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A Privilege to Serve

On the HONOR GUARD

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The Dec meeting will be at the Ozark House. Please let Dennis know if you **are or are not** going to be there, so we can have the proper amount of seats. As long as we have enough people we will have a "private" room at no extra charge. But we must have at least 22-24 people eating

Please RSVP, to Dennis at 309-825-2589. Thank you, but come even if you forget to RSVP, your presence is important and needed.

ARE WE WILLING TO DO THE WORK OF FATHER J. MCGIVNEY
BECOME ACTIVE BY BEING PART OF THE HONOR GUARD
CONTACT CAPT. JOE KLINGLER , HIS NUMBER IS ABOVE

Dues

DUES FOR 2019 are due on or before January 31st, SO 2018 year dues are PAST due. If you have paid, thank you for sending your dues payment. If not, **PLEASE CONSIDER promptly** doing so, send to Bob Wefer at 1313 Joan Way, Normal, IL 61761-3612. Look at your last membership card: if it is for 2018 you will owe only \$25 for 2019 year's

dues. If it is older than 2018, add \$25 dollars for 2018 and 2017 and 2016 then \$20 each additional year you are behind. I am pretty sure we have no one that owes back to 2016. **It is time to get caught up. Your dues enable us to pay our bills and help out others.**

Please let Navigator Dennis OR Comptroller Bob Wefer OR Captain Joe know of any new or changed email addresses or phone numbers. Or if you wished to be added or removed from the Honor Guard list. Or of anyone that should go on our prayer list. **Thank you!**

F.N. Report: Comptroller's Report; We still have a few of our members who need to pay their dues. I think Bob said 1 more member has paid leaving 7 still to pay. Bob said that basically nothing had changed we have 102 members with 32 being Honorary Life and not having to pay dues but some will make a donation, That he had just rec'vd a \$50 donation from an Hon Life member. Dave Woods motion and Dave Kraft 2nd to accept the report, Motion passed.

Purser / Treasurer's Report; As Oct 31st, the bank balances are; Ave Maria Growth Fund: \$13,127.33. Ave Maria Dividend Fund: \$12,046.84. Checking: \$1727.50, chalice Ckg: \$178.25 for a total of: \$1905.75. That with the market fluctuating everyday he can't put a number on it that doesn't change the next day. It is up and down, but that we have lost some and possibly most of the gains this year. But so far for November thru the 8th we had gotten some of our loss back.

Captain's Report: Joe said that he had nothing scheduled or even a tentative scheduling at this moment.

Chalice Report: Mike reported that for Tom Bertrand and Richard Fox and Don Coffey that Fr Stirniman was still researching. That the Joe O'Rourke family has allowed Fr Pica to choose vestments instead of a chalice and we were asked to pay \$350. It was stated by Dennis that this just pushes us to have a discussion and make some decisions as the price of chalices is headed to a point that we can't afford. And at last meeting we were told that Fr Ketchum's Chalice was to go to Dan McShane a 5th year seminarian and is to be given to him before May of 2019. A motion by Dan Pletsch to accept the report and a 2nd by Dave Kraft, Motion passed.

Communications: A couple of pieces from Supreme. One about a seminar in five days and the other the Electronic version of the Knightline and the 4th Degree Newsletter from Spaulding Assembly.

Old Business; We had a good discussion about the Meat Raffle that was suggested by Glen Jacobs, a former 0213 member, who has moved to Springfield. He says they have had great success with it but that every member is expected to sell or buy the tickets. That they cleared \$4000 last spring. Dan Pletsch, Bob Wefer, Matt Ress and Dennis will be the committee working on this and have suggested plan at the next meeting. Glen is supposed to get more details at their meeting Nov 13th and send to Dennis. Motion by Mike Tomlianovich that we do this and a 2nd by Tade Layden, motion passed.

The Dining Out Fund Raiser was then discussed and Rich Staley made a point of letting us know that St Pat's has their council meetings on the first and third Tuesday, so we should avoid those nites if

we expect to get any of them to come to eat. Motion by Rich and a 2nd by Dave Woods. Motion passed. Dennis was asked to set something up and Rich said he wanted to help, we are looking at probably early to mid January and at Portilla's as the restaurant of choice because they will supposedly give us a 20% rebate.

New Business: No one had any new business.

Programs: We have nothing planned at this point other than the above discussions.

For the Good of the Order:

We pray for, Bill Cunningham, who is in Ass't'd Living and Kelly Rudin, wife of a member who has been diagnosed with Crohn's disease. Becky Wilcox, Dan Kraft's fiancé. And Joe Fries is still dealing with a blood issue.

Honor Guards: **Please respond to Captain Joe's requests for honor guards. Please let Joe know if you have an interest, we do have some regalia we will loan or give you.** If you are not receiving the Honor Guard requests by email or otherwise and want to be included let Joe know. (Although that Regalia will be no good after June 30th, 2019 Maybe.) But there was some talk that both types of "uniforms" might be accepted.

Council's activities:

574 (Bloomington):

A perpetual drive for supplies to be donated to the St Vincent de Paul food pantry continues.

Blood Drive Jan 14th , **PLEASE NOTE 1:30** – till **5:45** PM for last appts. Tuesday's we have a Chicken dinner, On **Dec 5th, Wednesday** we have a Tinker's meal, the meal will be Savory Beef Stew, Corn Bread, Salad & Desert, by the Wefer's. The Wed. menu changes as the volunteer cook decides what they are going to prepare. \$7 per meal, kids under 12 years, \$3.00 **THESE MEALS ARE ALWAYS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**, Your support is appreciated. Tell your friends about these meals. Saturday we have Burgers and Corn Dogs & Fries, also open to the public.

4007 Minonk: No response, **10938** El Paso: No Response; **10967** Downs: No response

6498 Epiphany, No Response.

15175 St Patrick's Merna: NO Response but, Council meetings 1st Tuesdays, Rosary at 6:30 PM, all welcome, Business meeting at 7 PM, Social at 8 PM. "SHOULD I CONTINUE TO ASK THESE COUNCILS FOR INPUT?" I almost never even get a reply.

Please remember **to let your FN** Dennis know of things you would like in this newsletter.

What are your thoughts on the above Council Activities? You may have noticed that the various councils very seldom have responded to my requests for news they would like shared. Usually no response of any kind.

Thank you,

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PLEASE THINK ABOUT YOUR INVOLVEMENT, we are continuing to see a decline in participation in all aspects of our work. The meetings and support of the things we try to do to support our church and our Assembly. Please try to attend meetings and to reply to our communications. We do miss you when you don't attend. Thank you.