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Dear Brother Sir Knights and Ladies:

“Tis the Month of Our Mother the blessed and beautiful days” begins my favorite Marian hymn. The month of May is dedicated to our Blessed Mother. And as our order’s patroness, we all should recommit ourselves to her loving care. One of the many ways we can do this is to try, especially this month, to ask her intercession by saying our rosary each day.

Also this month, many of our children and grand children will be making their first Holy Communion. What a wonderful opportunity for all of us to recall our first communion and recapture that feeling each time we receive the sacrament. Further, we as fourth degree Knights will be called upon to lend our presence the parish so as to enhance the majesty and awe for those youngsters who are receiving this sacrament for the first time. We can do this by responding in full regalia to requests from our parishes.

On May 28th we observe Memorial day. There will be a number of opportunities for us to demonstrate our patriotism as the visible arm of our order by participating in one or more of the many parades and similar functions around the central Ohio area. (See our Faithful Pilot’s report for opportunities to serve.)

May 27th marks the end of the Easter season and we celebrate the birthday of our Church. Pentecost (meaning the 50th day), we recall the church, through the apostles, receiving the Holy Spirit.

Just as a reminder, at our May 16th meeting we will be conducting elections of officers for the fraternal year beginning July 1, 2012. Nominations to date are noted elsewhere in this newsletter. Further nominations will be received at that meeting immediately prior to commencement of voting. I urge every Sir Knight in the Assembly to prayerfully consider holding an office in your assembly. Pease make every effort to attend this especially important meeting.

Finally, our Ohio District 3 Exemplification on April 28th went extremely well. Master Giametta and his staff, as well as the degree team, presented a truly remarkable program. There were over seventy candidates who became Sir Knights - many of whom were seminarians from the Pontifical College Josephium. Additionally, our Assembly received a new Sir Knight, Mike Sillings and his Lady Danielle. Their daughter Emma and Lady Danielle’s parents Joe and Rosemary drove over from Pittsburg to join us for the Master’s banquet.

Fraternally,

C. W. Higdon

Faithful Navigator



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Business Meeting Minutes - April 18, 2012

Meeting commenced at exactly 7:30PM by F.N. Charlie Higdon.

Roll of Officers:

Faithful Friar, Faithful Trustee, Faithful Outer Sentinel: Excused

Reading of minutes: The minutes were motioned to be approved as entered, seconded, voted on and passed.

District Master's Report: District Master Charlie Giametta first thanked everyone who responded to the request of attending the funeral of Lynn Fitzgerald with 42 at the showing and 23 assisting with the funeral. It was greatly appreciated. Then he spoke on the exemplification scheduled for April 27th and 28th. You can still attend if you wish! Finally, he announced about a State Wide function scheduled for June 14 for Flag Day. It will be held at Bishop Hartley High School beginning at 6:00PM.

Faithful Friar's Report: No report

Bills and Communications: The only bills turned in were for the Captain's dinner amounting to ~\$41.00. This was then moved to be sent on for review and payment to the trustees.

Faithful Navigator's Report:

Faithful Navigator Charlie Higdon spoke next:

He first took time to finally award Past Faithful navigator Bog Glavan for his pin honoring his service.

Then next topic was the Exemplification and the Dance for April 27th and 28th.

C.W. then reminded all that newsletter articles are to be in to Jesse Garcia by the 25th of each month to ensure prompt publication.

Faithful Captain's Report: Faithful Captain Gordon Pickett then informed all of the attendance and take from tonight's meal. Thirty four Sir Knights and Ladies attended. \$XX was collected from donations to offset costs of \$XXXX ... resulting in a decent profit. You are doing a great job, Gordon. The May meeting is not scheduled for food as it is too close to some other celebrations and events. Salads are set for June dinner menu.

Faithful Comptroller's Report: No report.

Faithful Scribe: No report ... but all are reminded to turn in directives as to how and where to distribute their regalia when that time comes necessary.

Faithful Purser's Report: Faithful Purser Gordon Burke next outlined our profit/loss statement. We are still financially sound.

Faithful Pilot's Report: Faithful Pilot Gene Ebert then listed activities in which to be involved over the next month. These are available on the State Website, but include:

April 23rd. A visit from the Archbishop to Columbus. He is second in command to the Pope and will be at St. Charles Prep for the visit. Gathering time is 6:00PM!

April 27th and 28th is the exemplification at Cherry Valley Lodge. Many communions and confirmations are scheduled this month and next, as you can imagine. PLEASE ... assist when you can!

Our pilot then mentioned a special project "Shoe Boxes for Soldiers" run by the Blue Star Mothers of America and other groups. If anyone wishes to be involved, please contact Carrie Ebert or call 614-832-3838.

As mentioned earlier we are also asked to be involved in the Flag Day Ceremony on June 14th at Bishop Hartley beginning at 6:00PM.

Faithful Admiral's Report: No report

Report of Committees: The Fund Raiser Committee then spoke of the possibilities to consider in that realm. Brother John Samborsky reviewed the options of a raffle, a car show or a steak dinner and their projected costs and profit range. Brother Shawn Ansbro then made a motion for us to pursue a Raffle as our fund raiser project. Two hundred tickets will be sold at ten dollars each. The winning prize will be \$1000 with the remainder (after printing costs) will be our profit. The sales will run from September thru October with the drawing in November. John Samborsky seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed.

Report of Trustees: The Trustees then gave an update on the slate of officers for the next fiscal year. The tentative slate is listed below. Anyone can nominate themselves or another deserving Sir Knight if they wish. The slate is:

Faithful Navigator – Gordon Pickett

Faithful Admiral – C.W. Higdon

Faithful Pilot – Gene Ebert

Faithful Captain – Mike Draught, Steve Dodaro

Faithful Purser – Gordon Burke

Faithful Comptroller – Terry Reine

Faithful Inner Sentinel – Frank Hare

Faithful Outer Sentinel – Fred Barwick

Faithful Scribe – Mike Croyle

Faithful Trustee One Year - Bog Glavan

Faithful Trustee Two Year – John Samborsky

Faithful Trustee Three Year – Bud Joos

Report of the 3rd Degree: The third degrees then gave a report on their successes with Fish Fries, Blue Coat Dinners and upcoming confirmations and communions.

Old Business: Managed under committees

New Business: A request from the State council was made ... then withdrawn after discussion ... to donate funds for the State Convention in Cincinnati for the Hospitality suite.

Another request to donate \$XX for an advertisement for the ad book distributed at the state convention was discussed and denied. The deciding reason was our commitment to not double-dip from Council and Assembly funds.

Good of the Order: Under the good of the order we ask prayers for: Jeff Samborsky, District Deputy Tim Hickey, Fr. Frank Higdon, Charles Higdon Jr., Norbert Smithberger (eye surgery), Maureen Patterson, Margie Patterson, Mary McComb, Martin Croyle, Fr. Shawn Cocran, Debbie Boggs, Lee Brock, Lynn Fitzpatrick, Kemper Hensley, and our priests and military

New Knight Intro: Mike Sillings was also invited into our meeting to introduce himself. He is to complete his 4th degree by the time of your reading this. Mike works in Dialysis and enjoys bringing peace to those suffering. He is married to Danielle and has one daughter. He is already actively involved in Council 11187 as an officer and is running their State Bonanza program. He is also intending to serve as their Membership Chair next year. We welcome you, Mike!

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Captain's Report

The April Social had Sloppy Joe sandwiches as the main meal. There were 34 SK Knights and Ladies and family members in attendance. Two variations were provided, one made with ground beef and the other with ground turkey. Both were apparently received favorably since very little of the turkey one was left and the beef one was all gone. Most of the other "goodies" were also gone so everyone was apparently "ready to eat."

Next month's meal will be lasagna.

Thanks all.

Gordon Pickett

Faithful Captain

Assembly Officer Nominations

Gentlemen: Here are the nominees to date for election of officers for fraternal year 2012/2013. Other nominations may be made at our meeting of May 16. If you would like to be nominated for one of these offices but cannot be present for the meeting, please let one of our Assembly officers know. Voting will commence immediately after nominations are closed during the new business portion of the meeting. Please join us at the meeting so you may help select our new officers.

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Faithful Pilot :	Gene Ebert
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C. W. Higdon,

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Hair of the Dog

An ancient Roman belief that 'like cures like.'

Thus as a remedy for a dog bite the victim would attach to its skin a patch of hair from the dog that bit him. From this evolved the modern version of "hair of the dog" "curing" the morning after a hang over from a drinking binge by taking a stiff drink.

Without superstitious implication it can be said that divine providence has chosen to follow a kind of "like cures like" in remedying man's hangover from original sin – the sin of our proto-parents in the Garden of Eden. That disastrous failure called for a human remedy - a human person who could represent fallen humanity before God, but one who would also be Divine, in order to atone adequately to the divine majesty that was offended. Both requirements were fulfilled in our God-man Redeemer.

Because his incarnation was completed through his suffering, the

"like cures like" principle is not limited to redeeming us, but is extended even to our physical healing; even our sufferings (Heb 2:10) can be "cured" by his. Peter (1Peter 2:24) reasserts this quoting Isaiah "By his wounds we are healed" (Is 53:5)

Admittedly, this approach to healing -----"dumping" on the Lord for our sufferings, knowing that he has already borne for us - requires a consummate and rare form of faith.

Let us ask for it.

Bud Joos

Lecturer

Know Your Knight

Sir Knight Gordon E. Pickett is a member of Saint Pius X parish. He assists his parish by directing traffic and parking cars for special events and is active in his parish festival. He is a member of Father Hohlman council where he served as Inside and Outside Guards and Warden. Additionally, he presently serves as Faithful Captain of his assembly.



Born in Marion, Ohio, Gordon now resides in Etna. After serving two years in the U S Army, he worked for Battelle Columbus for forty years where he retired as a Project Manager. Since his retirement from Battelle, Gordon has been a co-owner, President and CEO of Evaluations, Inc. for the past seventeen years.

Gordon and his Lady Juliet have three children and four grandchildren.

He enjoys council and assembly duties and activities. He also likes camping, weekly poker games, spending time with his sons' and daughter's families as well as spending time with his dog that he describes as his "big hairy girlfriend". After his retirement he was thinking he would have all kinds of time on his hands but he has discovered that much of his time is being 'pleasantly occupied'.

Gordon's pet peeves are 'most politicians', speeders and reckless drivers.

Pilot's Report

The Pilot's Report for the Greater Columbus area will be taking on a new look soon. The list below is for all events in the Greater Columbus area and is not meant to be a list of events that any one person is expected to attend. To better help recipients of this report better understand which Assembly has the responsibility for covering the event and providing a Color Corps Commander, Assembly will be added to this report. As always, unless otherwise stated, a Fourth Degree member may participate in any event regardless of the assembly required to cover the event.

We need 4 Sir Knights, who are attending the Knight and Family of the Year Banquet on May 6, to volunteer for the Color Corps. Please contact Brett Gissel at 614-805-1443 to volunteer for this.

Brett Gissel

Faithful Pilot

Editor's Note: Pilot's schedule

<http://www.kofccolumbus.org/PilotsReport.htm>

May 2012	
16	Assembly Business Meeting and Social
June 2012	
20	Assembly Business Meeting and Social

Business Meeting Minutes (Continued from page 2)

Patron's Report: Sir Knight Bud Joos then led us on a brief discussion of foods and the zero cholesterol level in peanut butter. He continued on with a story of doctors discussing an individual suffering the most acute stomach pain imaginable ... and what food consumed could possibly have caused such excruciating pain. After much discussion ... the hands down winner of food ingested that would undoubtedly result in prolonged and insufferable pain was decided to be ... wedding cake! Remember, Lady Knights ... I just type these up ... it was Bud's story!

Pennies for Heaven: An acceptable amount was collected and turned.

The 50/50 Drawing Winner: J.B. Boblett won, but was not present to receive.

The meeting was called to a close at 8:38PM
Faithful Scribe

Mike Croyle
Faithful Scribe



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Prayer Corner

Mary Sheehan, Jeff Samborsky, District Deputy Tim Hickey, Fr. Frank Higdon, Charles Higdon Jr., Maureen Patterson, Mary McComb, Martin Croyle, and our priests and military

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SK Gordon Pickett 378-4673

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SK Gene Ebert 833-9643

Faithful Admiral

SK Bogomir Glavan 837-0651

Faithful Comptroller

SK Steven Valentine (740) 927-1464

Faithful Purser

SK Gordon Burke 861-1191

Faithful Scribe

SK Mike Croyle 361-3183

Faithful Inner Sentinel

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3 Year Trustee

SK David Baker 861-1580

2 Year Trustee

SK Terrence Reine, PFN 856-3653

1 Year trustee

SK Shawn Ansbro, PFN 759-7876

Faithful Commander

SK Phil Siedlecki 863-5284

Faithful Patron

SK Francis Joos 837-7211

