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Dear Brother Sir Knights

As your Pilot and Commander during this past fraternal year I thank you for your support. We have met and exceeded many opportunities, wakes, parades, processions, and confirmations. As your Faithful Navigator and with your support, Lady Sandy and I shall continue serve to you faithfully during this upcoming year.

This month we celebrate Independence Day, the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring independence from the Kingdom of Great Britain. Then, reminiscent of Peril Harbor and the World Trade Center Patriotism, loyalty to our Nation, spread through out the population. Patriotism is having a grateful heart, a concern for our fighting men, Duty, Honor and Country. Our veterans have and still are giving their all. Question is how does our assembly administer to our veterans and what patriotic project will our Assembly tackle this year?

Growth in our Assembly Membership is also a main concern. The ENTIRE assembly must be directly involved. Those who don't recruit directly can assist by identifying prospective members. We are all 4th Degree representatives with in our councils and have within the council a liaison to promote 4th Degree activities. Our goal this year will be double our supreme requirement. I ask each of you to build a prospective list, sponsor or conduct recruitment invitation programs, an open house with in your councils and schedule a time with the Council Grand Knight to show a video and pass out membership flyers at council meetings. The 4th Degree Color Corps is the visual arm of our order and our prime tool for recruitment. When we make ourselves available and participate in regalia functions such as confirmations, 1st communions, wakes, parades, and civic functions we promoting the 4th Degree of our order.

Installation of Officers for Assembly 809, 2727, 2380 and 2900 will be conducted on Saturday, 15 July 2006 following the 5 PM Mass at St Pius X Church, 1061 Waggoner Rd, Reynoldsburg, Ohio. Dress code is Tuxedo and Social Baldric for Mass and Military Baldric, Sword and Gloves for Officers being installed during the ceremony. Dinner will follow at the MCL Cafeteria, 5240 E Main St Columbus, OH 43213, just west of I-270. I encourage all assembly members to attend the 5PM Mass and the installation of officers. This is a significant and meaningful event for your assembly officers. This is also a great opportunity to meet the officers and members of assemblies 809, 2727 and 2380. To accomplish our goals of veteran support and promote membership our assemblies should work together, act as a single unit and coordinate Columbus area activities.

Another opportunity to share brotherhood with other Columbus area 4th degree knights is to attend Assembly 809's Top of the Month Dinner. I will not long forget the last TOTM dinner I attended with Joe and Lorraine Rossi present. We were all in good spirits and truly enjoyed ourselves. There will not be TOTM dinner in July so our next opportunity to enjoy fraternal comradeship is 7 August 2006 at Barley's Smokehouse on Dublin road. Come join us! Please call Charlene, at (614) 860-1855 or you can e-mail her at core.home@juno.com to let her know if you are coming so she can give the restaurant an estimate of how many to expect.

Remember we hold our meetings on the third Wednesday of the month starting at 6:30 pm. This is the social part of the meeting ... **bring the family!** Then at 7:30 pm we start the business meeting. Attendance at our Monthly meeting has been outstanding and I encourage all to attend our next meeting. We will be nominating and electing our Faithful Captain for this fraternal year. The Faithful Captain performs the duties of the Faithful Navigator in his absence and is responsible to assure a good attendance and to take direct charge of all activities social and otherwise under that portion of the order of business known as good of the order.

Stay in touch with assembly activities through our Web site at <http://www.kofcassembly2900.org> and our assembly email information network. My Email address is: jlowery@insight.rr.com. I also invite you to browse through your KofC State Council at <http://kofcoho.org> as well as the Ohio State District Masters web page at <http://kofcoho.org/master>.

Fraternally Yours in Christ

Jerry J. Lowery, Sr.

Past Faithful Navigator

2900 Assembly News

Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900, Pickerington, Ohio USA

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Brother Sir Knights and Ladies:

For the July Social meeting ... dessert night. Everyone bring their favorite dessert to share. The Social starts at 6:30 pm.

I would also like to announce that we have a change in ordering shirts, Pat has asked me lend him a hand. So anyone ordering a shirt will now order them through me ... for the time being. Fill out the form and make your checks out to "Quality Stitch" and give them to me.

Jesus Garcia, PFN

**Why me, Lord?
Why Not?**

Dear Brother Knights,

I am writing my first article as your Past Faithful Navigator/Faithful Admiral. I want to thank everyone that supported me while in the position. It has been a good year for a brand new Assembly. I wish Jerry Lowery and the new officers the best of luck in the upcoming year ...

It was a hard year, I started off the Assembly with the loss of my brother Paul and finished with loss my dear friend SK Joe Rossi. The first week of June will always have both Paul and Joe in my thoughts and prayers.

I miss my brother ... and I know all us miss Joe. My brother did some work for Joe, so they knew each other, so I am sure that they are together watching us ...

Joe was great, he was my reason for joining the fourth degree. Everyone who knew Joe can relate to how he could affect your life. Joe and Lorraine invited my family to be part of their family. It was like having family away from home ... as you know both Lady Lucretia and my family are in Dayton so the family was not that far but far enough to feel out of touch in a way. It was nice to have someplace to hang out. Joe was also a great friend, some one you could talk to and get the advice and help when you needed it. This was person you wanted to spend time with.

I would like to thank all the Sir Knights that honored Joe at the wake and funeral Mass. It was a great turn out and was truly impressive. The family knew that Joe loved the Knights and we showed them that we loved Joe and that he will be missed.

As your Faithful Admiral I am responsible for membership and will keep you informed on what is going on in this area ... but for now I will let you know that there will be more to come. Recruitment should be year round not just before the Exemplification

Jesus Garcia, PFN

Faithful Admiral



Tuxedo's Available ...

The Assembly has three tuxedos that are available for either a new member or if someone that needs a new one.

The sizes are 42 L, 44L and 50L. Plus shirts and shoes.

Jesus Garcia, PFN

Faithful Admiral

Fr Michael J. McGivney Guild

For information on the founder of the Knights of Columbus, please visit the following website:

<http://kofc.org/about/history/founder/index.cfm>

To join the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild, please visit the following website:

<http://kofc.org/about/history/founder/participate/index.cfm>



Business Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2006

Meeting opened at: 7:36PM

Roll of Officers:

Faithful Captain; Faithful Purser; Faithful Trustee 1 year were excused. All other Officers were present.

Reading of Minutes: A motion was made to accept the minutes as published. This motion was seconded and passed.

Faithful Friar's Report: No Report

Faithful Navigator Report:

The Faithful Navigator thanked everyone who turned out for SK Joe Rossi's funeral. It was a great turn out and both Lorraine and the family appreciated the support. A couple family members commented that they knew that Joe was involved but they did not really understand what it was all about. The Faithful Navigator welcomed all the new members that went through last months Exemplification. Five new members were in attendance at the meeting. The Faithful Navigator as all to please make sure and read his article in the newsletter from last month. The Faithful Navigator the invited the Faithful Scribe to explain the directives and their importance.

Reading of Bills and Communications:

Communications: We received an inquiry from George Williams about the nearest assembly which was unintentionally sent to Supreme.

Bills: Supplies for the Exempt; Baked Goods for Sunday; Chalice Fund Donation

Faithful Captain's Report: No Report

Faithful Pilot's Report:

Tue. 7/4/06 - 1:00pm - Reynoldsburg, 4th of July Parade

Sat. 7/15/06 - St. Pious - After 5:00 Mass - Installation of officers for all Assemblies. Dinner at MCL afterward

Faithful Admiral's Report: The Faithful Admiral expressed his thanks to Jerry Lowery for acting as Marshall at PFN Joe Rossi' funeral.

Reading of Applications: 1 transfer – John Siebert from 809 to 2900.

Faithful Comptrollers Report:

79 Members, 72 Regular, 3 Honorary, 2 Clergy, 2 Deceased

The Comptroller also had card for all the new members brought in at the exemplification.

Faithful Pursers Report: Report as submitted

Faithful Scribe's Report: No Report

Report of Committees:

Golf Outing: The Golf outing will be on Oct. 1 at Cumberland Trails. John Trainer will be this years Co Chair with Bud Joos. The Cost will be \$60.00 each or \$240.00 per team. There will be a limit of 80 players this year due to other events going on at the course. We are in need of grounds persons for the tee signs, and prizes. The Kitchen will need 4 or 5 helpers there. Bernie will

once again be running the kitchen at the PAC. It was recommended that we solicit politicians for hole sponsorship as the outing will be near election time. The Faithful Navigator recommended that we name this years outing the Joe Rossi memorial tournament. This idea was accepted by all and it was suggested that we dedicate the outing each year.

Unfinished Business:

Memorial. The memorial plaque was ordered. The name plates will be raised lettered about 5/8" high and 61/2" long. We have already place an order for Larry Lotz and Joe Rossi. We will need volunteers to assist in moving the monument when it is ready. We will have a ceremony for the dedication of the stone and the placing of the names once ready. For funding we have a \$XXX donation from 11187, \$XXX in our fund and the rest will be provided by an anonymous donor.

Flag/Banner: - No report

Report of the Trustees: - No Report

New Business:

Memorial Plate Cost: A motion was made by Lee Brock to increase the donation amount on the directive for Memorial name plaques from \$50.00 to \$75.00. The motion was seconded by Bog Glavin. The floor was opened for discussion. With no discussion the vote was called and the motion was passed. The on line directives will be revised as will those in the newsletter.

Nomination of officers: Due to personal reasons the Captain has had to step down so the floor was opened for nominations for Captain. Lee Brock made a motion to nominate Brett Baxter which was seconded. Jerry Lowery made a motion to nominate Shawn Ansboro. For 1st year Trustee Lee Brock nominated Bog Glavin. These nominations will be published and the election held at the next meeting. If there are any further nominations they may be made at the meeting.

Report of the Third Degree: No report

Good of the Order: Maureen Patterson, Aunt Gloria Chickletts, John Carney, Patricia Lunsford, Aurelia M. Ebert, PGK Bob Fuchs of 5253, Tom Crook Family, Ed Loch, Herman Ochs, Maria and Charlie Giametta, Joe and Lorraine Rossi and Family; our priests and laypeople, all our military past and present.

Passing the jewels: The Faithful Navigator offered his Thanks for the past year and ended the meeting by passing a special Faithful Navigator Jewel and the gavel to Jerry Lowery the new Faithful Navigator so that he could perform his first duties and close the meeting. Both Jesse and Jerry were thanked and welcomed with a round of applause.

Faithful Patron: Deacon Hector Raymond read a moving poem from a friend Baxter Black about friendship.

Meeting Closed at 8:38

50/50 Winner: Terry Reine

Terry Reine

Faithful Scribe

The First Fourth of July

Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence? Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army, another had two sons captured. Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War. They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. What kind of men were they? Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners; men of means, well educated. But they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags. Thomas McKean was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward. Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton. At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt. Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished. A few weeks later he died from exhaustion and a broken heart. Norris and Livingston suffered similar fates.

Such were the stories and sacrifices of the American Revolution. These were not wild eyed, rabble-rousing ruffians. They were soft-spoken men of means and education. They had security, but they valued liberty more. Standing tall, straight, and unwavering, they pledged: "For the support of this declaration, with firm reliance on the protection of the divine providence, we mutually pledge to each other, our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor." They gave you and me a free and independent America. The history books never told you a lot of what happened in the Revolutionary War. We didn't just fight the British. We were British subjects at that time and we fought our own government! Some of us take these liberties so much for granted...We shouldn't. So, take a couple of minutes while enjoying your 4th of July holiday and silently thank these patriots. It's not much to ask for the price they paid.

We would all be well advised and well served to thank these great men, and it wouldn't hurt to pull out that great document, from time to time, and read it again. These men gave so much, often they gave all, and so many today can not even take the time to exercise their right to vote, bought at such a price. I can only wonder, what these men would say if they could witness the state of our Republic in 1999.

I feel they might ask; "When did America lose the war?"

Gary Hildreth



Fourth Degree Assembly 2900 Shirts

Are you looking to purchase the nicely embroidered Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900 shirts soon to be worn by many of the members? No need to fret, fill out this form and return it to Pat Cleary's mailbox with a check for the shirts and you too will look fashionable at all of the Council and Assembly functions.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: "Quality Stitch" and drop in **Jesus Garcia's** church mailbox

Name _____

	<u>QTY</u>		<u>Cost</u>		<u>Total</u>
Polo _____	x		\$30.00	=	_____
Dress Oxford _____	x		\$30.00	=	_____
Oxford only: Long Sleeve <input type="checkbox"/>	Short sleeve <input type="checkbox"/>		Total		_____

Circle Shirt Size: **MED LRG XL 2X 3X** (circle size)



Knights of Columbus

Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900

Fourth Degree Directive



Faithful Scribe;

I, the undersigned Sir Knight, in good standing at the time of my death do designate my participation in one of the following programs and by this directive do give permission to so carry out my wishes:

- 1 Let the Chalice fund committee choose a suitable recipient for my chalice.
- 2 Let the Chalice fund committee donate a like sum of money to a religious charity of their choice
- 3 Let the Chalice fund committee donate a like sum of money to a religious charity of their choice clergyman, a church or institution of my choice. I designate the following:

- 4 Present a like sum of money from the fund to a religious organization such as the and Father Harwick Fund or to a retirement fund to benefit or religious people (priests, nuns the like). I designate the following:

If a directive is not on file at the time of the death of a Sir Knight the Chalice Fund committee will assume that directives 1 or 2 is the choice of the Sir Knight.

- It is also my wish that my cape and/or chapeaux be given to the Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900 of the Knights of Columbus so as to add my name to the plaque at the Assembly memorial
- In lieu of donating my cape and/or chapeaux, I will make a donation of \$75.00 as to add my name to the plaque at the Assembly memorial
- My Sword is to be given to:

- I request the presences of an Honor Guard at the wake/visitation

Signed this _____ Day of _____ 20____

Sir Knight _____

Council Number _____

Assembly Number 2900



Please retain a copy of this Directive for your file.

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July 2006	
4	HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA
4	Reynoldsburg 4th of July Parade
15	Installation of Officers St. Pius after 5:00 Mass
19	Social and Business Meeting 6:30 pm
August 2006	
16	Social and Business Meeting 6:30 pm

Meeting Reminder - OFFICERS

Any Officer who cannot attend any up-coming meeting needs to call or email me. If no call or email is received, you will be marked as unexcused/absent.

Jerry Lowery
 Faithful Navigator

2006/07 Officers Phone List

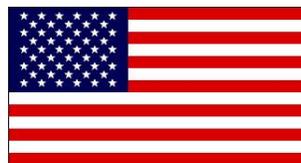
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<u>Faithful Commander</u> Carey Hisey	(614)
<u>Faithful Patron</u>	

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Prayer Corner



Maureen Patterson, Aunt Gloria Chickletts, John Carney, Patricia Lunsford, Aurelia M. Ebert, PGK Bob Fuchs of 5253, Tom Crook Family, Ed Loch, Herman Ochs, Maria and Charlie Giametta, Joe and Lorraine Rossi and Family; our priests and laypeople, all our military past and present.