



The Navigator

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THE DEACON LEE R. HURST ASSEMBLY WELCOMES 5 NEW SIR KNIGHTS



The Deacon Lee R. Hurst Assembly welcomes new Sir Knights (from left to right) Juan Gonzalez (9317), Anthony Barbaratto (9317), Michael Perry (9317), Anthony Rudolph (9317), and Sean Carrick (14482) to our Assembly. The degree team was joined by the Supreme Ceremonials Director Gary Nolan, making this Exemplification one to be remembered. The next Exemplification is scheduled for March 13, 2010, hosted by the Monsignor Leppart Assembly.

October 2009

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FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S REPORT

I would first like to offer my continued appreciation of the efforts made by all of you that work to make this Assembly one of the premiere assemblies in the Fourth Degree.

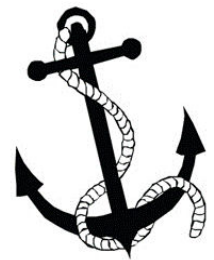
Recently, I have been made aware of rumors that there are some Sir Knights seeking to split the Assembly. It would be advantageous to all parties that if there is a movement to split the Assembly, bring it out into the open and make this amicable formation of a new Assembly, not an unpleasant dissolution of our Assembly.

When the Deacon Lee R. Hurst Assembly was formed from the mandated split of the Cardinal Stritch Assembly, there were many Sir Knights upset with this and animosity still exists today. There is still some animosity resulting from the formation of the Holy Cross Assembly two years ago.

A few months ago, during a conference call between the Vice Supreme Masters it was mentioned that one of the goals of the new Supreme Master was to grow the number of Assemblies as well as the size of the Fourth Degree. His recommendation was that Assemblies with numbers around 250 Sir Knights should consider splitting if a split could be supported. There is a possibility, based on our current size, that we could be split and not necessarily how we would like it. Unlike several years ago when the split rumors were being propagated and quenched by the actions of the District Marshall and District Master, both officials have said they will endorse a split, provided no Council is left standing on its own.

So, if there is a movement to split this Assembly, there is NO reason to be secretive about it and absolutely no reason that it doesn't have to be a mutual and amicable formation of a new Assembly. We are all Sir Knights and Catholic gentlemen, let us act like it.

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OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2009/2010



“From now on it is only through a conscious choice and through a deliberate policy that humanity can survive.”

Pope John Paul II

Faithful Friar

Rev. Robert Stellini

Faithful Navigator

David Zwissler

Faithful Captain

Patrick Casey

Faithful Admiral

John Stratman

Faithful Pilot

Ray Meadows

Faithful Scribe

Jim Montgomery

Faithful Purser

Donnis Edwards

Faithful Inter Sentinel

Jose Ibarra, Jr.

Faithful Outer Sentinel

Charles Belak

Faithful Comptroller

Bill Brickhill

Faithful Trustees:

One-Year

Paul Di Bartolo

Two-Year

J. “Dan” Martini

Three-Year

Ike Davidson

Co-Color Corps Commanders

John Haluska, Terry Glaser, and Jerry Orcholski

Church Committee

Ray Meadows and Joe Seago

Communications Committee

John Duffy

Country Committee

Ed Wiseman

VA Committee

Ike Davidson

Social Committee

Barton Joseph and Kevin Petite

The Order Committee

Jerry Orcholski and Armando Verlarde

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES

Church – Sir Knight Ray Meadows reported that the March Men’s Morning of Spirituality will be hosted by St. Ann, Bartlett. He also encouraged the Assembly to participate in Eucharistic Adorations as they are made available. The Church of Nativity Men’s Retreat at Dancyville will take place the first weekend in November.

Color Corps – Color Corps Commander Terry Glaser reported good turn-outs for the Silver Rose escorts and Air Force Birthday at VA. He also reported that there is a need for Sir Knights with regalia to participate in the Special Olympics and the Exemplification, both on October 10.

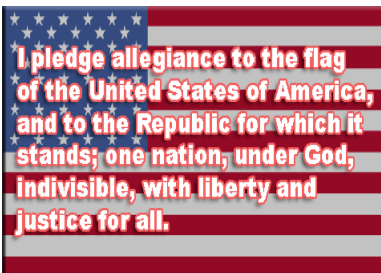
Communication – Sir Knight John Duffy reported the Navigator is posted on line and that a sample of the Assembly directory will be available at the next meeting for viewing.

Country – No Report

The VA – Sir Knight Ike Davidson reported that there is still a need for volunteers to work as hosts at the VA. We need someone to step up an volunteer.

Social – No Report

The Order – Sir Knight Jerry Orcholski reported that he is working with the District Deputy and other representatives from the Councils in District 1 for the upcoming District Family Picnic.



PROPOSED ASSEMBLY BYLAW AMENDMENTS

Article II (2) - Elections. **Add Section 1:**

Section 1. A nominating committee for Officers and the Three-Year Trustee shall be formed no later than the March meeting.

A Sir Knight that is active in his Council and the Assembly, from each of the Councils which constitutes our Assembly, shall be appointed to the nominating committee unless the Parish Council declines.

This committee shall be presided over by the Faithful Navigator.

All Sir Knights in the Assembly, regardless of time in the Fourth Degree, but with at least one year in the Knights of Columbus shall be eligible to run for office.

The old Section 1 becomes Section 2.

Article VI (6) - Meetings. **Change** to read the 4th Monday of each month.

Article VIII (8) - Funds. Section 1. **Change** to read \$500.00 from \$200.00.

Article VIII (8) - **Add Section 7:**

Section 7. No funds shall be committed by the Assembly to be spent beyond the current year.

If these proposed amendments are approved by the Assembly, they will be forwarded to the Supreme Advocate and Board of Directors for their review and approval.

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S REPORT CONTINUED

On another note, I had the privilege and pleasure of spending some time with the Supreme Ceremonials Director Gary Nolan. He clarified a number of common misconceptions regarding the Color Corps Manual and other ceremonials. As a result of this discussion I would like to institute Color Corps practice, especially Manual of Sword thirty minutes before each meeting beginning with the November meeting. We are the Visible Arm of the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Church. All of our actions, especially in regalia, should be clean well presented. There has been too much "just going through the motions" lately. The Color Corps Manual has been given to all Faithful Comptrollers and Faithful Navigators in digital format and will soon be posted on our website for all to read and study.



"Not all moral issues have the same moral weight as abortion and euthanasia. There may be legitimate diversity of opinion even among Catholics about waging war and applying the death penalty, but not... with regard to abortion and euthanasia."

Pope Benedict XVI



Meaning of A Flag Draped Coffin

Here is how to understand the flag that laid upon it and is surrendered to so many widows and widowers.

Do you know that at military funerals, the 21-gun salute stands for the sum of the numbers in the year 1776?

Have you ever noticed the honor guard pays meticulous attention to correctly folding the United States of America Flag 13 times? You probably thought it was to symbolize the original 13 colonies, but we learn something new every day!

The 1st fold of the flag is a symbol of life.

The 2nd fold is a symbol of the belief in eternal life.

The 3rd fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans departing the ranks who gave a portion of their lives for the defense of the country to attain peace throughout the world.

The 4th fold represents the weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in time of war for His divine guidance.

The 5th fold is a tribute to the country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, 'Our Country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong.'

The 6th fold is for where people's hearts lie. It is with their heart that They pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States Of America , and the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

The 7th fold is a tribute to its Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that they protect their country and their flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of their republic.

The 8th fold is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day.

The 9th fold is a tribute to womanhood, and Mothers. For it has been through their faith, their love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great has been molded.

The 10th fold is a tribute to the father, for he too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of their country since they were first born.

The 11th fold represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies in the Hebrews eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

The 12th fold represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in the Christians eyes, God the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit.

The 13th fold, or when the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost reminding them of their nations motto, 'In God We Trust.'



After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington, and the Sailors and Marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones, who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for them the rights, privileges and freedoms they enjoy today.

There are some traditions and ways of doing things that have deep meaning. In the future, you'll see flags folded and now you will know why.

Submitted by Faithful Trustee J. Dan Martini.

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Under Unfinished Business, Sir Knight Byron Nestler reported that plans were progressing for the Veterans' SOS breakfast to be held on November 15. Will ask Veterans to RSVP and announcements will be put in the local Church bulletins.

Sir Knight Ike Davidson reported that the revisions to the bylaws have completed and presented them to the Assembly, orally. They will be posted via the newsletter and will be voted over two readings before advancing to Supreme.

Under New Business, Sir Knight Byron Nestler made a motion for the Assembly to donate \$250 to the furnishing of one of the new military chapels in Afghanistan. The motion was seconded and passed.

Sir Knight Jerry Orcholski motioned for the Assembly to cover the Exemplification Fee for Candidate Michael Perry, a disabled veteran. This motion was seconded and approved. Sir Knight Dan Martini made a subsequent motion to purchase this candidate's tuxedo and accessories. The motion was seconded and passed, as well.

Sir Knight Ed Wiseman asked permission to investigate assisting a WWII veteran caring for his children and grandchildren and whether the Assembly could help him or get him to someone that could help his situation.

REPORTS OF THE THIRD DEGREE COUNCILS

Edward J. Kitts Council #7170—Middle of MR Drive, Dog Show 10/10, and Special Olympics also on 10/10

Timothy J. Coyle Council #9317—Second Degree 10/5, Oktberfest 10/9 and 10/10.

Pope Saint Pius V Council #14041—First Friday adorations continue, Membership Drive Spaghetti Dinner 10/9, Pancake Breakfast 10/11, Retreat coming soon.

St. Phillip's Council #14482—Successfully sponsored Fayette County Car Show 9/12, Fayette Cares Dinner 10/10.

GOOD OF THE ORDER AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep Sir Knight Frank Taylor and his wife Mary, Kate Wombough, Sir Knight Tony Neri, Sir Knight Ed Worchack, Lady Louise MacDonald, Lady Lucille Harter, and Sir Knight Chris Frame and Bob Grenito and their family, Mark East, and Jana Stressel in your prayers. Sir Knight Ryan Barrow is recovering well. Also please pray for the repose of the souls of Fr. Oglesby, Deacon Max Saller, Ed Kitts, Andrew Thompson, Sid Valadie, Anthony Salvati, Sandy Neri, Bill Thron, and Monsignor Buchignani's mother. Please keep our servicemen and women in your prayers as they safeguard our freedoms and protect us from all enemies foreign and domestic.



*Please keep our new
Seminarian
Antonio Ibanez,
all Seminarians, and
others called to the
Vocations in your
prayers.*



UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 26 – Assembly Meeting at St. Ann, Fr. McGivney Hall, 7:30 P.M.
- November 1 – Feast of All Saints
- November 2 – All Souls Day, Honor Guard Request for Mass at Calvary Cemetery
- November 10 – 234th Birthday of the United States Marine Corps...Semper Fi!
- November 11 – Veterans' Day and Veterans' Day Parade
- November 23 – Assembly Meeting at St. Francis, Room 108 PLC, 7:30 P.M.

**DEACON LEE R. HURST ASSEMBLY
MEETING: MONDAY OCTOBER 26TH AT 7:30 P.M.
ST. ANN, FR. MCGIVNEY HALL, BARTLETT**

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