

Serving Councils 5253, 11187, and 11354



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Memorial Day Thanking our Veteran's (past and present)

Dear Brother SKs and Ladies:

First item is a wrap-up of the 4th Degree Exemplification held on April 5th and 6th at Cherry Valley Lodge with most of the 4th Degree activities occurring on the 6th. There were 97 4th Degree Candidates, with 8 candidates attending from Council 5253 through our assembly. Previously all of them had indicated that they were interested in joining our assembly when they were permitted. Master Giametta noted that this was the largest number of candidates that had ever participated in a single 4th Degree ceremony in Ohio District 3. This number of candidates and family members, along with all the other attendees, made for fairly crowded, but enjoyable, events. The social events (the Dinner Dance on the 5th and the Master's Banquet on the 6th) were well attended and enjoyed, as were the Hospitality Suites, sponsored by the Master, Assembly 830, Assembly 2380, and the combined one by Assemblies 809, 2900, and 2380. The baskets put together by the Ladies were quite interesting and were well supported by the meeting attendees. The baskets were also anxiously sought during the drawings at the end of the Banquet. I believe all of these activities during these two days were enjoyed by all and everybody were very tired at the end!!

The next item is a reminder of my support of the Honor Flights for the War Veterans and encouragement of the Knights of Columbus participation in the welcoming back of the Veterans at the end of their trip to Washington, D.C. (more details about this activity was provided in last month's newsletter). These flights are occurring on April 27th (which will be past when you read this), May 18th, June 15th, September 7th and 28th, and October 19th. While not a goal, participating Knights will get Veteran recognition and appreciation by wearing some type of KofC attire. This can be Full Regalia (yes it can be worn in the airport), Social attire, or a KofC hat or shirt. The Honor Flight people working with these Veterans also appreciate our participation in these activities. Wouldn't you like to show your appreciation to these Veterans for their service? Join us on the upper floor in the baggage area!!

One last item, Officer candidates are being sought by KofC Councils and Assemblies for the upcoming Fraternal Year (July 1,2013 to June 30,2014) so volunteer to participate!! Hurry up since votings will occur during May (or June in some cases?) meetings.

SK Gordon Pickett

Faithful Navigator

2900 Assembly News

Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900, Pickerington, Ohio USA



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Business Meeting Minutes - March 20, 2013

The meeting started at approximately 7:30pm by FN Gordon Pickett

Roll call of officers was taken and all were in attendance with the exception of the Outer Sentinel and our Faithful Spiritual Advisor whom were excused.

No communications were available for our reading.

The minutes were motioned to be approved as posted by Wayne Patterson, seconded by Bog Glavan, voted upon and approved.

Our District Master chose to postpone his announcements until the end of the meeting.

The Comptroller read a list of bills, which were then motioned to be sent to the Trustees for payment by Shawn Ansbro, seconded by Wayne Patterson, voted on and passed.

The Faithful Navigator read his reminder of the list of "honor flights" coming for the next year. The first is April 27th. SK's can choose to attend in full regalia. After discussion, it was clarified that swords are permitted to be worn ... just not drawn.

The Faithful Captain reported forty people were in attendance for the dinner tonight. \$XXX was collected and no expenses were incurred due to items accumulated over time and others which were donated. The Captain also reminded all that you never know where you are going to meet brother and SKs. And finally, the meal for next month will be barbecued beef.

The Faithful Comptroller then handed out the revenues sheet and explained items to all in attendance. We are having one transfer out of the Assembly. Some exemplification monies need rectified. Some is owed to us ... some we owe. Next year, the Assembly will collect all monies and be reimbursed as necessary.

The Faithful Purser then spoke and promised an updated roster soon...to alleviate the potential problem of someone donating to the fifty-fifty drawing, but not having a number entered in the win.

The Faithful Scribe had no report.

The Faithful Pilot asked all in attendance to consider dressing in full regalia for the twelve different Confirmation celebrations and the same number of First Communions in the next month. Please check online for the dates and times. May 3rd is also the Deaconate Coordinators Mass at the Cathedral and May 25th is the Mass for out new Priests ... also at the Cathedral.

The Faithful Admiral had no report, C.W. but did show a wooden, Knights of Columbus, carved plaque available for purchase and display. The cost is \$20.00 for those interested.

The Trustees then proceeded with nominations for the elections to be held next month. The slate of officers lists as follows:

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| Faithful Navigator | Steven Dodaro |
| Faithful Captain | TBD |
| Faithful Purser | Gordon Burke |
| Faithful Comptroller | Terry Reine |
| Faithful Scribe | Mike Croyle |
| Faithful Pilot | Gene Ebert |
| Faithful Inner Sentinel | Paul Albert |
| Faithful Outer Sentinel | Gordon Pickett, Jr |

The Trustees asked all to consider "going through the chairs" as Officers in order to keep us moving forward as an Assembly.

Please consider running for our open Captain position ... after discussion with previous Captains ... the position really needs only six to seven months of work in providing the main meal as other events by council donations cover the rest. Nominations will be open before the elections. Please prayerfully consider involvement.

Report of the 3rd Degree: Council 5253 have the following events coming with Measure Up on May 2nd, First Communion on April 20th and Confirmation on April 27th.

Council 11187 have the following events listed with a fund-raising dinner for PDHC on April 18th, a Blue Coats Dinner on April 27th, First Communion on May 4th, and Confirmation on May 6th.

Old Business: We were reminded that out donation to the Veterans Center needs arranged. SK Jerry Lowery will check in to that.

New Business: We will entertain a motion next month for the purchase of a locked, steel cabinet to store paper products, pop, and more for our Assembly dinners. SK Wayne Patterson will explore and assure the church will permit us storage space.

The District Master then finally entered his lengthy, but pertinent report:

We were congratulated on the Exemplification. 98 men achieved the status of full Knighthood, which is the largest class to date. Two of the new candidates have already been balloted to take officer positions in their Council **and** our Assembly. Most of the candidates from 2900 were from Council 5253. Good job, guys. Our District Master said 11187 needs to "step it up". The class honoree next year is David Funk.

We need to send the Chalice Fund money of Scott Melbauer to the New Albany Assembly as he is transferring there.

As a note of clarification, Deacons cannot be listed as Faithful Friar as they are not priests. The term from this point forward is Spiritual Advisor.

The D.M. then challenged us to get all councils involved in the Assembly.

He next asked that we attend the new 2nd/3rd Degree ceremonies if we have not already done so. The next is scheduled for April 28th at Denison with the 2nd at 1:30PM and the 3rd at 3:00PM. St. Andrew's will conduct one on May 19th with the 2nd at 11:30AM and the 3rd at 2:00PM. Please check these times online as there was some confusion with the information.

Finally, for the Good of the Order we listed: Martin Croyle, Chris Burke, Mary Burke, Msgr. Clagett, Barb Metz, Jeff Samborsky, Debbie Boggs, Charles Higdon, Jr., the deceased and injured in the Boston Bombing, Maureen Patterson, Jim and Margie Patterson, Dick and Mary McComb, our priests and clergy, as well as our military and veterans.

The 50-50 drawing was held and the winner was not in attendance and "donated" their share of \$19.00 back to the Assembly.

Pennies for Heaven Fund received \$16.00.

Respectfully submitted by:

SK Mike Croyle

Faithful Scribe

Respect Life: PDHC Pickerington

As I told you last month, The Pregnancy Decisions Health Care board voted to open a PDHC office in Pickerington to offer women a pro-life alternative to abortion. PDHC offers free ultrasounds, referrals to pro-life doctors, help to women in crisis pregnancy situations, and abstinence education. PDHC type clinics have proven to be some of the best defenses against abortion. PDHC has selected a site in Pickerington and is currently in negotiations to secure that location.

The PDHC fundraising dinner was a huge success! About 280 people attended and over \$40,000 was raised. Keynote speaker David Mahan from Eagle Rock Church in Pickerington described the abortion problem in Ohio, Fairfield County, and Pickerington. He also discussed abstinence education and how PDHC sponsors abstinence education in many school systems, including Pickerington. As an abstinence educator he is right on the front lines and can share many stories directly from the students themselves.

One of the highlights of the evening was when courageous Worthington area student Caleb described how he was scheduled to be aborted but his mother stood up against pressure from her parents and decided to have him. She made the difficult and unselfish decision to give him up for adoption to a wonderful, loving family. Caleb gave a truly inspiring witness.

Another highlight was when Whitney, a PDHC client, described her unintended pregnancy while she was still in college. She considered abortion in spite of being raised in a pro-life family, but when a friend directed her to PDHC she realized she could not kill her baby. She elected to continue her pregnancy with PDHC's help and also decided to give her child up for adoption. Hearing from someone directly helped by PDHC really let the people at the banquet see the good that PDHC does.

Thank you to the many Knights that did attend the banquet and for your generous donations. Along with the approximately \$5,000 raised with the baby bottle campaign, we have made a great start on funding the Pickerington PDHC location. We are still a long way from the total funds needed to support a PDHC office in Pickerington, however. So if you were unable to make the fundraising banquet for some reason (like opening night of the golf league), please make a donation to PDHC. Indicate that it is for the Pickerington office and send it to:

665 E. Dublin-Granville Rd
Suite 120
Columbus, OH 43229-3245

Finally, abortion doctors Samuel still have not been able to open their clinic on Hill Rd. but we still pray there during their scheduled open hours on Monday and Tuesday from 2:45 to 5:00 pm. We also raise community awareness by praying there from 10:00 to noon every Saturday, when traffic is heavy on Hill Rd N. We need all the help we can get, so please join us there for an hour of prayer as often as you can. We would also like to thank the Knights of St. Matthew Council 5801 for praying at this location several times over the last few weeks. That is a wonderful pro-life witness from Gahanna!

Edd Chinnock

Respect Life Coordinator

Captain's Report

I would again like to thank everyone who contributed items for either of the two baskets we donated to Master Charlie and Lady Maria Giametta. Lady Maria sent us a note extending her thanks and appreciation as well. We were the only assembly to donate two baskets and that speaks well of our assembly. At our next assembly meeting, Diane and I will be providing barbecued beef sandwiches.

Steve Dodaro

Faithful Captain

Calling All Knights!

We need men to pray outside the abortion mill on Hill Rd North on Mondays and Tuesdays from 2:00 to 4:00.

Please take one hour to come and pray to stop this travesty from staying in our community only one block from Seton.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Slate of Officers - 2013/14

These nominations will be presented at the regular meeting on May 22nd, 2013.

Faithful Navigator - Steve Dodaro
Faithful Captain - open
Faithful Admiral - Gordon Pickett
Faithful Trustee - C. W. Higdon
Faithful Navigator - Gene Ebert
Faithful Purser - Terry Reine
Faithful Comptroller - Gordon Burke (appointed?)
Faithful Scribe - Mike Croyle
Faithful Inside Sentinel - Paul Albert
Faithful Outside Sentinel - Gordon Pickett Jr.

If you have more nominations for any or all offices please present them at the that meeting at the appropriate time during the meeting.

SK Bud Joos

Trustee

Pilot's Report

Editor's Note: Pilot's schedule
<http://www.kofccolumbus.org/PilotsReport.htm>

The link to the Pilot's report gives the latest news and events. Email alerts are sent out when events arise that are not scheduled

SK Brett Gissel

Faithful Pilot

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May 2013

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| 17 | Assembly Business Meeting and Social |
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| 27 | Memorial Day |
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June 2013

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| 19 | Assembly Business Meeting and Social |
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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

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.

Gordon Pickett
Your Faithful Navigator

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Faithful Pilot

SK Gene Ebert 833-9643

Faithful Admiral

SK CW Higdon, PFN 868-0365

Faithful Comptroller

SK Terrence Reine, PFN 856-3653

Faithful Purser

SK Gordon Burke 861-1191

Faithful Scribe

SK Mike Croyle 361-3183

Faithful Inner Sentinel

SK Frank Hare (740) 964-3580

Faithful Outer Sentinel

SK Fred Barwick 833-0685

3 Year Trustee

SK Francis Joos 837-7211

2 Year Trustee

SK John Samborsky 837-2606

1 Year trustee

SK Bogomir Glavan, PFN 837-0651

Faithful Commander

SK Phil Siedlecki 863-5284

Vice Commander

SK Steve Valentine (740) 927-1464

Faithful Patron

Prayer Corner

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