



Good Shepherd Assembly 2604 Briefing



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Faithful Navigator's Report

Sir Knights and Ladies:

I had the privilege of attending the Fall Exemplification in Marshall. This time my name tag said *State Warden* so I got to observe from the side chairs. I witnessed the commitment of the team to get it done right. Many of the parts are now memorized; not read. The knighting ceremony went very smoothly, and all the 40 plus candidates will remember this day.

One of those candidates was Brian Owans from Epiphany parish. His sponsor was Bob Mathewson, and he has joined our Assembly. Thank you to Alan Savage who brought Brian Saturday and then drove back to the Cities that same night. We welcome Brian and wife Julie to our Assembly.

Others there from our assembly were Rick Hirschfelt and Dave Whatmuff, who is part of the team. Dave with lady Marty helped my wife Sharon set up and take down for Mass on Saturday night (one of the Warden's responsibilities). Of course District Master Bob and Lady Nancy Mathewson were there to oversee the weekend activities. We also celebrated Rick and Margaret Hirschfelt's 43rd wedding anniversary pool side on Friday night.

This weekend reminded me of last year when our Assembly hosted the Exemplification. A lot of hours and commitment went in to make that a success. I still get compliments on it and I always say it was the Assembly and the Council working together that made it happen. You should be proud of this legacy.

We now turn our attention to the Exemplification next April in Bemidji. Start recruiting members in your council. Get them interested now so they and you can plan to attend. This will be Master Bob's last exemplification in his term. Let's send him off with a good contingency from his Assembly.

Faithful Navigator
SK Marc Peters

Good Shepherd Assembly Dinner Meeting Monday, November 11, 2013

Sir Knights and Ladies
Church of the Immaculate Conception
Cost: \$13 per person
Dinner Reservations: **651-426-2954**
Deadline: November 4, 2013

Faithful Admiral's Report

Sir Knights & Ladies

As I write this article for October, we have seen our first frost and a few snowflakes! How fast time flies!

This is my fourth and last year I will be writing an article for this newsletter. During this time, I have seen several changes in our Assembly.

Probably, the most significant change is our Assembly's presence in the State Offices. These Faithful Knights have made us very proud because of the very significant work they do for the State Knights of Columbus.

I have also witnessed a marked increase in the number of Honor Guards that our Assembly attends. My recollection is that most of the Honor Guards took place in June each year. However, we now have Honor Guard opportunities throughout the year. Thanks go to our Guard Commander and his deputies.

Another change is the number of members we have and the increased members with regalia. This increase in membership was the result of last year's Fall Exemplification. It was also the result of our member recruitment. Thanks to all who were responsible for helping us bring in the new members.

These are only a few of the reasons why we can be proud to be Fourth Degree Members of the Good Shepherd Assembly. I would be happy to hear your personal stories about the deeds and actions of the Assembly that have affected you. That could be my next article.

Faithful Admiral
SK Robert Peterson

Captain's Report

Sir Knights and Ladies,

The November dinner meeting will be on Monday, November 11, 2013 at Immaculate Conception. This evening is for both Sir Knights and Ladies and is our traditional Veterans' remembrance theme. Assembly is at 5:30, Mass at 6:00, with Dinner and Speaker to follow. Please reserve your meal by Monday, November 4. Please call me at 651-426-2954 (home) 612-598-8661 (cell) or email me, ted@brausens.com. We are looking forward to a Great Dinner with a Fantastic Speaker coming up on November 11 - "Veteran's Day"!

I have confirmed the upcoming Dinner with Bishop Piche' on November 30th. We have made reservations for 30. So far we have 26 confirmed. If you are interested in joining us that evening, please call my cell @612-598-8661.

Faithful Captain
SK Ted Brausen

Guard Commander's Report

Upcoming Honor Guards

- Assembly Dinner Meeting, Monday, November 11, 2013, Assembly 5:30 pm. Mass 6:00 pm. Dinner to follow. Immaculate Conception Parish.
- ALL HANDS ON DECK: We have two overlapping important events:
 - Sunday, December 8, 2013. Assembly 9:30 am, Mass 10:00 am, Immaculate Conception 75th Parish Anniversary Mass, Archbp. Nienstedt presiding.
 - Sunday, December 8, 2013. Assembly 10:45 am, Mass 11:15 am, St Charles Borromeo 75th Parish Anniversary Mass, Bp. Piche presiding
- We have been asked to help with an honor guard for our new bishop. If you are available, here is the information:
Monday, December 9, 2013. Auxiliary Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Episcopal Ordination, Cathedral of St. Paul. Assembly 12:15 pm, Mass 1:00 pm.
Note: Plan to dress at your car, no room at the Cathedral. Suggest carpooling – full house expected.

Good Shepherd Assembly Meeting Minutes

14-October-2013

- Faithful Navigator Marc Peters convened the October Business Meeting at 7:01 PM. All officers with the exception of Faithful Friar Fr. Earl Simonson were present.
- Faithful Admiral Robert Peterson led us in prayer at 7:04 PM before we recited the Pledge of Allegiance and sang the Opening Ode.
- There were no minutes taken at the September 9th meeting so none were read.
- Faithful Purser Michael Steen read two bills. A motion to pay them was made and passed.
- Faithful Scribe Sean Welch read two communications from Past Faithful Friar John Mitchell and Bishop Piché. Bishop Piché invites the Knights to share dinner with him at Mancini's on Saturday November 30th.
- We have one transfer into the Assembly – he is a returning Charter Member. We also have one new member going through Exemplification in Mankato on October 26th.
- Faithful Purser Michael Steen presented the balances and finances and both were accepted as read. Included was a statement that the \$500 not distributed for the veteran's DC trip which was cancelled will be preserved for 1 year so that we can contribute if the trip occurs during that timeframe.
- Faithful Captain Ted Brausen has investigated the cost of having prayer books printed and suggests that adding our Assembly name and logo to the cover of a prayer book already in print is substantially more cost effective. He presented 3 options he found – others will be considered with help from Faithful Admiral Robert Peterson.
- Faithful Trustee 3 Year Richard Jacobson presented the cost outlay for the "Skeet Shoot" fund raising event. The Fund Raising Committee broke even on cost and recommends repeating the event next year. The Committee also recommends a bowling event for another fund raising opportunity.
- Faithful Deputy Guard Commander Alan Savage reports for the By-Laws Committee that the text previously authored was submitted for review by Supreme and the answer was an amended set with more generic language. Supreme strongly suggests that we use their version.

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- The Committee asks that time be given to consider the newly recommended text from Supreme with voting to occur at a later date.
- Faithful Navigator Marc Peters then asked that the Committee look into changing the official location of the Assembly from Anoka to somewhere in Minneapolis to be more consistent with our actual meeting locations. He also asked for an amendment to the By-Laws increasing the threshold for Charitable Giving from \$1k to \$2k. A motion was made and seconded with nearly unanimous approval for passage. A request of Faithful Purser Michael Steen was made to present a YTD comparison of spending for the January meeting to help determine where we are in the budgetary allocations.
- No new member paperwork was submitted.
- A mention was made that the meeting minutes from the previous meeting must be read to be in conformance with regulations.
- Faithful Scribe Sean Welch will take new pictures of the 2013-2014 Officers at the November 11th meeting for use on the web site.
- The Trustees had no report.
- Faithful Deputy Guard Commander Alan Savage asks that a new medallion for his role be ordered. He also reminded us that he will fill the role of Guard Commander during the State Convention. The convention is scheduled to take place at the Bloomington Hampton Inn during the 3rd weekend of May. He is still looking for 100 Sir Knights to be in attendance with an even distribution of regalia colors. Finally he let us know that the 2015 State Convention will take place in Duluth.
- A suggestion was made that we purchase salad bowls for the dinner meetings.
- Faithful Guard Commander Stephen Frank thanks the members for their attendance at dinner meetings and asks us to keep an eye on emails announcing new events.
- Faithful Admiral Robert Peterson had no report to make.

Faithful Admiral Robert Peterson led us in prayer at 8:25 PM before we sang the Closing Ode. Faithful Navigator Marc Peters adjourned the meeting at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted
SK Sean Welch, Faithful Scribe

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EVENTS

- **November 11, 2013, Assembly Mass and Dinner, 5:30 Assembly, 6:00 pm Mass, Dinner and Speaker to follow, Sir Knights and Ladies, Immaculate Conception, Columbia Heights**
- **December 8, 2013 75th Anniversary Mass at Immaculate Conception**
- **December 8, 2013 75th Anniversary Mass at St. Charles Borromeo**
- **December 9, 2013, Bp. Cozzens Episcopal Ordination, Cathedral**

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**Good Shepherd Assembly Meeting Dates 2012-2013
 Meetings to be held on the second Monday of the month**

Date	Time	Meeting Type	Location
11-November-2013	6:00 pm	Mass and Dinner, Sir Knights and Ladies	Immaculate Conception
9-December-2013	6:00 pm	Mass and Dinner, Sir Knights and Ladies	Immaculate Conception
13-January-2014	6:00 pm	Renewal of Obligations Mass and Dinner, Sir Knights	TBD
10-February-2014	6:00 pm	Mass and Dinner, Sir Knights and Ladies	Immaculate Conception
10-March-2014	7:00 pm	Business, Sir Knights only	Church of St. Joseph
14-April-2014	6:00 pm	Mass and Dinner, Sir Knights and Ladies	Immaculate Conception
26-April-2014		SPRING EXEMPLIFICATION	Bemidji, MN
12-May-2014	7:00 pm	Business, Officers Election, Sir Knights only	Church of St. Joseph
9-June-2014	6:00 pm	Installation of Officers, Mass and Dinner Sir Knights and Ladies	Church of St. Joseph