

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY 0213

FOURTH DEGREE SWORD & SCABBARD

March, 2016

Seek Jesus First

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

**A Privilege to Serve**

**On the HONOR GUARD**

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Faithful Friar-----vacant

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Faithful Comptroller—Bob Wefer

Faithful Scribe----- Tade Layden

Faithful Purser----- Charles R. Morton

Faithful Inner Sentinel—John C. Foehr

Faithful Outer Sentinel-Terry L Cochran

1 year Trustee -----Dan Pletsch

2 year Trustee----- Michael J. Tomlianovich

3 year Trustee-----David J. Kraft

Our next Meeting will be March 10th, 2016  
Social starting at 6:00 P.M. dinner approx. 6:30 - 6:45 P.M.  
We will meet at Michael's Restaurant on the Square, Blm., IL

*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 2016 were due January 31st** and last years dues are **PAST due**. If you have paid, thank you for sending your dues payment. If not, **PLEASE CONSIDER** doing so. We have already sent First Notices and next we will send a LATE Notice. We do not want to lose you as a member. **BUT IF YOU ARE MORE THAN 18 MONTHS IN ARREARS WE WILL HAVE TO** unless you contact us. If you have yet to pay your dues, send to Bob Wefer at 1313 Joan Way, Normal, IL 61761-3612. Look at your last



membership card: if it is for 2015 you will owe only \$25 for this year's dues. If it is older than 2015, add \$20 dollars for each year you are behind or contact Bob for the amount you owe. 309-838-1075. **Thank you. Remember dues** went up to **\$25** for 2016. We still have a few delinquent members, and had to drop 6 as they were several years behind. We do still have members that are late in paying 2015 dues and 1 member who owes for 2014 and 2015. **The new billing came out about Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**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:** The Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity was answered by only 5 members besides me, So 6 total, not a very good response from our 109 members. The Report has been completed and mailed. It was due January 31<sup>st</sup>. The Assembly tax return is being prepared and will be ready to mail soon. Member John Conte has gotten his Transfer request back to us and we signed it at the meeting Feb 11<sup>th</sup> and Bob has sent it off to Supreme. The missing 4<sup>th</sup> Degree jewels have been found and will be given to Alan. A question from a couple of members about turning in our Semi-Annual Audit, the answer is we do not have a Semi- Annual Audit, only an Annual Audit for Assemblies. That is due August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year for the year just ending. Still looking for a Chaplain.

**Comptroller's Report;** Bob reported that members have been paying dues most has been reported in tonight's Treasurer's Report , but a few more came in today and this evening. They will be on the next report. 31 members still owe and 12 of them also owe for last year. Several transfers are still in process.

**Purser / Treasurer's Report;** Charlie presented a few bills to pay of which there were four, \$300 for a Chalice and three others totaling \$153.59. Motion to approve and pay the bills by Bob Wefer a second by Dave Kraft, motion passed.

Charlie presented the Treasurer's Report; Cash balance of \$1864.05 Regular Fund and the Chalice Fund has \$1260.42 and the total of both accts is \$3124.47, these numbers are as of the 31<sup>st</sup> of January. Since then more dues and donations has been received. The remaining C.D. will mature on Feb.27<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

**Captain's Report:** We have an Honor Guard on Sunday Feb 14<sup>th</sup> for The Rite of Election at St Pat's of Merna, we had 5 Bloomington and 3 Peoria Spaulding members present. Coming duties; Masrch 24<sup>th</sup> Holy Thursday Adoration, April 12<sup>th</sup> time tba, at St Pat's, Merna, April 17<sup>th</sup> 2 PM Mass at Epiphany and April 26<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary's 7 PM Mass, all for Confirmation. We will have an Honor Guard for Special Olympics for the Spring Games about the end of April.

**Communications:** The Cape and Chapeau, the Master's newsletter has a couple of interesting comments. The first one is that ONLY the Assembly pin with the American flag can be worn on the lapel. And everyGuard has to have the same pin displayed. And the Master is reminding us that we need to be sure to turn in our Fraternal Activities Survey form 1728. Dennis says he has received only two or three of them so far. Remember to keep your time separate for Council and Assembly

volunteering. Also for the rest of your volunteering such as visits to the sick or bereaved just make a guess as to what portion should be council and assembly.

**Old Business:** The Assembly Jewel case and jewels. On Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> I received them.

**New Business;** Discussion led by Charlie about the C.D. that will mature Feb 27<sup>th</sup> and what we might want to do. Summarized by saying that there was motion by Dave that we split the dollars and leave some in a renewed C.D. and the rest put into the Ave Maria Growth fund. The motion passed and will be taken care of when the C.D. matures

## 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.** And if you are not

receiving the Honor Guard requests by email or otherwise and want to be included let Alan know.

Suggestion: Remember Assembly 213 in your will!



## 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 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016, **1:30** - 5:45 P M Tuesdays we have a Chicken dinner only \$7 and Children \$3; Saturday we have Burgers and Hot Dogs & Fries. **THESE MEALS ARE ALWAYS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**, Your support is appreciated. Tell your friends about these meals. **Fish Frys Fridays** in Lent but **NO Tinker's meals** in Lent. **The Shanties** performing after Fish Fry March 11<sup>th</sup>, **Corned Beef March 17<sup>th</sup>** from 11:30 AM till 7 PM

**4007** Minonk: No response **10938** El Paso: No response. **10967** Downs: No response

**6498** Epiphany: Fish Fries on Fridays, Mar 4<sup>th</sup>, & 11<sup>th</sup>. choice of entrée and 2 sides, drink & dessert. Beer sold separately. Price prob in \$8 -\$10 range. Mar 1<sup>st</sup> a **First Degree**; 6:30 PM Parish Hall candidates arrive by 6:15. **Mar 19<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, St Patricks Corned Beef** \$8 advance \$10 at door, KIDS a Hot Dog Dinner \$4 or \$5 at the door

**15175** St Patrick's Merna: Every Friday during Lent Men's Reflection @7:30 AM, Council meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays, Rosary at 6:30 PM, all welcome, Business meeting at 7 PM, Social at 8 PM. Fish Fry every Friday during Lent at Corpus Christi Grade School Cafeteria, \$9 Adult \$5 Children, AYCE Cod, bkd potato, slaw, desert and lemonade or coffee, Kid's menu; pizza, applesauce, goldfish crackers.

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

Thank you, Dennis

**REMEMBER** our next meeting will be March 10<sup>th</sup>. It will be at Michael's Restaurant in Bloomington. Social starting at 6 PM, please let Dennis know whether you **Are** attending or Not attending. Thank you

Mar, 2016



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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 Assembly. Please try to attend meetings and respond to our communications. We do miss you when you don't attend. Thanks