

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY 0213

FOURTH DEGREE SWORD & SCABBARD

Feb, 2017

Seek Jesus First

**Sir Knights and Ladies of the Fourth Degree**

**A Privilege to Serve**

**On the HONOR GUARD**

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Faithful Inner Sentinel John Foehr

Faithful Outer Sentinel Jared Pletsch

1 year Trustee -----Mike J Tomlianovich

2 year Trustee----- Dave Kraft

3 year Trustee----- Roger Petri

Our next Meeting will be Feb 9th, 2017

Social starting at 6:00 P.M. This will be at Avanti's East Empire St.  
PLEASE R.S.V.P. to me, so we will have enough seating reserved.

*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. ALAN MEISSNER , HIS NUMBER IS ABOVE**

**Dues**

**DUES FOR 2017 are due on or before January 31st** and 2016 years dues are **PAST due**. If you have paid, thank you for sending your dues payment. If not, **PLEASE CONSIDER** doing so, send to Bob Wefer at 1313 Joan Way, Normal, IL 61761-3612.

Look at your last membership card: if it is for 2016 you will owe only \$25 for this year's dues. If it is older than 2016, add \$25 dollars for 2016 and then \$20 each additional year you are behind. **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 Alan 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:** Thank you to those that turned in their Annual Fraternal Activity Survey, it is needed to support our Charitable Organization Status and Tax Exempt Status. Last meeting we discussed a few places to hold our next meetings, Baxter's was suggested for Feb. as even in bad weather it should be accessible. My report for this time was kept short and I asked about new progress on the transfers that have been delayed, We are starting another set of Transfer forms. Dennis has been in touch with the NEW Master about the delays. Tim Salamon, one of the New transfers attended our meeting.

**Comptroller's Report;** Bob reported that he has received \$875 in dues money from 35 members. That 37 members are Honorary and no longer have to pay dues, although some of these members will make donations. That we have a few that are delinquent and hopefully they will get caught up, and that about 37 members in total have yet to pay their dues.

**Purser / Treasurer's Report;**

Checking Cash balance of \$1,686.28; Chalice Fund Balance is \$629.25; the Total is \$1,957.03 We have \$5000 in a CD at 1%, untill June of 2017 and \$5500 earning 1%, in the Money Market, a gain of \$99. The Ave Maria Fund, 1 account has a revised earnings report of 11.1% increasing \$695. The other Ave Maria has earned us 13% or \$451. January newsletter bill of \$22.86 needs to be approved for payment, Motion and Seconded and Approved.

**Captain's Report:** Alan sent word that CCHS is doing a Mass for Respect Life March at 5 PM Jan 24<sup>th</sup> and they want us to do an Honor Guard for it. Please be at St Pat's of Merna by 4:30 to dress. And to reiterate; Epiphany has requested an Honor Guard for Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 for Confirmation and Fr Greg has said that there will be a Bishops Mass coming up in the near future and he would like us to provide an Honor Guard. There is talk of a Bishop's Student Conference in the Fall and we still have Fr Greg's request for an Honor Guard for St. Mary's Sesquicentennial , info to come on both of these.

**Communications;** The Master sent his newsletter and it contained information and application for an Exemplification Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, by the Belleville Council, Our Lady of the Snows, if anyone wants more info contact Dennis. His contact info is on the front page.

**Old Business;** Blood Drive on January 16<sup>th</sup>, at 574 Hall.

**New Business;** WE need to think about our agenda for 2017, are we going to do anything to raise some money towards any charitable activity? We also should think about plans for mid-year and end of the year, we seem to wait to late to get plans made and have time to implement what ever activity we decide to do, we need to have lead time to advertise what we decide to do. Then we need someone to Chair the activity. Then we discussed meeting place suggestions for future meetings, places suggested were Baxter's, Giovanni's in El Paso maybe for March or April, Imperial Gardens, Michael's, Denny's in Bloomington, Fiesto Ranchero, Firehouse Pizza Tim will get more info as to

practicality of this. Also mentioned were Mugsy's, Schooners Maggie Miley's, again the practicality of these last places is in question. Quiet enough that we could actually hold a meeting and hear each other talking is always an issue.

**Programs:** We have nothing planned at this point.

**Honor Guards:** **Please respond to Captain Alan's requests for honor guards. Please let Alan know if you have an interest, we do have some regalia we will loan.** If you are not receiving the Honor Guard requests by email or otherwise and want to be included let Alan know.

### **Council's activities:**

**574** (Bloomington):

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

**Blood drive** –**March 13th , 2017 PLEASE NOTE 1:30 - 5:45** PM for last appts. Tuesdays we have a Chicken dinner, On Wednesday's we have Tinker's meals. The Wed. menu changes from week to week 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 Hot Dogs & Fries, also open to the public. **Blm K of C** will be **hosting Irish Heritage and a band**, "Turas Irish Heritage band, Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, if anyone is interested. Fliers will be at the club or go to; [www.irishheritagesociety.net](http://www.irishheritagesociety.net)

**4007** Minonk: No response, **10938** El Paso: Nothing to report; **10967** Downs: No response

**6498** Epiphany, No response.

**15175** St Patrick's Merna: No Response but Council meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays, Rosary at 6:30 PM, all welcome, Business meeting at 7 PM, Social at 8 PM.

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

**For the Good of the Order;** Fr Greg Ketchum we should keep him in our prayers. Don McHugh is home rebuilding his strength, continue to pray for him and probably for Mary Margaret. Please pray for Joe Fries he is having health issues. And on January 21<sup>st</sup> at Mass, Jan & I & Bob Wefer talked with Anita Everett, Jim has a very serious cancer and needs our prayers.

Closed the meeting at 7:50 PM with our usual prayers.

**REMEMBER** our next meeting will be Feb 9th, at **AVANTI'S** Route 9. Please let Dennis know whether you will need a ride and if you **Are** attending or **Are Not** attending.

There is an Entrance on the side of the building East of the Main front door that will bring you in real close to the Banquet Room.

Thank you

Faithfully, Dennis M. Fries



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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. Thanks