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The Patriot

Knights of Columbus – Fourth Degree Assembly 2794 December 2023



Our Lady of Hope Port Orange, FL

My Fellow Sir Knights,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Can the first half of our 2023-2024 Fraternal Year already be wrapping up. And what a six months it was. All of Our Fall '23 Veterans Projects were awesome thanks to you all. We will of course continue our Vet Bingo on the first Thursday of each month with January 4th our next day to gather for bingo.

I have asked my leadership team about a new program starting in 2024 and they gave a thumbs up. We will gather as a group at funerals for our Veterans, whether they were KoC members or simply Catholic Gentlemen and veterans. I recently came to know the wife of a Veteran who we played bingo with at the VA Nursing Home. She indicated that they had very little family and I thought we the Patriotic Degree and Our Brothers could certainly gather to help her through this difficult time. I will publish the date and times for this service as they become available.

As always, I want to thank all My Brother Knights and Sir Knights for their generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

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Faithful Friar, Fr. Paul's Corner

Worthy Brother Knights,

The month of December is called the month of holidays. As we entered December, I greeted you all by saying 'Happy New Year'. That greeting probably confused many of you. Actually, the church year begins with the first Sunday of Advent on December 3rd. And so we started 2024 the year of grace well before our calendar New Year. December 8th was another very Holy Day, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. We of course will have another Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God on New Years Day. And of course in late December we are preparing to celebrate another very important Solemnity, the Nativity of the Lord on Christmas Eve.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish a 'Very Merry Christmas' and a 'Happy New Year' to all of you, your families, and friends.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Fr. Paul

"One can give without loving, but one cannot love without giving

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Color Corps Report



Corps Report for December 2023

A busy month of December saw nine regional call-outs over the span of six days.

SK Tim Carnego attended the wake for SK Sal DellaVentura on Wednesday, Dec. 6, at Craig Flagler Palms funeral home in Flagler Beach.

The funeral for SK Paul Gloeckler was held on Thursday, Dec. 7, at Santa Maria del Mar in Flagler Beach. Paul was former Faithful Navigator of our assembly and current DD17. Joining me in the Color Corps were SKs Lou Greci, Ted Morrell and Tim Carnego. SKs Lou Rosa and Ernie Rossi also represented Assembly 2794.

The viewing for Brother Knight Benedict Talluto was held on Friday, Dec. 8, at Lohman's near the ERAU campus. SKs Tim Carnego and Wojciechowski were part of a four-man Color Corps. SK Mike Worley of Prince of Peace served as CCC. The funeral for Brother Benedict Talluto was held on Saturday, Dec. 9, at Church of the Epiphany. SKs Jerry Wojciechowski and Stan Hetrick represented Assembly #2794, joined by new SK Billy Howson of Epiphany Council #12569 and Assembly #2794, who had partial regalia. Frank Consentino and Mike Worley were CCCs as part of the seven-man Color Corps.

SK Tim Carnego followed by the funeral by traveling to Crescent City on Sunday, Dec. 9, for the Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass with Bishop Erick Polhmeier.

The funeral for SK Barrett Ferguson has held on Monday, Dec. 18, at Prince of Peace. He was a Former District Deputy and founder of the Prince of Peace Council. We had 11 SKs in regalia, including SKs Tim Carnego, Wes Wengren, Jose Viagara and myself from Assembly 2794.

Please note that we will have two funerals during the first week of January at Our Lady of Hope. The Mass for Veteran James Wahl will be on Thursday, Jan. 4, at 8:30 a.m. The funeral for Brother Carl Acker of Council 8086 is tentatively set for Friday, Jan. 5. There will be a call-out when the Acker date is finalized.

Vivat Jesus!

SK John J. O'Malley, Color Corps Commander

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Arnold Sevcik

16. Glen Space

31. Pat Santovasi

20 Steve Martino

21. John Reilly22. Nolan Archer

23 Bob Dytkowski

23. Ken Weaver

25. Ron Kushner

28 Joe Hochdoerfer

29 Bob Novell

Upcoming and Noteworthy Events

January 2nd Monthly Flag Ceremony

January 4th. Vet Bingp

January 25th Regular Assembly Meeting with our Renewal of Obligation Ceremony

Please Continue to Keep the Following in your Prayers

SK Al Citro SK Edwin Kronseder SK Ernest Rossi Hilda Junco

Dave Carson SK Tom Circelli

Phil Circelli, brother of SK Tom Circelli.

SK Bob Dytkowski Ronnie Santovasi Klobucar Family

Maureen Wojciechowski

SK Art Hobbs SK Al Morganti Sk Rich Small

Brother Knights and Families in the Ukraine

SK Bob Simcoe SK Mike Pettit SK Jim Gallagher

Barbara Parziale

Vickie Kalkenbrenner

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Carl Aker Ed Kronseder