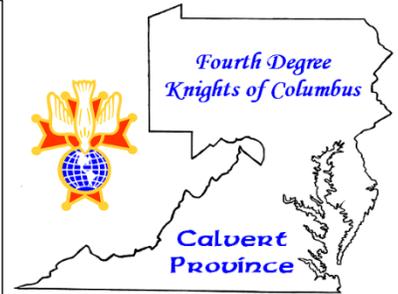


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# Calvert Province Patriot



## Working together Developing Our Fourth/Patriotic Degree

Welcome to the second issue of the Calvert Province Patriot Newsletter. We are now into the Spring Fourth/Patriotic Degree Exemplification season! In mid-March, we had the Maryland District Exemplification where we welcomed 24 new Sir Knights to the Fourth Degree. Unfortunately, due to the Corona Virus mitigation actions, the Archdiocese of Washington District and the Virginia District Exemplifications on April 18<sup>th</sup> have been cancelled. The Pennsylvania East District Exemplification has been rescheduled for June 20, 2020. The Pennsylvania Central District Exemplification on May 30<sup>th</sup>, and the Pennsylvania West Exemplification on June 7<sup>th</sup> are still on the calendar on those dates...we'll keep our fingers crossed! Information on these events can be found on the Calvert Province Web Site or the District Web Sites. These exemplifications are an important part of our development of the Fourth/Patriotic Degree, and each individual Sir Knight has an important role in these events. Not only helping during the execution of the Exemplification, but by each one of you being a recruiter and asking the new Third Degree members, following the Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity, to join us in the Fourth Degree, and then assisting them

to prepare for it. We must push very hard in this area. We need new members to do all the other tasks that we need to do.

The preparation consists of each one of us shepherding these candidates through the paperwork and providing the needed fees for the Exemplification, and then making sure that they get there when and where the event takes place. This is the membership piece of Fourth Degree development. Following this piece comes the conduct of Patriotic Programs. There are many to choose from, such as volunteering at VA facilities, helping our active duty service people, or teaching school children about our flag! Finally, there is the Color Corps. I know that many have decided not to participate in the Color Corps due to the New Official Fourth Degree Uniform. But I'm here to tell you that the decision on the uniform has been made, and we are moving forward. We did not take the pledges that we have as Knights of Columbus and Sir Knights or agree to obey the Laws and Rules of the Order and the Fourth Degree because of what we would wear. And that should not stop any of you from joining our Color Corps! With the price coming down, and other exciting initiatives in the uniform area that you will see later in this newsletter, I hope that you will be encouraged to consider joining or returning to the Color Corps with me. Patriotic Programs, Membership, New Assembly Development – there is a lot for us to do. Please join me as we move forward in the Calvert Province! Remember my mission: To leave Calvert province better than I found it on September 1, 2019, when I leave this assignment.

## **What's going on in Calvert Province?**

### **Archdiocese of Washington District – Father Andrew White Assembly #377**

#### **Flag Education Program**

On 21 February 2020, five members of the FAWA visited St Michael Catholic School in Ridge, MD to conduct a flag education program. Students from the third, fourth and fifth grades attended. We discussed the design and history of our National Flag, the proper methods for displaying the Flag and respect for the Flag. The children joined in with reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and learned how the Knights of Columbus were instrumental in adding the words 'Under God' to the pledge. Three members of the Color Corps demonstrated folding the Flag as another member of the Assembly explained the meaning of each fold. In closing, a Sir Knight read the poem titled "My Name is Old Glory" written by SMSgt. Don S. Miller, USAF (Ret.).

At St Michael School, the fourth grade is responsible for raising and lowering the National flag at the beginning and end of each school day. They demonstrated what they do. We were impressed with the professional skill they exhibited for marching and commands. They quickly learned the technique for folding the Flag after watching us earlier in the program and will make it part of their daily routine.

Before leaving we presented the classes with a copy of the Knights of Columbus United States Flag Manual, a brochure titled 'History of the Flag' and one titled 'Flag Etiquette and FAQ'.



Instruction on the Flag.



Teaching to fold the Flag.



Students practice folding the Flag



Practicing marching to raise the Flag outside school

## **Celebration of the Holy Mass for 2020 All St. Mary's County Catholic Schools during Catholic Schools Week**

On January 22, 2020, Archbishop Wilton Gregory, Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Washington, came to Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Lexington Park, Maryland, and said Mass for school children from every Catholic School in St. Mary's County during Catholic Schools Week.

**Celebration of the Holy Mass for 2020 All-County Mass**



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**January 22, 2020**

Wednesday of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Ordinary Time



# Pennsylvania East District – Celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Cardinal Dougherty Assembly #913 and honoring SK Rick Terroni, IPFN

On February 23, 2020, in Pennsylvania East District, an outstanding dinner/dance event was held to commemorate/celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Cardinal Dougherty Assembly #913, and to honor the assembly’s Immediate Past Faithful Navigator, SK Rick Terroni for the outstanding job that he did as Faithful Navigator last Fraternal Year. The Assembly was recognized, as was Rick, for the great job that the Assembly continually has performed, and under Rick’s outstanding leadership the past year in advancing the Fourth Degree through new membership, Patriotic Programs, and Color Corps support to Liturgical and Community events. A great time was had by all! Here are some photos showing memorabilia and some who were recognized during the festivities.





## **Pennsylvania West District – Presenting Colors at the Opening Ceremony of the Winter Games for the State of Pennsylvania Special Olympics**

Pennsylvania West District under the leadership of District Master SK Michael Lynch, presented the Colors at the Opening Ceremony of the Winter Games for the State of Pennsylvania Special Olympics on February 9, 2020. The State Deputy of Pennsylvania, Knights of Columbus, SK Mark Jago, was present for the event. Thanks to Lady Ann Lynch for the Photos!



### **Uniform News**

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UNIFORM PROGRAM MANAGED BY THE SUPPLY ROOM**

The Supply Room is a small Veteran-owned business located in Oxford, Alabama. We have been in business for over 37 years serving all branches of our armed forces. Most of the Government agencies who started with us 37 years ago are still our largest customers today. The owner of the Company is a Former Army Officer and I am a Retired Navy E9/CWO. Both the owner and I understand specifications, quality control and paying attention to the details. These qualities are what has kept the Supply Room at the top of a highly competitive industry, and it will also serve us well as we work toward building a first-class Knights of Columbus program. We took possession of the existing uniforms during the first two or three days of December. Our first step was to measure every garment to be sure the size label was accurate before we placed it into stock. By doing this timely and costly evaluation and by asking the right questions when the customers place their orders, we have pretty much eliminated the rejects or returns. We are now in the process of dyeing fabric and sewing our products and will have most every product on our shelves in the April/May timeframe.

Here are the actions we have taken to improve each item:

**Blazer** We will have two models of the blazer, the traditional fit and what we are calling our executive fit. Both models will be made from a tried and tested pattern which have been used to make hundreds of thousands of commercial blazers over the years. The fit and style has been battle tested. The Traditional cut is for those who still have a chest and waist in proportion. We will have sizes from 32 XX-Short to 72 X Long, so we can fit most anyone. The Executive cut (Portly) is for those who need a little more coat around the stomach so it can be buttoned. This will allow us to fit you properly over the back and shoulders and still take care of the buttoning issue.

**Trousers** We found the trousers to be this biggest problem from the past and we have taken the necessary action to correct this problem. We have also used a tried and tested pattern for the trousers to provide plenty of room in the thigh, seat and leg. We also have added a concealed stretch waistband to provide 2 to 3 inches of ease above and beyond the waist size. If you wear a 34, these pants will fit you even if you are a 35 or even 36- inch waist.

**Beret** We heard a lot of stories about the beret and how it fit or didn't fit. Many said it looked like a "beanie" and just sat on the top of the head. Our military experience kicked in and we took the style we make for the Special Forces which would fit properly and allow the drape to extend over the right ear. Removed the lining, trimmed it in a top-quality leather and used a fine Australian wool. From the feedback we have received, this has solved the problems. We supplied the Color Guard at the Kellenberg Assembly up in New York State who refused to wear the old style and according to Rob Timmerman, the Color Guard members now love it.

**Tie** Not a lot of complaints about the tie other than the Long was not long enough, so we have added an extra-long which is 64 inches and should fit the tallest member.

**OPTIONAL ITEMS** We were asked if we could offer, as an option, a white shirt, a black oxford shoe and an overcoat. We can, and we have provided prototypes of each for approval.

**White Shirt** We will be offering a 100% cotton, no-iron white shirt with exact sleeve lengths. We will stock sizes from a 13" neck and 28" sleeves to a 23" neck

and 37" sleeve. This should fit most every need. Shirts are like the blazers; some need more room in the stomach area, and we have addressed this.

We will have an executive cut/style for those who need this extra room. We will have these available around April and they will be favorably priced for this quality and features. Once approved, they will be available on our website [www.kofcuniform.com](http://www.kofcuniform.com) or toll-free number 833-562-4327.

**Black Oxford Shoes** We will have these shoes ready for sale in late March early April. We have used a top grain cowhide and the inside of the shoe is lined with a soft leather. From the feedback we have received from test wears this is one comfortable shoe.

**Overcoat** There are some areas in America where an overcoat is needed in the wintertime. We have developed a 19 oz., 100% wool, mid-calf coat with a heavy satin lining. The coat will be water resistant as well. The coat will have epaulets on the shoulders for the Baldric to go under and the gold K of C buttons. This coat is currently being test worn and if it is accepted as it is, we will have these available before the winter ends, especially in the northern part of the country.

In summary, we at the Supply Room feel blessed to have been given the responsibility to provide the 4th Degree Knights with a complete uniform with the highest quality in materials and workmanship. We have accepted this challenge and we think we are well on our way to meet all the objectives set before us. Let me assure everyone, we take this seriously and we will work hard to earn the respect and trust of each member. You will receive professional and courteous service from the moment you call us. We have a team of skilled ladies accepting your calls and, if they cannot answer your questions, they give the call to me. We are also receptive to your comments and/or suggestions as to how we can improve. We must always get any changes approved by the Supreme Headquarters; but, trust me, Headquarters wants the best possible program and they are trusting us to get it right. I hope these answers most of your questions. If not, let me know and I will do my best to do so. God Bless, Jim Craig The Supply Room 334-863-1674 cell 800-458-5180, Ext: 168

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## Star Assembly Requirements

The checklist below shows all the requirements for Star Assembly. District Masters in the province have this checklist and can provide it for use. All Assemblies should have a goal of being Star Assembly!



# STAR ASSEMBLY AWARD CHECKLIST

Assembly Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Report of Officers**  
*Form #186 (due July 1)*

**Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity**  
*Form 1728 (due January 31)*

**Annual Assembly Audit Report**  
*Form 1315 (due June 30)*

**Earn the Fourth Degree Civic Award**  
*Form 2321 (due June 30)*

**Our four varied Patriotic Programs**

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**Enter the "To Be A Patriot" Competition**  
*Form TBP-2 (due April 30)*

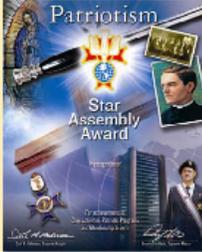
**Our Best Patriotic Program**

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**Meet the Assembly New Member Goal of 7%. Our Quota: \_\_\_\_\_**

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
Gains:												
Losses:												

**Publish Monthly Newsletter or Bulletin for Assembly Members**





**Assemblies that excel in membership recruitment, sponsoring patriotic programs in their communities, report to the Supreme Council office and keep their members and others informed of assembly activities are eligible to earn the Star Assembly Award.**

## Training – The To Be A Patriot Award

**Note the Deadlines for submission by Faithful Navigators and District Masters. Start early and submit outstanding packages!**



# TO BE A PATRIOT AWARDS PROGRAM

Due By: APRIL 30

Flying the flag, singing the national anthem, taking an active interest in the history and destiny of one's country. These are some of the ways we show love and respect for our country. There are others, though, and that's what the Fourth Degree awards program, **TO BE A PATRIOT** is about.

Since the turn of the century, members of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus, "the patriotic degree," have combined their Catholic heritage with their love of country and sponsored and participated in a variety of interesting patriotic programs and activities. **TO BE A PATRIOT** has been established to recognize these programs.

- ▶ **COMPETITION** Competition to determine the **best patriotic programs** during a given fraternal year will be held on the district and provincial levels of the Fourth Degree. To enter the competition, each **assembly must submit a report on their single best patriotic activity on form #TBP-2 to THE MASTER.**

**The master will then judge the entries and select the top activity in his district. The district winners will then be submitted to the vice supreme master. After selecting a top winner in his province, each vice supreme master should submit the entry form to the supreme master. Every entry will then be reviewed by a committee appointed by the supreme knight and supreme master. Winners will be announced by the Supreme Masters office.**

- ▶ **DEADLINES**

**ASSEMBLIES** — Original entries must be submitted **TO THE MASTER** by April 30.

**MASTERS** — Select top entry from district and submit to vice supreme master by May 15.

**VICE SUPREME MASTERS** — Select top entry from province and submit to supreme master by May 31. Any entries after May 31 will not be eligible.

- ▶ **GUIDELINES** Listed below are some suggested guidelines for masters and vice supreme masters to use when selecting the top activity in the **TO BE A PATRIOT** program.

1. The award is based upon a **single patriotic project or activity** conducted by an assembly during the fraternal year.

2. **BASIS FOR JUDGING**

- Does the program truly exemplify the virtue of patriotism?
- How many members participated in the program? What percentage of the entire membership participated?
- What were the benefits of the program? How did the results affect the community at large?
- How original was the program?
- How was the program publicized and how effective was the publicity?

# TO BE A PATRIOT ENTRY FORM

## 2019 – 2020

Due By: MAY 31

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR:

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ASSEMBLY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

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LOCATION:

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(town/city)

(state/province)

The information which follows describes our assembly's patriotic program and serves as our entry Supreme Council's **TO BE A PATRIOT** awards contest.

Date project conducted: \_\_\_\_\_

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Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Purpose of Activity:

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\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman's Name:

\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number:

\_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address:

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Number of assembly members participating in the project:

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Percentage of assembly members participating in the project:

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Number of man hours expended in the project:

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In the space provided, describe briefly how this project exemplifies the virtue of patriotism.

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On a separate sheet, describe the program in more detail. Explain how the program was conducted from start to finish and include relevant information about publicity, member participation and the overall import of the project to the community, the intended recipients or audience and the assembly. (Photos, newsclippings, scrapbooks, letters, testimonials, etc., may be included with this reporting form.)

**Signed:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Faithful Navigator)

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Master)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Vice Supreme Master)

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### **Calvert Province New Assembly Goals**

District	New Assembly Location	Established Y/N
Archdiocese of Washington		
Delaware		
Maryland		
Pennsylvania Central		
Pennsylvania East		
Pennsylvania West		Working
Virginia		Working
<b>Totals</b>	Goal: 7	YDT: 0

### **Provincial Membership Goals (as of 03/01/2020)**

District	Membership Goal	YTD New Members
Archdiocese of Washington	199 (161) 19%	38
Delaware	77 (30) 62%	48
Maryland	219 (131) 40%	88
Pennsylvania Central	258 (224) 13%	34
Pennsylvania East	442 (288) 34%	154
Pennsylvania West	333 (242) 27%	91
Virginia	450 (338) 24%	112
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,977 (1,412) 28.58%</b>	<b>565</b>

### **High Performing Assemblies This Year – 70% and Up in Membership**

**Delaware:** #3038 (Smyrna) 125%; #150 (Newark) 80%; #2413 (Georgetown) 73%

**Maryland:** #3769 (Annapolis) 400%; #2378 (Hydes) 136%; #2702 (Chestertown) 125%;  
#2595 (Poplar Springs) 75%

**Pennsylvania Central:** #942 (Williamsport) 100%

**Pennsylvania East:** #3274 (Paoli) 81%

**Pennsylvania West:** #943 (Erie) 208%; #935 (Newcastle) 166%; #2756 (Punxsutawney)  
133% #963 (Warren) 120%; #983 (Girard) 83%; #960 (Sharon) 75%

**Virginia:** #1678 (Manassas) 100%; #2331 (Springfield) 75%

## Just One More!

(Shared by SK Mike Handlin, Faithful Navigator, Cardinal Gibbons Assembly #150, Delaware District)

Normally, my favorite person to quote is Scrooge, not this time. In any organization, numbers are needed, and that is true for the Knights of Columbus, at any level. We need volunteers on our committees. We need Knights to be Officers, we need Knights to advance to the Fourth Degree. We need Knights and Sir Knights to attend meetings and feel involved in the process. We need State Officers. We need Supreme Directors, VSM'S, we need as Desmond Doss said, "Lord, just one more."

The other analogy that combines with Medal of Honor Recipient, Doss is a person carrying a cup of coffee.

Someone bumps into you and whatever is in that cup is spilled. The analogy is whatever is in the cup is Your character, your involvement. The person has contacted you; your character is what attracts that person, your character is what he notices. Your persona will draw him in or push him away.

We want super charged individuals who will continue the message of Father McGivney. We want the Gimmick to employ to get those individuals. The Gimmick is you or the program of work you are involved that will enlist faith filled super charged men and their families. The potential Knight or Sir Knight or joining member must see in you and your actions reasons to join. The Council and Assembly must have a cup with quality and character in its activities. The reality of enlisting new members is we are the Gimmick, we must always reflect the best qualities of the Knights.

If he bumps into you what will he see spill out? Will he see someone like MOH Doss who is prayerful, faith involved, believing in what he is doing at all costs?

Will you be comparable to Doss on Hacksaw Ridge, trying to get those looking for help, praying, "Lord, help me get just one more, just one more."

As the song says, Lord they will know us by our love, add to that our character and the Faith and family activities of the Knights of Columbus and we will have super charged individuals enlisting into the Knights of Columbus and activities.

## Reports

This is a table of reports, their due dates, and whether they are completed

<b>Form</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Completed</b>
Monthly Newsletter (Star Assembly Requirement)	Monthly	Ongoing
Form #1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity	January 31	<b>Finish them up!</b>
Form #TBP-1 To Be a Patriot Award	May 1 <sup>st</sup> to MFD	Upcoming
Form #990 Tax Report EZ – Due date depends on year end	May 15 – Nov 15	Yes
Form #2321 Civic Award	June 30	Upcoming
Form #186 Report of Officers Chosen	July 1	Yes <b>(for most!)</b>
Form #1315 Annual Assembly Audit Report	August 1	Yes <b>(for most!)</b>

**Need all reports turned in, even if late!**

## Upcoming Calvert Province Exemplifications

Here is a list of the upcoming Exemplifications in Calvert Province for this Fraternal Year

May 30, 2020	Coatesville, PA
June 7, 2020	Cranberry Twp., PA
June 20, 2020	White Haven, PA
AWD TBD	
Virginia TBD	

# Corona Virus Guidance from the Supreme Knight

March 11, 2020

Dear Fraternal Leader,

The Knights of Columbus is carefully monitoring the coronavirus situation and its impact on the Order. Since the virus is spread by personal contact, containment efforts stress social distancing by restricting travel, meetings and other gatherings. Accordingly, the Supreme Council most strongly recommends the following actions to protect brother Knights and others:

- Cancel all personal contact meetings, including business meetings, until further notice.
- Cancel all planned events, where people would gather, until further notice.
- Cancel all travel for Knights of Columbus business until further notice.

There are many ways to continue council operations without face to face contact. Here are some suggestions:

- Conduct meetings by conference call, Skype, Google Groups or other methods.
- Use a webinar service for large meetings like monthly business meetings.
- Allow member votes by email or text to approve bills and candidate admissions.
- Use the email feature of Officers Online for member communications.
- Set up a call tree to contact members and ascertain their wellbeing.
- Conduct degree ceremonies in homes using the [combined Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity](#) video or the [First Degree video](#).
- Use applications like "Go fund me" to digitally raise funds for causes.

Additional information is available for members and their families on the websites of the [CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL](#) and [WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION](#) . Be aware that the elderly and sick are highly vulnerable to this disease.

This is a moment to deepen our commitment to the very principles which define us: charity, unity and fraternity. There will likely be many opportunities in coming weeks to live out these principles in service to our brother Knights, our families and our communities. May this time of difficulty also be a moment when we as Knights step into the breach and show ourselves to be disciples of Jesus Christ and men at the service of others.



Carl A. Anderson, Supreme Knight

# A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San Pietro/M. Falcioni.

O Mary,  
you always brighten our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain  
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,  
you know what we need,  
and we are confident you will provide for us  
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,  
the Divine Physician,  
for those who have fallen ill,  
for those who are vulnerable,  
and for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with  
protecting the health and safety of others  
and for those who are tending to the sick  
and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform to the will of the Father  
and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who took upon himself our  
sufferings and carried our sorrows,  
so as to lead us, through the Cross,  
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

*Under thy protection we seek refuge,  
O Holy Mother of God.*

*In our needs, despise not our petitions,  
but deliver us always from all dangers,  
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.*

*Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis*

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**Please stay safe and continue to check on our  
Brothers, families, and neighbors. Especially watch out for  
the elderly! See where we can assist with the new “Leave no neighbor  
behind” program! We can all use some prayer right now, so please  
pray for those on the front lines of this war with an invisible enemy,  
and pray for a speedy and merciful end to this pandemic!**

**Never forget those who have gone before us!**

**Wreaths Across America Day is December 19, 2020!**

**Fraternally and Patriotically,**

**Mike**

**Micheal W. Thumm**

**Vice Supreme Master**

**Calvert Province**