

NEWSLETTER

August – September 2018

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Assembly 2532
Pahrump, Nevada

From the Faithful Navigator:

In preparing this Assembly Newsletter, as a Faithful Navigator and as a Sir Knight, I asked myself, what does it really mean to be a Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus. I am sure that we all have a slightly different definition of a Fourth Degree Sir Knight. However, over the years, I have read many different takes on the meaning, but recall one article that stayed with me. In simple terms, it starts with “The Flag of the United State of America”. “We Love It and Shall Ever Defend It”. The Flag represents freedom, liberty, patriotism, Our Constitution and Bill of Rights. As Fourth Degree Knights, we act on these principles and what is right and honorable.

One may ask, “How do we do that?” I believe that as Sir Knights we do that by supporting and defending truth in the public arena and by protecting faith in our civic lives. By our involvement and support of Church and Assembly initiatives and events, and most importantly, through patriotism, the Fourth Principle of our Order and our loyalty to that principle.

As Fourth Degree Knights, we hold steadfastly to what is right and honorable, and we are committed to building lives of character, that demonstrate to others that we are catholic gentleman who believe in their faith and their country. Additionally, it is patriotism and pride in one’s nation that is the main driving force

behind our Forth Degree Members. The Fourth Degree is the highest and most prestigious degree within the Knights of Columbus. It is a group of outstanding Sir Knights, who are dedicated to the service of their Church, their country and our Order. These men are unified in the Fourth Degree when duty extends beyond our own lives, beyond how we lead our families and into how we serve our fellow man.

Additionally, I think we can all agree that the need for strong role models in our society has never been greater. If the sanctity of life, family values, and true religious freedom are to survive, democratic nations need greater commitment from people of faith. That’s what the Fourth Degree Represents. We are the pinnacle of Knighthood for we live, serve and protect the truth.

Ad Gloriam Dei

Gene M. Seibert
Faithful Navigator

Fraternal Year Calendar:

As a reminder, our *calendar of activities* for the fraternal year 2018-2019 has been updated. This latest version will be posted on our Assembly’s website shortly. Please

continue to visit our Assembly website for the current month planned activities.

Upcoming Events:

1. **Installation of Officers** - The Installation of Officer will be held on August 15, 2018 at 6:30PM. This is also our regular meeting night. All Sir Knights should attend this meeting. We will be having a buffet dinner after the ceremony. ***All spouses and guests are most welcome to join us.*** Additionally, The Nye County Quilts of Valor will be attending to make a "Quilt Presentation" to one of our Sir Knights. ***You will be happy to note that due to the heat, our District Master has granted us permission to wear business casual attire (slacks and sport shirts, no shorts or blue jeans) in lieu of tuxedos or suits.*** If you have not already confirmed your attendance with Bill Rettig, please do so as soon as possible so we can have an approximate head count for the caterers.
2. **Fish Fry** – our first Monthly Fish Fry of this fraternal year will be held on September 7th. ***We need your help!*** If you can volunteer some time to assist us in this endeavor, it would be greatly appreciated. This is where the fellowship and comradery truly happen, and we show others what it means to be a Knight of Columbus.
3. **Our Second Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** is scheduled for September 22nd at Our Lady of the Valley Church Hall from 4 to 7 PM. Tickets go on sale in August. The cost of the dinner is \$9.00 for Adults and \$4.00 for Children under 12 years of age. The proceeds from this event goes to support our Assembly and its charitable

undertakings. Your assistance and support of this event is greatly appreciated.

4. **Flag Retirement** – We are working with our local VFW in the performance of our National Flag Retirement Ceremony on September 11, 2017. Please provide all flags you wish to retire to Bill Rettig or Gene Seibert no later than September 3, 2018. Likewise, a collection box will be placed in the vestibule in the back of church.
5. **Toiletries for Homeless Veterans** – This is a continuous project that we started with our Local VFW to provide to our homeless veterans within our local Pahrump community, the necessary toiletries and like items. I continue to encourage each of you to provide some of these necessary items, and to encourage others to do the same. The collection box for these items is located in the back of church.
6. **Fourth Degree Exemplification** – There will be a Fourth Degree Exemplification, hosted by Father Joseph O'Callahan Assembly 2820 on September 15, 2018 at Our Lady of Las Vegas, Catholic Church, 3050 Alta Drive, Las Vegas, NV 8917. Registration must be completed prior to September 11, 2018. For more information, please see the Faithful Navigator.

Just to reiterate, the success of these planned events cannot be possible without your support and participation. Let's make this Fraternal Year even better than last year. Thank you.

Other Items of Interest:

None at this time.

**The Assembly 2532 Officers for Fraternal
Year 2018-2019 are:**

Faithful Navigator – Gene Seibert
Faithful Friar – Rev. Henry Salditos
Faithful Captain – Bill Rettig
Faithful Admiral – Greg Thompson
Faithful Comptroller – Gary Bird
Faithful Purser – Al Perez
Faithful Pilot – Tom Shaffer
Faithful Scribe – Steve Keefe
Inner Sentinel – Kip Magee
Outer Sentinel – Dennis Duffy
Trustee 1 – Ed Vavrek
Trustee 2 – Mike Suber
Trustee 3 – Niel Rohleder

Calendar of Events for July and August:

August 1 -	Annual Audit is due
August 15 -	Assembly Meeting & Installation of Officers
September 7 -	Monthly Fish Fry
September 11 -	Flag Retirement Ceremony
September 15 –	Fourth Degree Exemplification
September 19 -	Assembly Meeting
September 22 -	Second Annual Spaghetti Dinner