

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY 0213

FOURTH OF DEGREE SWORD & SCABBARD

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR

ROGER PETRI



Sir Knights of the 4th Degree & Ladies

OFFICERS

PRIVILEGE & SERVICE OF BEING

Faithful Navigator----Roger Petri

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Faithful Admiral-----Dan Pletsch

HONOR GUARD

Faithful Friar-----Fr. Deo.

CALL

Faithful Capt. -----John Schraufnagel

Faithful Captain John Schraufnagel

Faithful Scribe-----

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Faithful Pilot -----

1-309- 275- 7115

Faithful Comptroller—Dennis Fries

Or

Faithful Sentinel-----Rich Staley

Faithful Navigator Roger Petri

1 year Trustee----- Bill Cunningham

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2 year Trustee-----Dave Kraft

1-309-432-2149

3 year Trustee-----Tade Laden

Upcoming events

February 9th K of C Hall

6 P.M. social 6:30 dinner 7P.M. meeting

Order meal from McGivney Grill

Theme Valentine Day *Wear something read for the evening.*

Feb.14 St. Valentine's day

Feb. 22 Ash Wednesday

Men's March Sat. April 14, 2012

LET US BECOME ACTIVE BY DOING HONOR GUARDS





A Prayer for February

Jesus, even in the freshness of morning, it is all too easy to take another day for granted. Help me to savor this moment and to cherish the gift of life, even in difficult times.

I know that your promises are the only guarantees life holds for us. So help me to appreciate what I have, especially the people you have put in my life. May I never lose sight of how precious my time with them really is.

Amen

Dear 4th Degree Sir Knights

December we did not have a meeting due to inclement weather conditions.

We have received a letter from Master Dean R. Salz Master; Illinois District #2. There will a Fourth Degree Exemplification on March 9th and 10th 2012. **The Facilities for the weekend will be Our Lady of the Snows National Shrine.** If we have any candidates, for the Exemplification that are able to go make sure form 4 is filled out, legible and complete. Please call for information and for that weekend and the form. Call F.N. 1 309 432 2149 I'm unable to be there for the exemplification

As Faithful Navigator I have some concern. The Assembly has slipped to some degree in activities with the members in the Knights of Columbus. I do however have hope with each and every brother knight. We do have members that are doing their best in these hard times we are living in. I'm asking you to look at yourself and think how you can help with the future of this *213 KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY* in Bloomington IL...

In the last email I asked the 4th degree members what we could do as a project or a charitable act within the assembly. I hope to receive several ideas but only received one.

What we can we do as assembly? Within our assembly we are 130 strangers from different councils within a certain area. How can we help to become one?

The honor guard is a concern. When the call goes out with the need of honor guards, we go to the computer for names and email addresses to send out the request. The email is the easiest way to inform the members however this does not include members that do not have e-mails therefore I have been thinking about starting a phone tree letting the members that do not have e-mail know of the upcoming honor guard events.



To do this it will take a commitment for those willing to call the members. We need Knights that are available to step up and be part of the honor guard in short notice and in advanced notice. By doing this we all can have the privilege of serving.

With the lack of response by members it has resulted in a situation that happened within the last fraternal year where only two.

Knights volunteered for a visitation, with the shortage of Knights they rotated approximately every half hour for 2-3 hours.

Something to think about! In this fraternal year we have lost two officers, the Faithful Pilot and the Faithful Scribe. In the newsletter I have asked for someone to take the position of Faithful Pilot. No one has yet to notify me of their interest in being the Faithful Pilot however will you help by being the Faithful Scribe? At this time we have 130 4th degree Knights that may or may not have served as officers. Are you willing to volunteer?

With the lack of volunteering I'm very concerned about the upcoming fraternal year. Who will be our future Faithful Pilot? Who will be our future Faithful Scribe? Who will be our future Honor Guards? Who will be our future officers when in need? Will it be you? Will you help keep the organization alive and well? ***Will you serve the Knights of Columbus 213 Assembly?***

Did you forget the dues!

Let's get our dues paid by the end of February. Dues are \$20 per Knight and \$5 for the wife if she belongs to auxiliary. Send dues to the home of Dennis M Fries, 403 E Leland Bloomington IL 61701-5647 ***Gentlemen I would like to see that the dues are paid in one mailing. Please have the courtesy to do so. Thank you if you already paid!***

Words of our Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson: "The Knights must be at the center of this Year of Faith. We have the manpower. We have the resources. Add to these an authentic Christian witness, a Christian hope for a deeper faith formation and a true love of what our Order stands for, and then surely we are the strong right arm of the Church."

Something to think about!

Our True Greatness

Here is a true Israelite. There is no duplicity in him.

John 1:47

Sometimes we sink into a low estimation of our selves. We are not among the powerful of the world. We are not great orators of financiers. We are not beautiful models. We often feel plain and ordinary.

John Neumann suffered a similar fate. Reluctantly, he became the fourth bishop of Philadelphia in 1852. He was criticized for being a poor administrator and a bad manager of finances. A quiet man he was not a good speaker, He was short, not particularly attractive and uncultured. Because of a feeling of inadequacy, he even wrote the Pope and tried to resign.

But Bishop Neumann was a hard worker, rising early to pray and begin his arduous day. Among the people, this simple, honest man had a reputation for holiness.

In 1977, John Neumann was canonized. God saw into his heart and recognized a great soul, This humble, hardworking, pious man reminds us of where our true greatness lies.

Msgr. Stephen J. Rossetti

“Voices of the Saints”

Paul Miki

(1564?-1597)

In 1587 Emperor Hideyoshi ordered the banishment of all Catholic forcing the Jesuit missionaries to operate from hiding. But outright persecution did not break out until late 1596, when Hideyoshi rounded up twenty-six Jesuits, Franciscans, and laypeople and prepared to martyr them.

Among the victims was St. Paul Miki, Jesuit novice who had just completed eleven years of training.

To read more go to book of “Voices of the saint”.

Happy St. Valentine’s Day to the members, their wives and family’s

Good of the order let us remember. Keep in your prayers the religious, our Knights, service men and women who are serving and have served in all wars.

LET ALSO PRAY FOR THE CONVERSION FOR OUR COUNTRY, ENEMIES & NON BELIVERS

Faithful Navigator

Roger Petri

