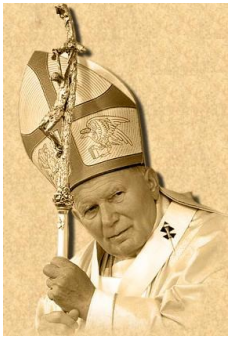


Serving Councils: 5253, 11187 and 16561



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May 1, 2023



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Happy Mother's Day / Happy Memorial Day

Dear Brother SKs and Ladies:

I hope everyone is enjoying this beautiful weather. Hopefully everyone had a blessed Easter!

I would like to welcome two new brothers SK. Raymond Ganem and SK. Stephen Jayaraj to our Assembly. They both went thru the exemplification this past Saturday.

We are working on some minor changes on the by-laws for the assembly. We will be voting on the changes when they are done. The Trustees are looking for new Knights to fill a officers position. Please take time to step up and keep our Assembly strong.

I have asked Vice Commander Phil Siedlecki to make a list of all Knights with the new uniform. If you have the new uniform, please give Phil a phone number he can call when we need a honor Guard. Phil can be reached at 614-832-3514. If you have the uniform please help out when called upon. We need to show our strength and support for the church. Remember we are the strong right arm of the church. When we don't answer the call what does that say about our Assembly. I understand we all have families and busy lives but we need to remember what we agreed to at are own exemplification. I understand some calls are far but I don't understand when its at our own backyard.

I would like to thank SK. Phil Siedleck and SK. Tim Hicky from Assembly 809 for there help at Setons Frist Communion on April 22nd. I also want to thank all Knights for there help on May 1st with Seton Confirmation and the Bishop. We had 5 from 2900 ,3 from 809 and 1 from 3037.

Vivat Jesus

SK R. Wayne Patterson

Faithful Navigator

Captain's Corner

Brother Sir Knights and Ladies,

Our Assembly 2900 May Meeting and Social will be May 17th. Festivities will kick off around 6:40 and will feature a "Build a Burger bar." Please consider bringing items you enjoy with and on your favorite burger or a dessert. The Assembly will provide burgers, buns, and French fries.

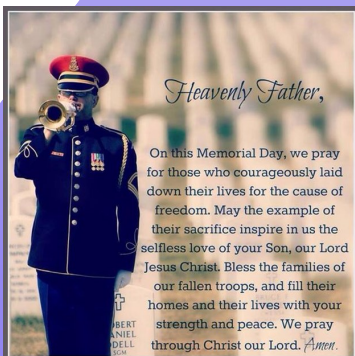
As always the evening will kick off at 6:40. Wives are encouraged to attend our Social.

SK Frank and Lady Diane Hare

Faithful Captain



2900 Assembly News
Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900, Pickerington, Ohio USA



Memorial Day

It was formerly known as Decoration Day and commemorates all men and women who have died in military service for the United States.

The Council thanks and remembers all that have given the supreme sacrifice to make this the greatest country on this Earth!



Assembly Business Minutes - 4/19/23

The meeting started at 7:37 p.m. by Faithful Navigator Sir Knight Wayne Patterson with normal procedure and prayer.

Roll call of officers followed, excused this month were Faithful Friar, Faithful Pilot, 3 Year Trustee, and Faithful Patron.

Our Faithful Friar: Excused, no report.

The approval of the 3/15/23 minutes was motioned and seconded. Voting ensued and approval followed.

Reading of bills and Communications: 5 bills, \$XXX for food/lunch expenses, \$XXX for Captain's Dinner this evening, reimbursed FN Wayne Patterson for the purchase of 6 Memorial Plaques - cost \$XXX each, \$XXX to Seton Parish for the use of their facilities for Assembly monthly meetings, and \$XXX for Memorial Plaque metal holders were motioned, seconded and passed to the Trustees for approval and payment.

Our Faithful Master: Excused, no report.

Our Faithful Navigator: FN Wayne Patterson hoped that everyone that attended the 3/26/23 social outing with brunch and the Pickerington Community Theater play had a good time, doubled the turnout from last year. Rose Marlott who won the 50/50 raffle at the play donated her \$XXX winnings back to the Assembly which will be placed in the Captain's Fund. Thanked SK Frank Hare and Lady Knight Diane Hare for putting together the Salad Bar meal this evening which went well. Had the Memorial Plaque for John Hentz Sr. that will be given to his son, John Hentz Jr. Another spring Exemption is scheduled for 5/13/23 in Marysville at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, cost is \$XXX, let him know of any 3rd degree Knight that would be interested, need to complete a form 100. Presented a \$XXX check from Council 11187 to the Faithful Comptroller representing \$XXX for the Assembly Veterans program and the other \$XXX was donated by a Council member for the SOS (Support for Seminarians) fund.

Our Faithful Admiral: SK David Evers indicated that Stephen Jayaray from St. Pius X will be attending the 5/13/23 Exemption.

Our Faithful Captain: SK Frank Hare collected \$XXX for this evening's salad bar meal, 26 attendees, turned in expenses for \$XXX.

Our Faithful Comptroller: SK Bill Richards read the bills that needed to be paid.

Our Faithful Purser: SK Michael Covey emailed the Purser Report for 4/18/23 and also had copies available listing the general fund actual balance on 3/31/23 of \$XXX. The Purser Report was motioned, seconded, and approved. He will be gone for the next two months so the Faithful Navigator will fill in for him.

Our Faithful Commander: FN Wayne Patterson stated that an Honor Guard with the new uniform is needed for First Communion, 10 am and 1 pm, on Saturday, 4/22/23, at Seton and again for Seton's Confirmation on Monday, 5/1/23 at 7 pm. He and SK Phil Siedlecki are working on a Knights Funeral Honor Guard protocol which once approved by the Faithful Master, they will then attend all 3 Council meetings to explain it. All members need to complete a new Fourth Degree Directive Form, copy in the April newsletter.

Our Faithful Pilot: SK Phil Siedlecki read some of the Ohio District 3 recent Pilot's Report requesting an Honor Guard for upcoming events, the 4 pages were recently emailed to all members.

Our Veteran's Affair Liaison: Scott Huff has offered to take over as the VA Liaison from C.W. Higdon and will have a report next month. The FN pointed out the flags representing all branches of the service that were hung between the Knight of Columbus flag and the American flag.

Trustees Report: SK Ralph Blamer indicated that the Trustees are taking nominations for Assembly Officers for fraternal year starting 7/1/23, let him or any other Trustee know if interested, can text him at

614.432.6310. In the Assembly 4/1/23 newsletter the duties of Assembly Officers are listed. Need to vote by May 31st. Will need a Faithful Purser as SK Michael Covey has been nominated for Grand Knight at Council 16561.

Report of Committees:

Culture of Life: No report.

Membership & Retention: Planning on one new member, Stephen Jayaray, application approved last year.

VA Raffle: No report.

Unfinished Business:

SK Wayne Patterson and SK Phil Siedlecki are still in the process of creating a new formal procedure for the Flag Retirement ceremony.

SK Bill Richards emailed the Assembly Officers on 8/18/22 an updated draft of the Assembly 2900 By-Laws, SK Michael Covey has reviewed them and had a first draft copy, 3/15/23, available with the Assembly name change to Pope St. John Paul II, adding Memorial Fund Committee, plus other changes, plans to have a final version published in the May Newsletter and then vote on it at the Assembly May meeting. The Faithful Navigator always has a copy of the By-Laws and a suggestion was made to get them printed into a miniature pamphlet for all members.

SK Wayne Patterson plans to invite Dustin Goodchild to a meeting to share his campus ministry "Saint Paul Outreach" at St. Thomas University in St. Paul, MN as we consider a donation.

New Business: None

SOS (Support our Seminarians): \$XXX was collected this evening.

Report of the 3rd Degree:

Council 5253 Starting their monthly Pancake Breakfast; putting together their slate of Officers for the upcoming FY; providing rosaries to the First Communion class.

Council 11187 Record year for very successful Fish Fries, served 4,700 meals; the Easter Egg Hunt was a success; Saturday, 4/22, will be the first annual Meet/Greet/ Eat event for all members and their families in which the Council's Award of the Year will be recognized; 5/6 will be the Blue Coat Dinner; 5/20 will be the Wives Appreciation Dinner; St. Vincent de Paul truck will be at Seton the weekend of 4/22.

Council 16561 Starting busy season, 4/29 will have Membership Drive, donuts, St. Vincent de Paul truck and SOS collection; 5/6 will be clean up day; plan to hand out flowers to all mothers on Mother's Day weekend; 5/20 is First Communion; 5/26 is Confirmation; and 5/27 Deacon PC will be ordained a Priest; netted \$XXX from their 4/15 Euchre Party, 40 people played, next one is 9/30.

For the Good of the Order: We list and keep in our prayers: Maureen Patterson, Jeff Samborsky, Gene Ebert, Sandra Blamer, Gertrud Christian, Dale Hiscock Family, Melissa Stealgrave, Lou Silverman, Olivia Neill, Steve McClellan, Dominic Nocera, and people who died from gunshots, fire.

Faithful Patron: Excused, no report.

Faithful Navigator Wayne Patterson closed the meeting in our normal prayerful manner at 8:30 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for May 17th, bring a friend and your spouse.

Respectfully submitted,

SK Vince Pulles

Faithful Scribe

Duties of Officers of a 4th Degree Assembly.

The Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus specifically set the duties of Assembly Officers. This guide is to help new Sir Knights and interested parties be informed.

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR The Faithful Navigator is the chief executive officer of the Assembly and acts as the Presiding Officer, with all the powers and duties incident to such office. He appoints committees, countersigns orders and checks. He annually appoints or reappoints the Assembly Color Corps Commander. In his absence, or inability to perform such duties of office, the Faithful Captain shall perform such duties and exercise such powers.

FAITHFUL FRIAR The Faithful Friar is the Spiritual Advisor of the Assembly. He is expected to make a report at Assembly Meetings on religious matters. The Faithful Navigator, Faithful Captain, Faithful Admiral, and Faithful Pilot appoint a Priest annually in accordance with such rules established by the Bishop of the Diocese to serve the Assembly.

FAITHFUL CAPTAIN The Faithful Captain shall, in the absence of the Faithful Navigator, perform the duties and exercise the powers of that office. He shall also, to assure a good attendance at meetings and other functions, have charge of social and other activities under the Good of the Order. (Refreshments)

FAITHFUL PILOT The Faithful Pilot shall have charge of all properties of the Assembly excepts monies, accounts and record books of the officers, but including ceremonials; shall be responsible for arrangement of the Assembly Chamber and shall direct and be responsible for the activities of the Sentinels.

FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER The Faithful Comptroller (Fin Sec) shall keep a roll and the records of the members with the date of their initiation in the Fourth Degree. Collect and receive all monies due the Assembly and all funds obtained from any source and transfer the same to the Faithful Purser, and obtain a receipt from him. He shall keep accounts of the charges (dues) and receipts of each member; he shall issue to each member not indebted to the Assembly for dues, a Fourth Degree Membership Card, duly signed and attested as above, which shall entitle a member admittance to any meeting of the Fourth Degree within the period specified on said card and upon further compliance with the rule requiring that the member produce a current Third Degree membership card. He shall upon request by a member transferring to another Assembly, issue a transfer card, signed by the Faithful Navigator and attested by the Faithful Comptroller. He shall keep such necessary Official Records and forms as furnished by the Supreme Secretary. Notify the District Master of the names of all candidates awaiting initiation. Is the custodian of the Seal of the Assembly and affixes same to all proper papers.

FAITHFUL SCRIBE The Faithful Scribe shall keep a record of the minutes of all regular and special meetings in a bound book furnished for that purpose by the Assembly.

FAITHFUL PURSER The Faithful Purser (Treasurer) is the custodian of all funds obtained from any source. Makes deposits and keeps records. Pays all orders drawn on him by the Faithful Comptroller and Faithful Navigator. Makes records available to the Board of Trustees as required.

FAITHFUL INNER and OUTER SENTINELS The Faithful Inner and Outer Sentinels shall be responsible to see that all in attendance at meetings are in possession of appropriate valid Third and Fourth Degree membership cards and shall perform such other duties as directed by the Faithful Pilot.

FAITHFUL ADMIRAL The Faithful Admiral (usually the Immediate Past Faithful Navigator) is appointed annually; shall preside in case of the absence of both the Faithful Navigator and Faithful Pilot, and may have such powers and performs such other duties as herein prescribed. In the absence of the Faithful Friar, performs his duties at assembly meetings.

TRUSTEES The Trustees (normally three) are elected initially for 1, 2, and 3 years, thereafter three years. Together with the Faithful Navigator they are the Board of Trustees. The Board is responsible for auditing the record books of the Faithful Comptroller and Faithful Purser annually (June 30). The Trustees shall before each meeting carefully examine all bills and present same to the Assembly with their recommendation; the approval of at least two members of the Board of Trustees shall be required for the payment of any bills or statements.

Current Assembly Officers

Faithful Navigator	SK R. Wayne Patterson, PFN
Faithful Captain	SK Frank Hare
Faithful Admiral	SK David P. Evers
Faithful Pilot	SK Victor Sogah
Faithful Purser	SK Michael Covey
Faithful Comptroller	SK Bill Richards
Faithful Scribe	SK Vince Pulles
Faithful Inside Sentinel	SK Gordon Pickett Jr
Faithful Outside Sentinel	SK Tom (Doc) Holliday
Faithful 3 year Trustee	SK Kenneth F. Higdon, PFN
Faithful 2 year Trustee	SK Ralph Blamer, PFN
Faithful 1 year Trustee	SK Steve McClellan, PFN

All Positions, with exception of the Faithful Purser, are available for nomination. If you wish to run for an office, come to the May meeting and enter your name.

Faithful Trustees

SK Kenneth F. Higdon, PFN
SK Ralph Blamer, PFN
SK Steve McClellan, PFN

Honor Flight

Our Worthy District Master Chris Bush is again inviting brother Knights in welcoming the return flight of Honor Flight Columbus on Thursday, May 25, 2023.

The estimated time of arrival of the flight is 9:00 PM so please be at the main concourse, ticketing level by 8:30 - 8:45 PM.

On Thursday morning, May 25, 2023, 86 senior Veterans will be staging to launch Mission 122. At 8am, a Southwest Airlines charter jet with 143 plus crew aboard will depart for Washington DC and the Memorials. This mission is sponsored by ALL LIFE FOUNDATION.

That evening, please join us as we deliver an appropriately raucous and patriotic WELCOME HOME to Mission 122 - Flight 8214 estimated arrival time of arrival at 9:00 pm. Help us show these men and women what an expression of our nation's gratitude for the sacrifices that they have given to protect and defend our freedom looks and feels like.

"We can't all be heroes. Some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they go by." - Will Rogers Let's do that. Come join us. Honor. Share. Celebrate. You can't miss us. You won't regret it.

Fourth Degree: Please wear your full uniform with service baldric, gloves, beret, and with SWORDS! SK in tuxedo with social baldric are welcome to participate.

Our worthy District Master would like as many Assemblies represented. NOTE: Sir Knights in full dress uniform will carry the colors.

Third Degree: Knights are also invited to participate and represent their Councils. Please would wear council shirts and bring council banners.

Please contact District Master Chris Bush (cpbush73@gmail.com; (614) 554-8056) with any questions

May 2023	
17	Assembly Meeting
14	Mother's Day
29	Memorial Day
June 2023	
17	Assembly Meeting
14	Flag Day
18	Father's Day

Comments or Articles
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2 Year Trustee	SK Ralph Blamer, PFN (614) 432-6310
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Faithful Patron (faithfulpatronr@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK Tom (Doc) Holliday (6**) 370-2369

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.

SK R. Wayne Patterson
 Faithful Navigator

Prayer Corner

For the Good of the Order: We list and keep in our prayers: Maureen Patterson, Jeff Samborsky, Gene Ebert, Sandra Blamer, Gertrud Christian, Dale Hiscock Family, Melissa Stealgrave, Lou Silverman, Olivia Neill, Steve McClellan, Dominic Nocera, and people who died from gunshots, fire. Our priests, and, of course, our military and veterans.





Knights of Columbus
Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900
Fourth Degree Directive

I, the undersigned Sir Knight, in good standing at this time of my death do designate my participation in one the following programs and by this directive do give permission to so carry out my wishes:

- _____ 1. I choose to have my MEMORIAL PLAQUE and stand presented to my family.
- _____ 2. I choose to have the KOC GRAVE MARKER presented to my family
- _____ 3. I choose to have a DONATION to a charitable organization of my choice. _____

If a directive is not on file at the time of the death of a Sir Knight the Memorial committee will assume that directives 1 or 2 is the choice of the Sir Knight.

_____ My Swords is/are to be given to:

_____ I request the presences of an Honor Guard at the wake/Visitation

Signed this _____ Day of _____ 20_____

Sir Knight _____ / _____

Print Name

Sign Name

Council Number _____

Assembly Number 2900

Please retain a copy of this Directive for your file. Fillable Form

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