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## Have a Blessed Christmas

### 2900 Assembly News

Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900, Pickerington, Ohio USA



*Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to men of good will.*



## Dear Brother SKs and Ladies:

The first item that I want to highlight in this report is that the next meeting of the Assembly will be held on the planned date (December 19<sup>th</sup>). However, the meeting will only include the Social part of the activity (i.e. no Business part) as was motioned and passed during the November meeting.

The Memorial Masses of Council 11187, on November 10<sup>th</sup>, and Council 5253, on November 11<sup>th</sup>, were very "moving" (especially Seton Parish's) and if you missed them, please attend next time!!

As was noted in last month's report, a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification was held on November 17<sup>th</sup> in Marietta Ohio. There were 25 candidates that participated in the ceremony, unfortunately none from our Councils. A considerable number of Sir Knights in full regalia also participated in the ceremony. The other activities of the program were carried out satisfactorily.

Another November activity, which occurred on the 19<sup>th</sup>, was a "Celebration in Thanksgiving" Reception which was sponsored by the Office of Religious Education and Catechesis to thank the Knights of Columbus for our 40+ years of Continuing Generosity. This was attended by Grand Knights from Council 5253, Steve McClellan, and 11187, George Schneider and his wife Carole, and myself, as well as a few more from Assembly 2900. The reception was held at The Catholic Center on Gay Street with The Most Reverend Bishop Campbell in attendance.

The other "important" activity of the November month was the drawing of the winner of our Assembly Raffle during our business meeting. (Further info in the Faithful Admiral report)

The last activity I'd like to highlight again is the 2-day trip to Washington, D.C. for the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual March for Life which will occur on January 25, 2013. An overnight 2-day bus trip is being planned by St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. Further information about this trip can be found in this or the last newsletter.

In this Advent Time, there are many worship opportunities, beginning with the Masses of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Friday December 7<sup>th</sup> and Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> and ending with the Masses of the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God on Monday December 31<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday January 1<sup>st</sup>, with the Christmas Masses in between. Hope to see you in at least some of these Masses!!

As I was finalizing this report, a letter from Traci Washington, the Chief of Voluntary Services at the Chalmers P. Wylie VA Ambulatory Care Center, was forwarded by Jerry Lowery to Faithful Admiral Charlie Higdon and myself. The letter was in response to a letter from Jerry asking if they had a project in need of financial support. Traci's letter highlighted the Veterans Family Holiday Party being held on December 15<sup>th</sup> by them and VAVS. Jerry recommended to Charlie and me that a donation of \$500 from the Assembly portion of the Raffle money be sent to support this activity of our local VA Clinic. Charlie and I both concurred with his recommendation and an e-mail was sent to the Assembly officers seeking their concur/non-concur response.

*SK Gordon Pickett*

Faithful Navigator

## Business Meeting Minutes - November 28, 2012

Meeting commenced at exactly 7:30PM by F.N. Gordon Pickett.

**Roll of Officers:** Faithful Friar - excused

**Reading of minutes:** The minutes were motioned to be approved as entered by Shawn Ansbro, seconded by Fred Barwick, voted on and passed.

**District Master's Report:** No report!

**Faithful Friar's Report:** No report!

**Bills and Communications:** Bills were motioned by Shawn Ansbro and seconded by C.W. Higdon to be sent on for review and payment to the Trustees. This was voted on, approved, and completed.

Faithful Navigator Sir Knight Gordon Pickett had no communications to read.

**Faithful Navigator's Report:** Faithful Navigator Gordon Pickett then continued with the Navigator's report, but stated that with nothing major to add, he would continue on with the meeting to make it shorter.

**Faithful Captain's Report:** Faithful Captain Sir Knight Steve Dodaro then informed all that:

The Dinner/Dance for the Assembly...tentatively scheduled for 2/14/13 at the 94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron...was not possible due to no band or available room at the 94<sup>th</sup>. He will look in to 2/28 as an alternate solution. Stay tuned.

Consideration is being given for funds from the Captain's fund to be used for new members at the exemplification on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

Next month, the Holiday Meal will be Ham. Please consider bringing the appropriate sides and fixings.

**Faithful Comptroller's Report:** Faithful Comptroller Sir Knight Terry Reine then reported that the bills would be distributed for the next year soon. A request to update all email addresses will be included. Please send the completed emails back ASAP for us to continue to keep contact with our people.

**Faithful Scribe:** No report.

**Faithful Purser's Report:** Faithful Purser Sir Knight Gordon Burke reported that we are still financially sound.

**Faithful Pilot's Report:** Faithful Pilot Sir Knight Gene Ebert then asked all to login to the Assembly Web site and sign up to volunteer for functions to which you plan to attend in regalia. This will help us determine whether events will be held or if others need to be called to assist.

**Faithful Admiral's Report:** The Faithful Admiral Sir Knight C.W. Higdon reported that the Assembly Raffle was conducted and Tim Bowie was the winner! Congratulations Tim and family. C.W. continued with thanks to Shawn Ansbro for printing all of the tickets. All tickets were present and accounted for at the drawing. They will remain in the control of the Comptroller until the next audit. We must especially thank the three members of the Assembly who sold 40% of the tickets.

Discussion then ensued on moving \$\$\$ into the VA fund.

*Business Meeting Minutes (Continued on page 3)*

The report ended with congratulations and appreciation being acknowledged to C.W. Higdon for masterfully running the raffle.

**Report of Trustees:** No report

**Report of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree:** St. Pius reported of their Breakfast with Santa scheduled for 12/1 and a Holiday Dinner scheduled for the same day at 5:00 p.m. The blood mobile is also set to visit Pius on 12/20 ... come get stuck. And notice was also taken of Sir Knight Jerry Lowery needing to remain "down south" as his Lady Knight suffered a fall off her horse and is unable to travel home just yet due to injuries! Heal well and quickly, Sandy!

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton reported their Breakfast with Santa is scheduled for 12/9.

**Old Business:** Sir Knight Bog Glavan then reported on the success of the Memorial Service for our deceased brethren held at Seton and acknowledged the effort of those involved. He announced we may try the same ceremony next year at St. Pius. Bog was commended by all for his efforts in putting this ceremony together. There is talk of running these Memorial Services city-wide for different councils.

We were reminded to bring in items for distribution to the VA at the Holiday Party.

**New Business:** A proposal was made by Shawn Ansbro and seconded by Bog Glavan to cancel the meeting portion of the December Assembly Meeting and simply celebrate the season with our Brothers. Some quick discussion was held before the motion was voted on and passed. See you at the party!

An issue of the newsletter and minutes not being posted to the Assembly site was presented. Brett Baxter and Jerry Lowery will be contacted to resolve this issue.

Bud Joos provided information for his new email address as well.

**Good of the Order:** Under the Good of the Order we ask prayers for: Jeff Samborsky, Robert Smithberger, Christopher Burke, Roscoe Norris, John Curtis Norris, Charles Higdon Jr., Debbie Bogos, Sandy Lowery, and all of our priests and military.

**Patron's Report:** No report.

**Pennies for Heaven:** \$XX were collected and turned in.

**The 50/50 Drawing Winner:** Lou Borth won, but was not present for collection.

The meeting was called to a close at 8:03 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

*Mike Croyle*

Faithful Scribe

## Pilot's Report

Editor's Note: Pilot's schedule  
<http://www.kofccolumbus.org/PilotsReport.htm>

The link to the Pilot's report gives the latest news and events. Email alerts are sent out when events arise that are not scheduled

*Brett Gissel*

Faithful Pilot

## Assembly 2900 Veterans Fundraiser

Our annual fundraiser to raise money for our various veterans' projects is completed and was very successful. Sir Knight Tim Bowie won the grand prize.

Thanks to all who participated and congratulations to Tim.

*C W Higdon,*

Faithful Admiral

## Respect Life: March for Life 2013

Life can be crazy - sometimes you just can not figure it out. At this time last year we were on the verge of having to cancel the bus trip to DC for the March for Life because we did not have the 40 person minimum needed to run the trip. Even though we were a couple of people short by the Dec 15 deadline, I decided to go ahead with the trip, hoping that more would sign up. We eventually went with 41 people, just barely over the minimum, but had a great trip.

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The Seton Parish Youth (SPY) group has reserved 20 seats on the bus - 14 youth and 6 chaperones. We also have the youth group from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Buckeye Lake coming with us - another 8 youth and 4 chaperones, including their pastor. We are looking forward to having them join us. One of the main reasons we sponsor this trip is for the youth, so it is wonderful to have so many youth on board. It is an experience they will remember forever.

Our Council's support of the bus trip and the donation to help offset the cost of the SPY students really helps make this trip successful, so a big **THANK YOU** to the entire Council!

To everyone in our Council and Assembly: Have a **Merry and Blessed Christmas** and a **Happy and Holy New Year!**

*Edd Chinnock*

Respect Life Coordinator

## Captain's Report

Ham will be the meat for our December meal. All are asked to bring *unwrapped* packs of stamps, envelopes, deodorant, underwear, socks, and toiletries to be donated to the patients at the VA hospital. A more comprehensive list of appropriate donation items can be found at our web site at [www.kofcassembly2900.org](http://www.kofcassembly2900.org).

Thanks all. *Steve Dodaro*

Faithful Captain



In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary.

And coming to her, he said, "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you."

But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.

Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Luke 1:26-33



*Annunciation to Mary*



*Annunciation to Joseph*

...the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her..."

Matthew 1:20



The Annunciation of Christ's Birth to the Shepherds

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock.

The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear.

The angel said to them,

"Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."

Luke 2:9-12



*The Magi Follow the Star*

Then Herod called the Magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage."

After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.

They were overjoyed at seeing the star and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

Matthew 2:7-12

## Assembly Shirts:

The polo or dress shirts can now be ordered through Council 11187, the cost remains the same and should provide a quicker turn around time.

Please contact Mark Borys at (740) 862-6142 or by email at markb@copper.net to place your order.

*Jesus Garcia*

## Know your Knight

No submitted article this month



Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900 meets at  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish  
600 Hill Road, North in Pickerington OH.  
Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of  
each month



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## December 2012

*Our windows are adorned  
With stained glass suncatchers  
There are remembrances of many events  
Some were sent to us by you our friends.*

*These suncatchers are most beautiful  
When sunlight is transformed into a myriad  
Of rainbow reflections on the kitchen table  
As we are enjoying breakfast.*

*Your smiles and your laughter  
That we have enjoyed over the years  
Make you my personal suncatchers  
That we do not require the sun;  
Because the light from within you  
Is all I need to brighten each day*

*May your Holidays be bright  
And your year be cheery!*

*Bud Joos*

Lecturer.

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*Edd Chinnock*

Respect Life Coordinator

### For more information on Pro-Life Activities

Email us at [prolife@usccb.org](mailto:prolife@usccb.org)  
Pro-Life Activities  
3211 4th Street, N.E.,  
Washington DC 20017-1194  
(202) 541-3000

December 2012	
18	Assembly Business Meeting and Social
25	MERRY CHRISTMAS
31	New Years Eve
January 2013	
16	Assembly Business Meeting and Social
1	Happy New Year

**ATTENTION:**

As a reminder, articles for the newsletter are due by the 25th of each month. This allows time for layout and editing and allows the newsletter to be sent out before activities for the month take place.

Thank you for the help in this matter.

*Jesus V Garcia III*, PFN  
 Newsletter Editor

*Meeting Reminder - OFFICERS*

Any Officer that can not attend the up-coming meeting needs to call or email me. If no call or email is received you will be marked as unexcused/absent.

*Gordon Pickett*  
 Your Faithful Navigator



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Maureen Patterson, Dave Adams, Amanda Hague, Jeff Samborsky, Chris burke, Bud Joos, C.W. Higdon, Jr., Ruth Giesek, Kemper Hensley (now deceased), Martin Croyle, Tim Hickey, and our priests and military.

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