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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY 0213

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FOURTH DEGREE SWORD & SCABBARD

**March, 2017**

Seek Jesus First

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

**A Privilege to Serve**

**On the HONOR GUARD**

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**Officers:**

**Faithful Friar-----Fr Doug**

**Faithful Navigator-----Dennis M Fries**

**Faithful Admiral----- Mike Tomlianovich**

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**Faithful Comptroller-- Bob Wefer**

**Faithful Scribe----- Tade Layden**

**Faithful Purser----- Charles R. Morton**

**Faithful Inner Sentinel John Foehr**

**Faithful Outer Sentinel Jared Pletsch**

**1 year Trustee -----Mike J Tomlianovich**

Our next Meeting will be Mar 9th, 2017  
Social starting at 6:00 P.M. This will be at Giovanni's, in El Paso.  
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:** I talked about having the minutes sent out to all the regular and sometimes meeting attendees, that way everyone has time to read them and submit corrections or additions and have corrected minutes ready with a motion to accept as corrected and save us the time to read and discuss any corrections at the actual meeting. With copies available for any meeting attendees that did not get the emailed minutes. Motion by Rich , 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave, motion passed, Also, that Monsignor Doug Hennessey will be inducted into the "Knight of Knights" in Streator on April first, if anyone is planning on going please let Dave Kraft or I know or your council to get the details, which are not released yet. \$30 for the banquet.

**Comptroller's Report;** Bob reported that he has received \$260 in dues money from 11 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 26 members in total have yet to pay their dues.

### **Purser / Treasurer's Report;**

Checking Cash balance of \$2,467.45; Chalice Fund Balance is \$811.25; the Reg cking acct bal is; \$1656.20. We have \$5000 in a CD at 1%, untill June of 2017 and \$5500 earning 1%, in the Money Market, a gain of \$100. The Ave Maria Fund, 1 account has 7000 dollars earned 12.6% and the other has \$3000 earned 13.4%, this a gain of \$1439 total. February newsletter bill of \$22.86 and \$25 donation to Friar Works needs to be approved for payment, Motion by Rich and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan and Approved.

**Captain's Report:** Alan sent word that 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 but this has been postponed till 2018 Spring. 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. That there is Employment Opportunities for Wounded Warriors, if you know of a Wounded Warrior looking for a job please contact us. Some jobs are in Washington, but some are in Central Illinois offices. We passed around the U.S. postal mailing list for members who do not use email for updating. Got two corrections, thank you.

**Old Business;** Blood Drive on March 13<sup>th</sup>, at 574 Hall. Also, Council 574 is going to use their 2<sup>nd</sup> Fish Fry as a Fund Raiser for St Mary's Sesquicentennial, please support it. Tim was not able to respond yet with information about holding a meeting at Firehouse Restaurant. Comments were made about Avanti's being a good choice for our meeting.

**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. Bob Wefer mentioned St Patrick's Day dispensation that was granted to eat meat on that Friday. It was in the Catholic Post in January.

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

**Honor**                      **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 13<sup>th</sup> , 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 Corn Dogs & Fries, also open to the public. **Blm K of C** will be **hosting the Shanties**, a band on **March 11<sup>th</sup>**, starts 7:30 PM, if anyone is interested.

**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 is continuing to work but we should keep him in our prayers. Jim Everett is having good and bad days, welcomes a visit, but please call first. Closed the meeting at 7:50 PM with our usual prayers.

**REMEMBER** our next meeting will be Mar 9th, at Giovanni's in El Paso. Please let Dennis know whether you will need a ride and if you **Are** attending or **Are Not** attending.

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**