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Veterans Day November 11, 2011  
Thanksgiving November 24, 2011



Dear Brother Sir Knights and Ladies:

## Happy Thanksgiving

The month of November is indeed a very active month in our lives of faith as well as our fraternal and civic lives.

We leave behind the holiday of ghosts and goblins of Halloween (All Hallows Eve) and move into the Holy Days of All Saints and All Souls. These Holy Days, perhaps more than any other in the liturgical year, remind us of our mortality and our deep dependence on the mercies of our Almighty God. On November 1<sup>st</sup>, we remember all those faithful men and women who have gone on to their reward and are interceding with our God on our behalf. We recognize that we, too, are members of that Communion of Saints along with our deceased parents, brothers, sisters and friends who already directly encounter the face of God.

As follow-on to that Holy Day, on All Souls day, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, we pray for all those souls who are still seeking the face of God, but are in the transitory state of Purgatory. Although this is not a day of obligatory attendance at Mass, we would do well to make every attempt to do so.

One of my personally favorite feasts is that of my namesake, Saint Charles Borromeo on the 4<sup>th</sup>. As Bishop of Milan in the 16<sup>th</sup> century, he was responsible for many reforms in the church.

Moreover, the season of Advent begins on the last Sunday of this month. During this season, of course, we anticipate and prepare for the birth of the Christ. It also ushers in some changes to our liturgical prayers at Mass. More on this next month.

Do not forget to set clocks back one hour on November 6<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, every Sir Knight and his Lady MUST vote on the 8<sup>th</sup>. As American citizens and especially as members of the fourth degree - the PATRIOTIC degree - performing this civic duty is imperative. A civic duty as well, is to remember and pray for those who served their country as member of the armed forces. Especially in these perilous times, on Veterans Day (November 11<sup>th</sup>) we all need to pray for their wellbeing.

As we enjoy our Thanksgiving traditions with our families and friends, we should sincerely thank our God for the blessings with which he has graced us personally, as well as the graces he has bestowed on our nation. Let's all try to lend a helping hand during this time of thanksgiving to assist those less fortunate.

Fraternally,

*C. W. Higdon*

Faithful Navigator



Saluting our  
Military

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## Business Meeting Minutes - October 19, 2011

Meeting opened promptly again at 7:30PM by Faithful Navigator, Charlie Higdon:

**Roll of Officers:** Faithful Friar Excused, all other officers present

**Reading of minutes:** Last business notes were amended to change Gordon Pickett to Gordon Burke. They were motioned to be accepted by Shawn Ansbro, seconded by Wayne Patterson, voted upon and passed by all.

**Faithful Friar's Report:** No report

**District Master's Report:** Charlie Giametta reminded everyone of the next exemplification on November 5<sup>th</sup>. He also suggested a possible project for the Assembly in helping schools acquire U. S. flags. This will be explored after school contacts are made.

**Faithful Navigator's Report:**

Faithful Navigator Charlie Higdon spoke about the Josephinum lads playing in a "Mud Bowl" flag football game on November 5<sup>th</sup>. It would be the College playing the Theologians. They may be asking for a donation for an advertisement in their program.

C.W. then referenced a letter from Veteran's Affairs thanking us for our donation. He reminded us of the offer to attend the celebration and distribution of gifts at the Chillicothe VA Hospital on 10/29.

We were reminded of some important upcoming events ... the November 6 Memorial Service after the 11:00AM Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish **and** the return of an Honor Flight to Columbus Airport on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Charlie reiterated that the latter is a marvelous tribute to attend.

We also should remember we have a SK in distress who would appreciate visitors ... as you can find the time.

Gordon Burke was mentioned as being the feature article in our newsletter on getting to know a fellow Sir Knight. Jesse Garcia is targeted as the feature for next month. Excitement builds!

We are still exploring the creation of Drill Teams for our Honor Guard events.

A note from the District Master was read reminding us that at "requested events", the requestor runs the show ... not the D.M.

Shawn Ansbro then returned a check of \$XXXX from our overage from our Assembly ads placed.

Our Faithful Navigator's final item asked us to place April 27 and 28 on our calendars for the Spring Exemplification. Duly noted.

**Reading of Bills & Communications:** Read and passed on to the Trustees for payment.

**Communications:** Managed during the F.N. report.

**Bills:** Total revenue for the past month was \$XXXX ... with bills totaling \$XXXX. We were down \$XXXX from our coffers. We are still in positive financial status.

**Faithful Captain's Report:** The brats and ice cream dinner was deemed successful for the evening ... as Gordon mentioned ... all the food was gone! Cost for the evening was \$XXXX with donations amounting to a total of \$XXXX. Belly warming Chicken or Beef with noodles is the menu for November. Good

job, Gordon.

**Faithful Comptroller's Report:** Faithful Comptroller, Steve Valentine listed our membership at 95 strong. A question was raised as to the past membership status of a deceased brother. It was determined he never attained the Fourth Degree.

**Faithful Purser's Report:** Faithful Purser, Gordon Burke read a listing of our funds. We are still running well ... but need to investigate future money-making events.

**Faithful Pilot's Report:** Lots of events are coming up ... as always:

Calling hours for Msgr. Grimes were set for 2:30 and 8:00PM on 10/20 with an 11:00AM Funeral Mass on 10/21.

Circleville Pumpkin Festival Friday, October 21 ... 6:00PM start time. Dinner was to follow at St. Joseph's Church following. No carpool was arranged to leave from Seton.

Honor Flight at the Airport, Saturday, October 22 ... 8:30PM assemble time in baggage area

Exemplification in Dover, Friday, November 5 ... 8:00PM start.

Memorial Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Sunday, November 6 ... 11:15AM Mass

Veteran's Day Parade, downtown November 10. Gathering time is 10:30.

On a final note, Faithful Pilot Phil Siedlecki tendered his resignation due to increased family and work commitments. C.W. reluctantly accepted the resignation and gratefully thanked Phil for all he has done for the assembly and office. Phil will hold the position until a replacement is nominated and elected. Charlie asks that all not on office prayerfully consider filling this role. Nominations can be sent to him or offered at the next meeting. You can nominate yourself.

**Faithful Admiral's Report:** Faithful Admiral Bog Glavan reminded us that we have one new member scheduled for full knighthood ... Stephen Patterson who is ready for the exemplification **and** was pleased to announce the transfer in of Douglas Childs from 809. Bog then respectfully requested the attendance of all the Memorial Mass on November 6 at Seton. Sir Knights not in the ceremony are requested to wear tux and social. All 3<sup>rd</sup> degree knights will hopefully attire in suit and tie.

**Faithful Scribe's Report:** No report.

**Report of Committees:**

Although the golf outing was cancelled, SK Fran Vendetta refused the return of his foursome entry fee and asked it be donated to the Veterans. Thank you, Fran!

Discussion was conducted on what we can do to replace or fully get behind the Golf Outing as our major fund-raiser. Suggestions of Flea Markets, Craft Shows and Auctions, Pig Roasts and more were tendered. SK Fred Barwick was asked to chair a committee to explore these offerings. SK John Samborsky accepted the request to assist in this matter. Another suggestion came in to possibly pair up with the Reynoldsburg Lions to continue the Golf Outing ... they seem to have a hard time filling a field as well. Sirs Barwick and Samborsky will explore that option as well. Stay tuned.

*Business Meeting Minutes (Continued on page 3)*

**Report of Trustees:** No report.

**Report of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree:** No report.

**Old Business:** Nominations were asked for the position of Faithful Pilot. SK Gene Ebert was nominated by George Schneider and was seconded by Wayne Patterson. In a close vote ... Gene was elected! Thanks for stepping up, Gene.

Gene's election then produced an opening in the Outer Sentinel position. Fred Barwick and Mike Draudt were both nominated and accepted the nominations. Voting will occur at next month's meeting following an undoubtedly heated campaign.

**New Business:** The previously discussed option to donate money to the Seminarian "Mud Bowl" was decidedly tabled until next year ... as the request came in a little late. Perhaps this can be budgeted for next year.

**Lecturer's Report:** No report.

**Good of the Order:** Rita Draudt, Bob Dougherty, Bill Saling, David McClellan, Kevin McClellan, Carrie Ebert, Maureen Patterson, Charles Higdon, Jr., Peg Brock, Debbie Boegs, Msgr. Grimes, Jim Patterson, Mala Doty, Jeff Samborsky ... and as always our priests and our military.

**The 50/50 Drawing Winner:** Bill Sharon was the winner ... but was not in attendance to collect.

Meeting ended at: 8:40PM ... again ... two months in a row!

*Mike Croyle*

Faithful Scribe



## Know Your Knight

Sir Knight Gordon and Lady Ann Burke make their home in Reynoldsburg, Ohio. They have two sons.

As a member of Saint Pius X parish, Gordon serves as a Lector and Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Eucharist.



A native of Cincinnati, Ohio, Gordon has served in the U S Navy for twenty one years. He has also been employed at the Defense Supply Center in Columbus as a Financial Services Analyst for over twenty seven years.

Gordon is a member of Father Hohman Council 5253 in Reynoldsburg where he has serves as Treasurer and as a member of Assembly 2900 is currently serving as Faithful Purser.

Unlike many of us, Gordon acknowledges no pet peeves but thoroughly enjoys fishing and has been a Scout leader for over thirteen years.

## November, 2011

Pope John Paul II's beatification to sainthood is meaningful not only to the world and to the Church but also to the Knights of Columbus. This month is the sixth in a series of eight addresses by John Paul II to the Knights of Columbus.

*"The Knights of Columbus are an excellent example of the contribution which the laity can make by working together. The manner of good works that you perform yourselves are further multiplied by those which you inspire in others. In this way you are being faithful to a serious command....."Your light must shine before men so that they may see goodness in your acts and give praise to your heavenly Father" (Mt 5:16)*

Message to 105<sup>th</sup> Supreme Convention, New Orleans, La. 1987

Respectfully submitted;

*Bud Joos, PGK*

Lecturer

## Thanksgiving Prayer

On Thanksgiving, it is a tradition to first thank the God and praise Him for his innumerable blessings. According to custom, they offer thanks for their family, spouse, children and health. You may teach your children to appreciate all the good things in their lives and be thankful for them, by holding a family discussion for a few minutes, where each member of the household enumerates things for which they are thankful, and then worship together. After all this, people usually wish 'Happy Thanksgiving' to their family members, relatives and friends.

Some people say grace daily before the meals or give thanks to God in a prayer. Family feast is also organized on this day and gifts are exchanged between near and dear ones. Thanksgiving provides us an opportunity to encourage unity and bonding in the family as all the members may hold hands while saying the grace, thanking and praising God, on this day. Thanksgiving has recently been accepted by Catholics as a holy or religious holiday and some churches hold Mass on this day, as a new Thanksgiving tradition.

For all religions, Thanksgiving is a wonderful time to reflect and count all the blessings of the Almighty and be grateful to God for his benign presence in our life. This day gives us an opportunity to praise God and appreciate everything that He has given us and ought to be full of love and thanks. It is customary to say grace and offer thanks to the Lord before the Thanksgiving dinner and feast. Thanksgiving prayers are of different types, including the traditional hymns, Catholic prayers, short prayers and even family prayers. Some of them have been listed in this section as well, just for you!

### Catholic Thanksgiving Prayer

On the Thanksgiving Day, Catholics thank the creator of this universe for all the gifts and blessings that He has endowed them with. Family members together read scripture during the Thanksgiving dinner and then, take turns sharing things for which they are most thankful to god

<http://festivals.iloveindia.com/thanks-giving/prayer/index.html>

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:SK STEPHEN PATTERSON  
FOURTH DEGREE AS OF NOVEMBER 12, 2011**

My Son, Stephen

Congratulations-to my eldest son, who is a grown family man.  
Becoming a Fourth Degree Knight today, and taking such a stand,  
To Honor God, Keep the Faith, Love Country and fellow man  
To help all God's people, everywhere, in any way he can.

This Brotherhood, through Jesus Christ, you will learn and grow.  
To give support and love to others, and only God will know!  
A special Spiritual Bond, my son, you share with so many others,  
The Knights of Columbus Organization has strength in it's numbers.

As a Fourth Degree Knight, you open yourself to opportunities galore,  
You can now participate in many events you never could before.  
Trust and vulnerability are things, you, my young Knight must learn,  
Like saying "no" when Family comes first, and when to take your turn.

Other organizations you might join in life, could never quite compare  
To the Holy Brotherhood of the Knights of Columbus that you now share.  
Continue to follow the Lord's path for you, as your life goes on,  
Know your brother Knights love you, within this church they are built  
upon.

May our good Lord bless you in all and everything you decide,  
Know your church and family are watching you with pride!  
Open your heart and hands to anyone and everyone who is poor,  
Remember, it could be Jesus in disguise, knocking on your door.

May this life changing and important step you have taken today  
Strengthen your relationship with Christ, and give you reason to pray.  
Thank you, Lord Jesus, for calling my son to serve You in this way,  
Forever, a Catholic Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus he will stay!

Written By: Maureen Patterson  
(Mother of Stephen Patterson)

**Need a Hand?**

Jim Doty and his team are ready and willing to give you a hand. If you need help with a project or chore, something moved, the use of a pickup truck or trailer or just a ride give Jim a call. We are looking forward to giving you a hand. Just call 614-367-6344



*The First Thanksgiving at Plymouth*  
By Jennie A. Brownscombe (1914)

**Saluting our Veterans**

November 11, 2011 is Veterans day. What is Veterans day?

“**Veterans Day**” is an American holiday honoring military veterans. Both a federal holiday and a state holiday in all states, it's always celebrated on November 11th each year. It is also celebrated as Armistice Day or Remembrance Day in other parts of the world, falling on November 11, the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I. (Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 with the German signing of the Armistice.)

In 1954 the Holiday was changed from Armistice Day to Veterans Day to honor American Veterans of all wars.

**The difference between Veterans Day and Memorial Day**

Memorial Day honors service members who died in service to their country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle. Deceased veterans are also remembered on Veterans Day but the day is set aside to thank and honor living veterans who served honorably in the military - in wartime or peacetime.

Also did you know that the holiday is commonly printed as *Veteran's Day* or *Veterans' Day* in calendars and advertisements. While these spellings are grammatically acceptable, the United States government has declared that the attributive (no apostrophe) rather than the possessive case is the official spelling.

We are privileged to have veterans as members of our council. The next time you see one of them, thank them for their service. Without them and the sacrifices they made, we would not live in the greatest country in the world.

**Officer Nomination**

Gentlemen:

SK Gene Ebert has been elected to the position of Faithful Pilot, this leaves the office of Outer Sentinel open, nominations for the positions are:

SK Fred Barwick and SK Mike Draudt

**C W Higdon**

Faithful Navigator

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## PRAYER BEFORE STARTING WORK

My Heavenly Father, as I enter this workplace,  
I bring your presence with me.  
I speak Your peace, Your grace, Your mercy,  
and Your perfect order into this office.  
I acknowledge Your power over all that  
will be spoken, thought, decided, and done within these walls.  
Lord, I thank you for the gifts You have blessed me with.  
I commit to using them responsibly in Your honor.  
Give me a fresh supply of strength to do my job.  
Anoint my projects, ideas, and energy,  
so that even my smallest accomplishment  
may bring You glory.  
Lord when I am confused, guide me.  
When I am weary, energize me.  
When I am burned out, infuse me with the light of the Holy Spirit.  
May the work that I do and the way I do it bring  
Faith, joy, and a smile to all that I come in  
contact with today. And oh, Lord,  
when I leave this place, give me traveling grace.  
Bless my family and home to be in order as I left it.  
Lord thank You for everything You've done,  
Everything You're doing and everything You are going to do.  
In the name of Jesus I pray, with much love and  
Thanksgiving  
Amen



## Captain's Report

No Report Received

*Gordon E. Pickett*

Faithful Captain

### Fr. Michael J. McGivney Guild

For information on the founder of the Knights of Columbus, please visit the following website:



<http://kofc.org/about/history/founder/index.cfm>

To join the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild, please visit the following website:

<http://kofc.org/about/history/founder/participate/index.cfm>

### ATTENTION:

As a reminder, articles for the newsletter are due by the 25th of each month. This allows time for layout and editing and allows the newsletter to be sent out before activities for the month take place.

Thank you for the help in this matter.

*Jesus V Garcia III*, PFN

Newsletter Editor

## In Memoriam

Sir Knights of Assembly 2900 remembers our  
Brother Sir Knights who have gone to be with our Father.

Dr. Richard H. Arnett  
Albert T. Genzen  
Larry H. Lotz  
Robert Mulholand  
Joseph Rossi, Sr.  
George Yurt



UPCOMING EVENTS

November 2011	
6	Memorial Mass following 11:15 Mass
16	Assembly Business Meeting and Social
11	<b>Veterans Day - Thank You Veterans!!!</b>
24	<b>Happy Thanksgiving</b>
27	<b>Advent Starts</b>
December 2011	
21	Assembly Business Meeting and Social
24	Christmas Eve
25	Christmas
31	New years Eve

*Meeting Reminder - OFFICERS*

Any Officer that can not attend the up-coming meeting needs to call or email me. If no call or email is received you will be marked as unexcused/absent.

*CW Higdon*  
Your Faithful Navigator



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**Prayer Corner**

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