

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY 0213

FOURTH DEGREE SWORD & SCABBARD

January, 2019

Seek Jesus First

Sir Knights and Ladies of the Fourth Degree

A Privilege to Serve

On the HONOR GUARD

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1 year Trustee -----David J Kraft

2 year Trustee----- Roger M Petri

3 year Trustee----- Rich D Staley

The January meeting will be at the Denny's, Oakland Ave at Veteran's. Please let Dennis know if you **are or are not** going to be there, so we can have the proper amount of seats. We are set up to have the Private Room.

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: We chose to have an abbreviated meeting. Both, because of the noise level and because of the Christmas Season. **So much for having a Private Room.** It is a good thing we were not paying extra for the "private room". We basically did the usual opening business, Prayer and pledge, Jared did Roll Call by himself and I asked if everyone was okay for an abbreviated meeting, we would take care of anything that was felt to be pressing. I indicated we had some guests and had Mike Tomlianovich introduce the Deacon to receive the Msgnr Greg chalice and his family and Msgnr Greg's sister and brother families. And Dan & Vicky Pletsch's guests. Without minutes I do not have their names.

Comptroller's Report; Nothing that can't wait.

Purser / Treasurer's Report; As Nov 30th, the bank balances are; Ave Maria Growth Fund: \$13,668.95. Ave Maria Dividend Fund: \$12,619.55. Checking: \$1,738.15, chalice Ckg: \$178.25 for a total of: \$1916.40. These numbers are from the prepared report. Charlie said he had nothing that couldn't wait.

Captain's Report: Joe said that he had scheduled the two Opening ceremonies at IWU, Dec 28th & 29th for Special Olympics. But, now we have a Funeral Hon Guard for Fri 28th for James Boehle, from 4 till 7 PM, at Beck Memorial Home. Emailing details.

Chalice; Mike again introduced Deacon McShane, who has been designated by Monsgr Greg Ketcham's family to receive the Chalice. Mike thanked Msgnr Greg's family and Greg's sister Clarise Presented the chalice to Deacon Dan, who will be ordained May 2019. The McShane family is from Lincoln, IL. No further report at this time.

Communications: skipped this, But, it is time for everyone to report their Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity. **I will try to attach an Individual Worksheet to the newsletter.**

Old Business: It was mentioned that the Dining Out for Donations has a delay because of needing a 501(c)3 certificate.

New Business: No one had any new business.

Programs: skipped this.

For the Good of the Order: Again skipped but from the previous report. We pray for, Bill Cunningham, who is in Asst'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 of the old style 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 **Jan 9th, Wednesday** we have a Tinker's meal, the meal will be a Meat Loaf dinner. by the O'Driscoll crew. The monthly 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. I have not received any answers to this question either, from them or from any 4th degree members.

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,

Dennis M. Fries, FN

Remember that your council will be asking the same questions for their reports which each have to be sent to Supreme. You should divide your \$ and hrs donated between the Council & the Assembly. Use the attached form if I am able to send it, I think I can attach it to the newsletter and then you will have to open the attachment and print it.

We will then have to take your answers and compile them with the other members input to make a completed report. We cannot do it online we have to mail a signed hard copy to Supreme.

And for you that receive this newsletter through the U.S. Mail, I will try to remember to insert it as part of the newsletter. You can bring to our January meeting or mail to Bob Wefer or to me.



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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.