

#### 2019-2020 Leadership

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http://kofcAssembly2595.org

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# Father Michael J. McGivney Assembly 2595

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#### Flag Retirement Ceremony at St. Peter's on October 24

Over the last few months, our Assembly, most notably at St. Peter's under the leadership of PFN Mike Jacobs, has collected a significant number of unserviceable American flags for retirement. On Thursday, October 24, at 6:30 pm, just prior to the 7:30 pm October Assembly meeting, as one of our Patriotic activities, we will conduct a formal flag retirement ceremony under the pavilion behind the parish center. We will have some of our Color Corps members in uniform in attendance to present and guard the National Flag, and to participate in the respectful incineration of a representative cotton flag in the burning pit at the sand field behind the pavilion. Assembly Officers will read the ceremony script. All Assembly Sir Knights are encouraged to attend.

## Welcome to Our Assembly's Nine New Sir Knights!

During the past month, we have had nine new Sir Knights exemplified in the Patriotic Degree and become members of our Assemby! Six were exemplified on Saturday, September 21, in the Maryland District Exemplification at Columbus Gardens, and three were exemplified on Saturday, October 19, in the Archdiocese of Washington District Exemplification at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Washington, DC.

Our new Sir Knights are: John Mountcastle Bernard O'Neil Jason Oswald

Paul Pieklo Thomas Shenk Joshua Trautwein

Kodjo Ahiake Michael Bewernitz Paul Klein



The six new Sir Knights of September 21, flanked by FN Steve Mason, PFN/PCCC Martin Luchansky, and PFN/CCC Marty Nau.



The three new Sir Knights of October 19, flanked by FN Steve Mason and SK Bill Hammett.

## From the Navigator's Stateroom ...

As stated in our last newsletter (and again this month), Past Faithful Navigator Mike Jacobs has organized a flag retirement ceremony prior to our October meeting at St. Peter's on October 24.. We will have collected close to 100 flags that we will retire in a ceremony just before our Assembly meeting. Great job, Mike, for this effort.

I also want all Sir Knights to know that we still need Sir Knights from St. Michael's and St. Peter's to help organize a Patriotic Rosary at those parishes. What is needed is to set a date, cleared with the church. Announce to the parishioners that we will hold the Rosary on the date selected, and request the Color Corps to present the colors. I will be able to help you with programs for the



Rosary and any detailed questions you may have. We have conducted this program several times at the Church of the Resurrection and we have received many favorable comments from the parish and the families of the Knights in attendance. It is truly a great experience. Veterans in the parish loved it.

This has turned out to be a busy month, with more events and opportunities to come. On Saturday, October 19, we had three more new members taking their Fourth Degree Exemplification in Washington, DC, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. All are from St. Michael's Council, who has done an outstanding job in growing our Assembly with new members. Congratulations to them and to our Assembly members from St. Michael's for their efforts.

Several upcoming events are of note: October 24 Assembly Business Meeting at St. Peter's at 7:30 pm; prior to this meeting, we will have a flag retirement ceremony at 6:30 pm, and then go right into the meeting. All Sir Knights are encouraged to attend both, if possible. On Saturday, October 26, at 9:00 am, Worthy Color Corps Commander Marty Nau will hold a practice for all Color Corps members at St. Peter's church.

To all our new Assembly Sir Knights: please contact me if you have any problems receiving our newsletter. I want to ensure that we keep you informed. I may be reached at 443-315-7150. If I don't answer, please leave me a message with your contact number.

Steve Mason, Faithful Navigator, 2019-20 faithfulnavigator@kofcassembly2595.org

### Collection of Items for Vets at Resurrection Council Italian Dinner on October 25

Our Assembly is continuing our collection of items for veterans who are living at the Loch Raven VA Medical Center in Baltimore. For the fifth consecutive year, we will be obtaining and displaying items, such as toiletries, at the Resurrection Council's Italian Dinner at 6:00 pm on Friday, October 25. Attendees at the dinner will be offered the opportunity to purchase, and then donate, the items on display, which our Assembly will subsequently deliver to the VA Medical Center. Last year, this event raised over \$200 of donated items for the vets.

## Fourth Degree Uniform Updates

There have been a number of clarifications and updates recently concerning the Fourth Degree and Color Corps uniforms. Complete definitive statements are included in the October Maryland District Newsletter that is being distributed to Assembly members using the same e-mail used to distribute this newsletter. Those statements should be considered the authoritative source. In the interest of brevity, the following are a few snippets of information:

- A new U.S.-based provider has been identified for the new Color Corps Dress Uniform that is expected to provide a significantly cheaper alternative, although a price is still in negotiation. Prospective Color Corps members are urged to delay uniform purchase until a price has been negotiated with the new provider.
- The PG-113 lapel pin should now be worn "positioned in the buttonhole of the uniform jacket, to be centered across the lapel."
- If fewer than four Color Corps members in the Dress Uniform are available for wakes/viewings, Assembly members can turn out in the Fourth Degree Uniform (white gloves optional). However, Sir Knights in the Dress Uniform and the Fourth Degree Uniform cannot be posted together.
- Sir Knights in the Fourth Degree Uniform (with white gloves) may now serve as line or row guards for Exemplifications.

## Recent Deaths in the Assembly Family

Recently, we have been informed of two deaths in the Assembly family, including one Sir Knight one immediate family member. Sir Knight Hugh Kreamer of our Assembly and Resurrection Council passed away on September 15. Inurnment was held on October 7 with military honors. On October 5, Beverly Weiss, mother of Sir Knight and Resurrection Council Grand Knight Brad Weiss, passed away. Her funeral was held in Pennsylvania on October 12. Please keep the Kreamer and Weiss families in your prayers.

## Useful Patriotic Degree Web Sites and E-mail Group

- 1. Maryland Fourth Degree https://kcmaryland4th.org/
- Maryland Fourth Degree Yahoo Groups To share information with other assemblies

   a. To post a message <u>kcmaryland4th@yahoogroups.com</u>
  - b. To subscribe <u>kcmaryland4th-subscribe@yahoogroups.com</u>
- 3. McGivney Guild To support the beatification of our founder http://www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/en/contact/register.html

# Schedule of Assembly Meetings and Activities for FY 2020

Thursday, October 24, 6:30 pm, Flag Retirement Ceremony, prior to 7:30 pm Assembly meeting at St. Peter's Libertytown

Friday, October 25, 6:00 pm, Collection of Items for Vets at Resurrection Council Italian Dinner, Ellicott City

Tuesday, November 26, 7:30 pm, Assembly meeting at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs (moved to fourth Tuesday because of Thanksgiving)

Thursday, December 26, 7:30 pm, Assembly meeting at Church of the Resurrection, Ellicott City

Saturday, January 18, 6:30 pm (tentative) Assembly Chili Cook-off at Church of the Resurrection, Ellicott City

Thursday, January 23, 7:30 pm, Assembly meeting at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs

Thursday, February 27, 7:30 pm, Assembly meeting at St. Peter's Libertytown

Friday-Saturday, March 13-14, Maryland District Exemplification, Princess Royale, Ocean City

Thursday, March 26, 7:30 pm, Assembly meeting at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs (Renewal of Promises)

Thursday, April 23, 7:30 pm, Assembly meeting at Church of the Resurrection, Ellicott City

Thursday, May 28, 7:30 pm, Assembly meeting at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs

Thursday, June 25, 7:30 pm, Assembly meeting at St. Peter's Libertytown