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## Happy Birthday America!!!

### Dear Brother SKs and Ladies:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you. I am SK Phillip R. Siedlecki and I'm honored to have the opportunity to lead Assembly 2900 during this 2014-2015 fiscal year.

A big thanks to our past Faithful Navigator Steve Dodaro along with the Assembly officers for the successful year. I feel I have big shoes to fill but I am confident with the support of our new officers and my Brother Knights I will accomplish the task ahead of me. I also ask you to join us on Saturday, July 19, 2014 after the 5:15 pm Mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral in downtown Columbus as our new officers take the oath of office for the coming fiscal year.

Assemblies are dedicated to assisting our veterans. One way to do this is to support Honor Flights. When the veterans return from their trip to Washington DC, we have an opportunity to greet them on their return flight. Perhaps we can each make an effort to go to the airport on Saturday when they return. The next few dates are September 6<sup>th</sup>, September 27<sup>th</sup> and October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Our Assembly meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:45pm. This starts the social part of the meeting, so bring the family and any potential 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Brother Knight who may show interest in becoming the 4<sup>th</sup> degree. The business meetings start promptly at 7:30pm and our attendance this past year is much better. I encourage everyone to attend our meetings. If you cannot attend the scheduled meetings due to work or family obligations, please take the time to read our monthly newsletter and our pilots report each month and try to participate when available.

I would strongly appreciate any new ideas and thoughts to assist our Assembly in any future endeavors.

Fraternally yours,

*S K Phil Siedlecki*

Faithful Navigator

### Website Update

Both Council 11187 and Assembly 2900 websites have been moved. We are now located at:

[www.kofcassembly2900.com](http://www.kofcassembly2900.com)

Please update your bookmarks.

*Jesus Garcia*, PFN

Website and Newsletter

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# 2900 Assembly News

Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900, Pickerington, Ohio USA



## Business Meeting Minutes - June 25, 2014

Meeting was opened promptly at 7:30 PM

**Roll of Officers:** All were present with the exception of our Friar, Trustee - 3 Year, Trustee - 1 Year, and Inner Sentinel. Please, remember to send notice to our Faithful Navigator if you are unable to attend a meeting.

**Reading of the minutes:** The previous month's minutes were motioned to be approved as entered by SK Wayne Patterson, seconded by SK Phil Siedlecki, voted on and passed.

**District Master's Report:** SK Charlie Giametta asked all incoming Officers to attend the Installation of Officers at St. Joseph's Cathedral on Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> following the 5:15PM Mass. He also reminded everyone of the upcoming Provincial set for September. The date will be forthcoming.

**Faithful Friar's Report:** There was no Friar to report.

**Faithful Navigator Report:** SK Steve Dodaro thanked all for assistance with and undertaking of obligations with our past election of officers. We can only keep moving forward with the dedication of our members.

Soon to be Past F.N. Dodaro thanked us all for what we have done during his tenure and appreciated the honor of serving.

His final entry was a reminder of the District Meeting in Heath on August 18<sup>th</sup>. He did this for the benefit of incoming Faithful Navigator Siedlecki.

### Reading of Bills & Communications:

**Communications:** There were no communications to be shared.

**Bills:** Bills read and a motion was made through by SK Wayne Patterson and seconded by SK Phil Siedlecki (he was anxious to take over the gavel and was quickly agreeing to everything) to send the bills on to the Trustees for payment. The motion was voted upon, passed, and the bills were sent to the trustees for approval, and were paid.

**Faithful Captains Report:** SK Frank Hare gave the attendance at tonight's dinner as 33 with an intake of XXXX. Sir Knight Hare explained that costs for the dinner were a tad up due the need to purchase soda, plates and utensils. He then proclaimed the "dinner" for July's meeting to be the popular "Sundae Bar"!

**Faithful Pilots Report:** Acting Pilot SK George Schneider listed a Marriage Anniversary Mass at St. Joan of Arc in Powell on June 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:30PM.

**Faithful Comptroller's Report:** SK Terrie Reine listed our growing membership at 105 strong with two more still waiting in the pipeline.

**Faithful Purser's Report:** SK Gordon Burke read the Fund Record and Revenue Expense Report for the month and gave a copy to the scribe for filing.

**Faithful Scribe's Report:** SK Mike Croyle had no report.

**Faithful Admiral's Report:** SK Gordon Pickett had no report, but did bring to the attention of all that Council 5253 will be sending members to assist with the Special Olympics on June 29 from 9:00AM - 7:00PM at the 'Shoe at OSU. Anyone else wishing to be involved can surely attend and assist.

**Committees:** The Fund Raising committee is looking for a chair

and we will most likely continue with the Raffle.

**Report of Trustee's:** No report. And just when we were thinking it would be a quick meeting...

**Unfinished Business:** SK Bog Glavan reminded all of our intentions on Honor Flight Participation for the upcoming year.

**Motion:** SK Glavan then motioned that if at least ten (10) members sign up for attendance and participation at the Honor Flight on a date TBD in the Fall, these members would eat as a group at a designated restaurant (TAT) and the Assembly would reimburse \$20 to each Knight with up to the total amount of \$400 for all registrants. The motion was seconded by Shawn Ansbro, discussed in length, voted upon and passed. The tentative date for our involvement is October 18. More information will be forthcoming on registration, but try to hold the date NOW. Help us honor our vets!!

### New Business:

**Motion:** SK Wayne Patterson then motioned that our Assembly purchase twelve 4<sup>th</sup> Degree pins to be used by our Commanders at events. This is due to the need to have identical pins for all. The motion was seconded by SK Gordon Pickett and discussed. After assuring the collection of these pins after use would be accomplished and the responsibility of the Commander, the motion was voted upon and passed.

And we were still just beginning...

**Motion:** SK Jess Garcia motioned for the Assembly to pay \$XXX for the Assembly Website domain and hosting site. This would be for a three year license to be upped for a renewal at that time. This was seconded by Shawn Ansbro. After a discussion on a review of the need for this, as well as the importance of inclusion in future budgets, the motion was voted upon and passed.

**Motion:** SK Shawn Ansbro then motioned to donate \$XXX to the Military Chaplain Fund c/o Don Hall. This fund provides money for seminarians to serve as chaplains in our armed forces for a four year term. The motion was seconded by Wayne Patterson, voted upon and passed.

**Council 5253:** Council 5253 will be busy over the Fourth of July weekend. The stylish Food Truck will make appearances at the Reynoldsburg, Pickerington, and Pataskala Fireworks on three consecutive nights. Stop out and buy a brat or other tasty treats!

**Council 11187:** Council 11187 proclaimed their inaugural Car Show on Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> a success! They were happy to announce the initiation of three new members as well as the election of their new officers. And finally...they were proud to share the purchase of new chalices for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish.

**Good of the Order:** Barb Metz, Jeff Samborsky, Mary and Dick McComb, Jim and Margie Patterson, Maureen Patterson, Linda Capwill, Tim Hickey, Bud Joos, Charles Higdon, Jr., Frank Hare, Debbie Boggs, L. Armstrong, Charlie Giametta, Shelley Kline and as always ... our military and priests.

**The 50/50 Winner Drawing:** Shawn Ansbro was present and collected his \$9.00.

**Pennies for Heaven:** \$22.00 was collected and turned in.

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**Closing:** Incoming Faithful Navigator Phil Siedlecki the presented our outgoing F.N. Steve Dodaro with his coveted Past Faithful Navigator pin and tux ribbon! PFN Dodaro made his closing remarks of thanks and gratitude ... but it is us who are thankful for your leadership, Steve! PFN Dodaro then officially turned the gavel over to new F. N. Siedlecki who closed his first meeting. The meeting was prayerfully called to close at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

*SK Mike Croyle*

Faithful Scribe

## Captain's Report

The July monthly 4th degree Knights of Columbus Social and Assembly 2900 meeting will feature a "Sundae Bar"!

*S K Frank Hare*

Faithful Captain

## Respect Life: Abortion News

I The very first line of the article showed the media bias: "Anti-abortion-rights activists in Ohio are working on a legislative agenda for 2015 that could continue to chip away at access to abortion." The Columbus Dispatch article in the June 23, 2014, edition was about Pro-Life organizations working with state legislators to pass bills that protect unborn babies in various stages of pregnancy.

The media never refers to pro-choice people as "pro-abortion activists", but nearly always refer to Pro-Life people as anti-abortion. NARAL, Planned Parenthood, and their allies in the media use language to subtly paint pro lifers as the bad guys and pro abortion people as the beleaguered defendants of women's rights. Just look at the end of the quote above - we "chip away at access to abortion" as if that is a bad thing.

Later in the article they quote the executive director of NARAL Pro-Choice Ohio (note the name - sounds benign, right?) as saying "Ohio is quickly becoming one of the most dangerous states for women's health" - apparently being killed and maimed by incompetent abortionists is good for women's health! When Michigan recently passed a bill banning abortion coverage in the private insurance marketplace without a special rider, pro-choicer's labeled it "rape insurance". Huh? Not having abortion covered by insurance is somehow going to condone rape? Pro-choice people are bold, even if they are not logical. Of course, abortion is not logical in the first place, so why should we be surprised?

In spite of media cooperation with abortion rights activists, the majority of Ohioans oppose abortion. 33 percent think it should be legal in most cases while 44 percent think it should be illegal in most or all cases. According to Carol Tobias, president of National Right to Life, Ohio is one of the strongest states for pro-life legislation, but Louisiana, Texas, and Wisconsin can make the same claim. Last year Ohio governor John Kasich signed off on a budget provision that forbids public hospitals from entering into transfer agreements with abortion clinics. The clinics need a trans-

fer agreement to keep their licenses under Ohio law. Dr. Samuels' clinic on Hill Rd cannot get a transfer agreement because of limited entrances, but that rule is likely why he cannot perform abortions in Pickerington. Toledo's last abortion clinic will likely permanently close soon because of the transfer agreement rule.

This fall, Ohio lawmakers will consider a bill that would prohibit insurance companies from covering abortion and would ban coverage for public employees and those on Medicaid for birth control that prevents the implantation of a fertilized egg.

Last summer, Texas passed a law that helped close about two-thirds of the state's abortion clinics by requiring doctors who perform abortions to have admitting privileges at a hospital within 30 miles of the abortion clinic. Louisiana recently passed a similar law. Florida just passed a bill that would make abortion illegal in cases in which a doctor determines the baby could survive outside the womb. In spite of media bias, Pro-Life will win out in the end - after all we have God on our side. GOD IS PRO-LIFE!

We have some news about the Samuels' clinic down the road from Seton. They changed their hours (could it be because of all the prayers we have been offering for the last year and a half?). The doctor is now there Monday mornings instead of Monday afternoon and evening. As a consequence, we are changing our prayer hours from Monday afternoon to Monday morning.

We are inviting you to spend some time after morning Mass witnessing and praying for Life. You could stop by for a few minutes or for an hour. We have signs you can use or you can just stand in prayer. You can pray with us every week or once a month or whatever works for you. Every prayer counts toward ending this horrible destruction of human life. The time we hope to cover is 9:15-11:00 am.

Maureen Cobb is the Monday captain and will be glad to answer any questions or concerns. Her phone number is: (614) 834-5154. You can also call Vick or me at (740) 927-5099.

*Edd Chinnock*

Council 11187 Respect Life coordinator

### For more information on Pro-Life Activities

Email us at [prolife@uscceb.org](mailto:prolife@uscceb.org)

Pro-Life Activities

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## July 2014

16	Assembly Business Meeting and Social 6:30pm <b>MOVED</b>
4	America's Birthday

## August 2014

20	Assembly Business Meeting and Social 6:30pm

### 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.

*Phil Siedlecki*

Your Faithful Navigator

### 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

*SK George Schneider*

Faithful Pilot

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## Prayer Corner



Under the Good of the Order we ask prayers for: Barb Metz, John Samborsky, Ryan Schneider, Mary and Dick Mcomb, Jim and Margie Patterson, Maureen Patterson, Bud and Teri Joos, Linda Capwill, Allen and Caroline Hare, Tim Hickey, Sarah Rigsby, Charles Higdon, Jr., Debbie Boggs, Msgr. Borrelli (deceased), and our military and priests