Bernard W. Wolff, KC*HS and Lady Delores, LC*HS hosted a Shrove Tuesday event for the Section at Shula's 357 in South Miami in February, 2013. The well-attended evening was a wonderful gathering celebrated by merriment and conversation prior to the more somber and reflective season of Lent. It was an appropriate venue for members of the Order who were not able to visit the Lieutenancy in New Orleans for the more formal and historic Mardi Gras held in the city of New Orleans. Henry (Jack) Pfleger and Lady Jeannie had just returned from the Order's February pilgrimage to the Holy Land where they received the Pilgrim Shell at the Latin Patriarchate. Sir Donn Tilson revealed that he has been named a Fullbright Scholar and will travel to Toronto to spend some of the summer.



Business Meeting in Lauderdale-by-the-Lakes

The Section President convened a business meeting in Lauderdale-by-the-Lakes Saturday evening, June 1, 2013. Members of the Section Council attended Vigil Mass at Assumption Catholic Church where the pastor Reverend Michael Greer, KHS celebrated the beautiful Service. He introduced the Section President after Communion who spoke about the Order. Council members greeted parishioners after Mass and answered any questions posed by the Mass attendees. A dinner meeting ensued at the Sea Watch restaurant nearby. The Section President charged the Delegates, Sir John Dietl and Sir James Kelly, III to make adjustments to their Delegations' geographical areas. Additionally, Sir Thierry Pauquet de Villejust was appointed as the new newsletter editor.



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Appointments

Appointments: Reverend Juan Sosa, KHS, Delegation I Chaplain and Reverend Michael Greer, KHS, Delegation II Chaplain, join previously appointed Monsignor Kenneth Schwanger (Delegation III); Lady Constance Jaen, Hospitaller; Sir Donn Tilson, Historian; Lady Delores Wolff, Mistress of Ceremonies; Sir Thierry Pauquet de Villejust, Newsletter Editor.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Lady Leona Cooper who received the Rotary Club of Coral Gables Citizen of the Year Award. She had a lovely feature in the Miami Herald.

Report on the Annual Investiture

The Section President met with the Section Prior, Archbishop Thomas Wenski, KC*HS and delivered a report on the Annual Investiture Ceremony. Among other issues they also set the date for the next Mary Queen of Palestine Mass which will be held in October. More information will follow!

President's Desk

I have not shied away from the political scene in the past having been a Mayor and a candidate for the Michigan State House of Representatives. However, it always seemed awkward when asked if my religion colored my outlook. Many of us may feel like that. Some respond by saying, "I keep my personal life separate from my business outlook." I might agree with that if I had two brains, but I do not. We are a construct of our entire experience and education. It was, therefore, refreshing to note that Pope Francis encourages us to engage in political discourse. It has been done in the past, but almost apologetically by Catholics. But, with recent government intrusion into our core belief system, it is time to take a stand. We must defend our position, if not in the public venue, then certainly in the private and social aspects of our lives. Look to the Magisterium for guidance.

Obituary

Members of the Order paid their respects and prayed for the soul of Father Gabriel O'Reilly, KHS at a funeral Mass offered at St. David in Davie, Florida at 10:00 A. M., June 15, 2013. Many clergy knights of the Order were present, including celebrant Archbishop Thomas Wenski, KC*HS and Archbishop (Emeritus) John Favalora, KC*HS. Brief nods to Monsignors Terence Hogan, KCHS, and Andrew Anderson, KCHS, and Reverends Michael Greer, KHS, Christopher Marino, KHS, Michael Souckar, KHS, James Quinn, KCHS, and Alberto Rodriguez, KHS. Knights and ladies in attendance were: Sir Bernard Wolff; Lady Delores Wolff; Lady Stephanie Murphy; Sir Jan Dietl; Sir James Kelly, III and, Sir Jose Fernandez. Sir Joseph Terranova and Sir John Mondone officiated as robed funeral guards for the morning.

City of Miami

Several members attended the recent dedication of the City of Miami to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Sir Patrick Range, Sir Jay Dietl, and Sir Bernard Wolff experienced a spiritual uplifting as Archbishop Thomas Wenski, KC*HS celebrated Mass while mayors Gimenez and Regalado, politicians, clergy, and laity offered up their prayers for the city.



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