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We had our first virtual monthly meeting on August 19.

During the meeting, we introduced 3 new patriotic programs. In addition to summaries of the programs in the *News & Announcements* section of our



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Assembly website, additional details are in this newsletter.

While a 50-50 is harder to do virtually, a lucky attendee at the meeting received a ‘door prize’ in the spirit of the Good of the Order; and the winner is SK Lou Attinasi! And the door prize is a sword letter opener.



*Meeting Door Prize
And Newsletter Trivia Quiz Prize*

AUGUST 2020

On August 9, 7 Assemblies state-wide participated in a virtual Officers’ Installation.



Officers’ Installation

While the names of our Officers are hard to read, our Faithful Friar (FF) had an active role in the Installation representing FF’s from all Assemblies.

Trivia Question #1: Who is our Faithful Friar? [Hint: see *Officers* section of our Assembly website]

First person with correct answers, to the 3 Trivia Questions found throughout this issue, sent to our FN receives the same door prize given at our August meeting.



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Catholic Citizenship Program

As a reminder about our duties as Catholic Citizens and strengthening Catholic Citizenship in the Diocese, SK Mark Krautscheid (if you recognize him, he's our Faithful Scribe) introduced and chaired our Catholic Citizenship Program.



SK Mark Krautscheid

In addition to the summaries in our Assembly website mentioned in the front page of this newsletter, information is also available in the monthly *Meeting Minutes*, taken by our Faithful Scribe, in the *Members Only* section.

The program consists of a forum for discussion and instruction, and to show the community what the Assembly, and by extension the 4th Degree, are about.

The plan is to have a forum **in October** (date TBD), preferably in person and simulcast virtually, who will address the topic, "If I could inform all Catholic Citizens of something to be mindful of when voting this November, I would tell them ..."

The planning committee is working on confirming the slate of panelists to potentially include:

- Clergy: Bishop Weisenburger / B.E. Kicanas



Bishop Edward Weisenburger



Bishop Emeritus Gerald Kicanas

- Law Enforcement: Mark Napier – Pima County Sheriff (also a Brother Knight)
- Catholic Schools: Sheri Dahl – Superintendent
- For Profit Business: Jim Click (Focus on Employment)
- Non-Profit Business: Kelly Copeland (Fatima Women's Center)
- Catholic Community Services: Teresa Cavendish (DO)

If you have any suggestions for panelists for additional topics, e.g. listed below, and / or would like to join the program planning committee, please contact SK Mark Krautscheid.

- Military Representative:
- Tribal community:
- State Government:
- Agriculture
- Finance, Justice, Intelligence, Diplomacy, etc.



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Wreaths Across America

Last year, our Assembly as well as other Assemblies and Councils purchased wreaths for some graves of veterans.

This year, SK John Alese signed up our Assembly as a Wreaths Across America official group supporting the Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Marana.



SK John Alese

Our objective is to support the cemetery's goal of a wreath for all 1,900 veterans interred at the cemetery; as of this month, over 600 wreaths have been purchased by sponsors from various organizations.

Trivia Question #2: Name 2 SKs interred at the Marana Veterans Cemetery. [Hint, see dedications for SKs in the *Sir Knights in Memoriam* section of our Assembly website]

On Saturday, **December 19, 2020 at 10:00 AM** in conjunction with Wreaths Across America (WAA) ceremonies, our Assembly and its Honor Guard will be helping the nearby Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Marana to Remember and Honor our veterans by laying wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes.

Sponsors can purchase wreaths on our WAA website



wreathscrossamerica.org/az0165p

‘in honor of’ a living person, ‘in memory of’ a fallen hero not at the cemetery, or for a specific grave in which the sponsor(s) could also place the wreaths themselves.

And with WAA wreath-laying ceremonies in all 50 states, abroad and at sea, sponsors can purchase wreaths through our website for any of the over 2,100 locations.

Join us by sponsoring wreaths and getting others (friends, families, Brother Knights, strangers) to sponsor wreaths for those who served this country. And if you want more information or are interested in participating further (e.g. in the wreath laying ceremony), please contact SK John Alese.



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Hawaiian Shirts for Deployed Soldiers

On a lighter note, SK Jim Hackett [Past Grand Knight (PGK) of Council #10441 – one of the Councils affiliated with our Assembly] launched our support of a non-profit organization providing Hawaiian Shirts for Deployed Soldiers.



PGK Jim Hackett

It started in March 2017 with a mom, Gwen Pollard, sending a Hawaiian shirt to her son deployed from Fort Campbell, Kentucky, with the 101st Airborne Division. He came out (on an undisclosed site) in a Hawaiian shirt and the soldiers laughed. Some wished that they had one, so he asked her to send a few for him and his buddies. Now, the goal is shipping 100,000 Hawaiian shirts to deployed soldiers with a handwritten note of encouragement tucked in each shirt pocket.

Working with Gail Neer, wife of late PFN Bill Neer, we are collecting new, thrift store and gently used Hawaiian shirts.

Trivia Question #3: What is the most popular first name of PFNs, and how many share that first name? [Hint: It's not Bill. And you could see the list of PFNs in the *About Us* section of our Assembly website. Be careful not to miss one who goes by his initials]. That's the last trivia question; now be the first to submit the correct answers and win the prize!



hawaiianshirtsfordeployedsoldiers.org

With PGK Jim Hackett in Pennsylvania, for the near future supporting his mother after the passing of his father this summer, GK John Mulholland has volunteered to be the local Co-Chairman for this program.

Depending on the number of shirts we gather, we may opt to save Gail having to incur the mailing cost by shipping the shirts directly to Gwen.

If you are interested in helping out with this program, writing notes for each shirt and/or have collected Hawaiian shirts to donate, please contact GK John Mulholland.



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Fisher House Program

Our 4th (actually 1st – having been around for several years) Patriotic Program is preparing meals for the guests at the Fisher House.

In 2016, the only Fisher House in Arizona opened on the campus of Tucson's VA Hospital to provide a place where military and veterans families can stay while a loved one is in the hospital or any other Tucson medical facility.

Soon thereafter, under the leadership of our Faithful Navigator at that time, the now late SK Bill Neer, SKs and wives have been supporting the Fisher House by preparing meals every 4th Wednesday of each month.



PFN Randy Hannon

Today, PFN Randy Hannon leads the group of merry chefs and sous chefs.

The Fisher House Foundation is a charity and that has supported the building of 89 Fisher Houses, with 4 more under construction and 16 more in the plan, located on 25 military installations and 39 VA medical centers across 33 states, the United Kingdom and Germany.

Since 1991 with the first 2 homes, Fisher Houses have served over 400,000 families with over 10 million days of lodging saving those families over \$500 million. After all, there is never a charge to stay at a Fisher House.

The Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS) Fisher House in Tucson has 16 private suites for families of active duty or veteran patients and reside more than 50 miles from the Tucson VA Hospital.



Tucson Fisher House

Being away from home with plenty on their mind, having meals ready-to-eat (and not the military MREs) is appreciated by the many guests over the years.

We need more crews to go more than once a month. Please contact PFN Randy Hannon if you are interested; no cooking experience required – some of us can barely boil water. 🙄

Note: Program on hold due to COVID-19 restrictions.



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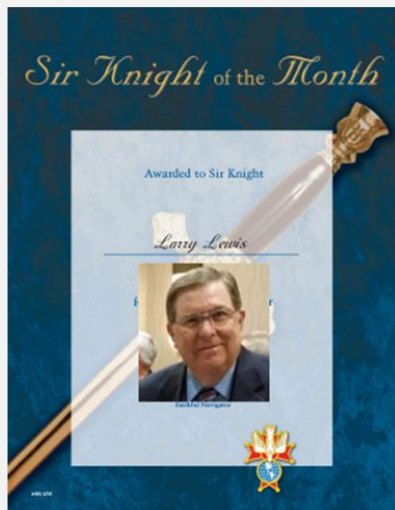
Prayers

for Sick & Distressed and for the Departed



Sick and Distressed	Prayers for the Departed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Sir Knights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PFN Richard Villamana ▶ Brother Knights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • William Victor Lewis ▶ Family & Friends <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharon Schieffer-Schermerhorn • Barbra Zagona • Greg Voyles • Shelly Lewicki • Larry Conley • Larry Chapman • Jim O'Brian 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Sir Knights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PFN Tom Shelby • SK Leonard Zimmerman • SK Tim Donovan ▶ Family & Friends <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neville Brown • Diane Boughton • Julian Burgess • Dick Zeilman • Francis Leonidas • JT Shelby • Josephine Gonzales • Joe Harris • Steve Whelmie • Jim Hackett Jr. • Sandi Lynn Lewis ▶ For and to our servicemen and women, their parents, and to all military personnel lost in service and to their surviving families.

Sir Knight of the Month



Thanks to SK Larry Lewis, as Faithful Comptroller, for completing the annual audit and preparing documents to file our tax return on time.

Upcoming Month Calendar

SEPTEMBER						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Labor Day Holiday	8	9	10	11	12 4 th Degree Exemplification
13	14	15	16 Monthly Meeting	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			