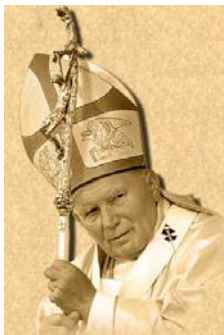


# Serving Councils: 5253, 11187 and 11354



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The Fourth Degree is the highest and most prestigious degree within the Knights of Columbus. The primary purpose of your Fourth Degree membership is to foster the spirit of patriotism in members and the community at large and encourage active Catholic citizenship.



April 1, 2017

## Have a Blessed Easter

Dear Brother SKs and Ladies:

May will be the month that we are inviting all the Forth Degree candidates and their Ladies to our pre-meeting dinner and which time the District Marshall will instruct the warden to bring the candidates into the meeting as a get to know one another. At June's meeting, we will welcome them as Sir Knights and part of Assembly 2900. Please pass this information on at your council meetings (5253, 11187) Also the District Master Shawn has said that any Degree member from the councils can attend the "Past Faithful Navigator's dance" at the Columbus Airport Marriott on Friday, June 2, 2017 in hopes that they too may want the Forth Degree designation next year.

The Spring Exemplification will then be Sat, June 3, 2017 at the Marriott and I'm asking our Sir Knights to attend and support the new candidates into their Sir Knighthood, especially if they are from your Council or as Steve Dodaro would say "for each new recruit we should have a Faithful SK accompany each new member."

The forms will be on the District web site -- <https://www.4thohd3.com/> to register.

Are you wanting to become an Officer for the next Fraternal Year? Let one of our Trustee's know as the elections will take place soon.

When one of our Sir Knights or his Lady are sick or in the hospital please remember them in prayer and send a card or maybe pay them a visit. That in its self is a RX that will come back to you and showing that we are a Fraternal Family under God!

Fraternally Yours,

*SK Dominic Nocera*

Faithful Navigator

### Captain's Corner

The April Assembly Social and Meeting will be on Wednesday April 19th.

This month's social will highlight a taco bar. Those whose last name begins with A through L please bring a dessert to share. Letters M through Z bring a side dish to share. As always we will kick things off around 6:45pm.

Thanks for your support and brotherhood.

*SK Mike Elston*

Faithful Captain



2900 Assembly News  
Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900, Pickerington, Ohio USA

## Assembly Business Minutes - February 15, 2017

The meeting started at 7:30pm by Faithful Navigator Dominic Necora with normal procedure and prayer.

**Roll call** of officers followed and those excused this month included Faithful Friar, Faithful Commander and the Faithful Patron.

**Our Faithful Friar**, reported ... or ... was excused and thus no report. **Sir Ralph Blamer** motioned and **SK Phil Siedlecki** seconded the approval of the meeting minutes as posted. Voting upon the minutes and approval followed.

**Reading of Bills:** The bills and communications were read; Assembly Supplies \$24.86; purchase of new chalices, \$882.75; and, Captain's expenses, \$99.13. **Bills and Communications were** motioned and seconded the bills be passed to the Trustees for approval and payment. Voting ensued and approval followed.

**Our Faithful Master**, Sir Knight Shawn Ansbro reported:

Spring exempt is at the airport Marriott 6/3, dance 6/2; 3/25 is the district meeting, social attire. If attending, you must contact SK Dodaro to let him know;  
Need to sell ads for exempt; and,  
There will be 3 hospitality rooms for the exempt. There is an attempt to have assemblies go together.

**Our Faithful Navigator**, Sir Knight Dominic Necora thanked everyone for the cards and visits during Lady Donna's hospitalization.

**Reading of applicants:** Steven Cicok, Saint Pius, first reading. John McCaly, Seton, first reading.

**Our Faithful Captain**, Sir Knight Mike Elston reported \$88.00 was collected for our dinner this evening. We had 27 in attendance. Next month the menu is a taco bar.

**Our Faithful Comptroller**, Fred Hare reported:

Dues were handed over to the purser;  
There are 14 with unpaid dues and the first and second notices have been sent out; and,  
Discussion was held on reaching out to those with unpaid dues and SK Siedlecki suggested that the sponsors reach out to these people.

**Our Faithful Purser**, Sir Knight Gordon Burke reported on our continued strong financial standing.

**Our Faithful Commander**, SK Wayne Patterson was excused due to the death of his mother, thus, no report.

**Our Faithful Pilot**, SK Gene Ebert reported:

All local events are covered by the local assemblies;  
District events are published;  
March 18 is the state free throw contest. District free throw contest and Color Guard can always use help;  
April 11 Chrism Mass at Saint Joseph Cathedral. Need 8 SK for Color Guard, 5:15 pm arrival time and mass at 6 pm; and,  
April 26 NADD convention mass. Location to be determined.

**Our Veteran's Affair Liaison**, Sir Knight Ralph Blamer reported the Marysville Council #5534 is to host "They Eyes of Freedom: Lima Company Memorial" September 8-11. Due to the expense, they are seeking sponsorships for the event. Discussion was held to determine if we should sponsor and, at what level we should sponsor. The discussion and vote will continue at our next meeting. See attached letter outlining this event.

**Our Faithful Admiral**, Sir Knight George Schneider – no report.

**The Trustees** Sir Knights Siedlecki, Dodaro, and Blamer reported nominations for officers for the next year is coming up and, if interested, please contact the Trustees.

## Report of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree:

**Council 5253** reported the following events:

Fish fries 3/17 and 3/31 from 5-7 p.m.; and,  
Anniversary dinner 3/19 after 8:30 p.m. mass.

**Council 11187** listed the following events:

One person brought in for first degree; 277 total members;  
Fish fries 3/24, 3/31 and 4/7 from 5-7 p.m. served 645 meals – a record, 3/17; and,  
Saint Patrick's dinner 3/18.

**Old Business:** The new council in Canal Winchester is interested in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree and a presentation.

**New Business:** "Eyes of Freedom" discussion on \$250.00 donation - will be continued next meeting. Need to check with SK Patterson to see if families have received chalices and, do we owe anyone chalices. Need to have 3 chalices on hand and need to look for unique places to send the chalices when revising directives.

**For the Good of the Order** We list and keep in our prayers Gordon Pickett, Sr., Lee Brock/family, Sandra Blamer, Jeff Samborsky, Fr. Frank Higdon, Bob Smith, Carol Puhlmann, Carla Schneider, Carrie Ebert, Donna Norcera, Master Shawn Ansbro, Wayne Paterson's mother, Margie and, our military and veterans.

**Faithful Patron**, Sir Bud Joos was absent thus, no report.

**The 50-50 drawing** winner was SK George Schneider in the amount of \$5.50 and, the money was turned over to the Captain's Fund. The meeting closed in our normal prayerful manner at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*SK Chris Coppus*

Faithful Scribe

## Patron's Corner

The Amazing Oscars - Alfred Hitchcock

I watched the 2017 Oscars even down to the last award Sunday nite. When it was over I still wasn't sure who won! So much confusion for modern technology!

I watched the movie VERTIGO for the first time last night. Of course, it was a film produced years ago. But it was a film also that was nominated for an Oscar. But it was also nominated for an Oscar along with several other Hitchcock films produced over the years.

Along with the other Hitchcock productions that were nominated, none; I mean none; ever received an Oscar. The list includes such films such as; REAR WINDOW, PSYCO; SHADOW OF A DOUBT; etc. To have all the Hitchcock movies shunned over the years it is amazing in itself! That was a fact that I did not know until a couple days ago.

Respectfully submitted:

*Francis Joos,*

Lecturer

## Culture of Life: Euthanasia for Alzheimer's Patients

*Supporting Life From Conception Until Natural Death*

Quebec is about to embark upon a debate on the involuntary euthanasia of demented elderly after a 55-year-old man in Montreal allegedly smothered his Alzheimer's stricken wife and posted what he had done on Facebook. Michel Cadotte was charged with second-degree murder after his 60-year-old wife died in an assisted care facility.

He said on Facebook that he had "cracked" and "consented to her demands to help her die." Although the facts are not clear yet, the media has reported that the woman requested medical aid in dying but was refused.

Under Quebec's 2015 law, euthanasia for the demented is specifically excluded. "A person who makes a request for medical assistance in dying must be capable of consent," Jean-Pierre Ménard, a Montreal medical lawyer, told the Montreal Gazette. "This means the patient must understand their state of health and can express their will. A patient with advanced Alzheimer's no longer has the capacity to consent, no longer has the cognitive capacity to understand."

The Gazette reports that Quebec parliamentarians now want to open a public debate on legalizing euthanasia for persons unable to give informed consent. This debate about extending eligibility for euthanasia is happening just a bit more than a year after the law came into effect.

The Quebec Alzheimer's Society contends that demented patients need to be protected. "It's very difficult with the complexity of dementia to know for sure what a person with dementia would want today," April Hayward, of the Society told CTV News. "They may have expressed a wish ten years ago and do we know for certain that's what they would want today?"

The above article is from [www.prolifenews.com](http://www.prolifenews.com), written by Michael Cook for MercatorNet, Feb 28, 2017, Montreal, Canada

Euthanasia for mentally ill patients is the norm in the Netherlands, Switzerland, Belgium and other European countries. Several states in the US allow assisted suicide and several more are working on passing similar laws. Human life is sacred, but more and more laws are undermining that sanctity. As Pro-Life Knights, we must continue to fight these laws with all our might.

The Only Thing Necessary for the Triumph of Evil is that Good Men Do Nothing

*Dave Bushnell and Edd Chinnock,*

Culture of Life Chairman

## From the Faithful Comptroller

The 2017 yearly dues statements are being mailed in December. Below are deadlines to please note. Prompt replies are greatly appreciated as Supreme is implementing a more aggressive timeline for member billing. Membership cards will be mailed as payments are received.

- 12/15/16 - Billing statements mailed to each members home
- 1/15/17 - Second notices mailed to homes
- 2/15/17 - Notice to Retain letter mailed and retention committee provided list of members to contact

Thanks in advance for your cooperation,

*Frank Hare*

Faithful Comptroller

## Dues Reminder

If you have not done so yet, please send in your dues as soon as possible. This saves the Assembly money for printing and postage of second notices.

Fourth Degree members, your dues also need to be mailed (if not already paid). Your cooperation is much appreciated.

*Frank Hare*

Faithful Comptroller



Honor guard at the Catholic Men's Conference  
with Bishop Campbell

### For more information on Pro-Life Activities

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April 2017	
15	Assembly Meeting: 6:30 Social/7:30Meeting
15	Tax Day
9	Palm Sunday
13	Holy Thursday
14	Good Friday
16	Easter
May 2017	
19	Assembly Meeting: 6:30 Social/7:30Meeting
29	Memorial Day

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**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.

*SK Dominic Nocera*  
 Your Faithful Navigator



**Prayer Corner**

We list and keep in our prayers Jim and Margie Patterson, Maureen Patterson, Carla Schneider, Gordon Pickett Sr., Carrie Ebert, Lee Brock/family, Master Shawn Ansbro/family, Dominic Nocera/family, Sandra Blamer, Jeff Samborsky, Frank Hare, Carol Puhlmann Schneider, BudJoos/family.

Our priests, and of course our military and veterans