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Meeting Schedule

May 25: Watertown Council

June 15: Needham Council



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Patriotic degree of the Order.

The Sextant Newsletter

Navigator's Message

As we complete our Easter journey, many parishes are busying themselves with First Communion and Confirmation.

We are assembling a slate for officers for the next fraternal year. Please consider holding an office for this year. A nominations committee has been appointed to seek out candidates for offices. Please make your wishes known to Ray Redlinger or John Greely.

The third installment of the History of the Gov. David I Walsh Assembly appears in this edition of the Sextant.

Sir Knight William Crittenden, a Northeastern University Professor, has written an article for the Sextant concerning Charitable Giving. Charity is the First principle of our order and deserves our undivided attention. Readers may find this article helpful in choosing those charities they wish to support, if they are a legitimate charity and what percent of your donation actually goes to the charity vs. administration costs. Bill is a PGK of Our Lady's Council and usually ends his emails with, "Give without expecting a return."



Ascension Day is the celebration of Christ ascending into heaven after His death, burial and resurrection. Ascension Day is observed on the Thursday 40 days after Easter (May 25, 2017). Ascension Day is also called the Feast of Ascension.

Schedule of Events:

Exemplification—May 6, 2016 in Hyannis.

Honor Guard Dinner - 5/11 6:00 PM Social Hour 7:00 PM Dinner

Clam Bake - June 25 2:00 PM at the Watertown Council See Lou Gregoire for tickets. \$15.00 per person

The next meeting will be hosted by the Watertown Council at St Patrick's Church on May 25. Nomination of Officers.

Dues are due

Have you paid your dues yet? There are still a handful of members who have not paid their annual dues of \$12.00.

Please send your dues to the Faithful Comptroller

James J. Laurenza Jr. FDD
210 Pemberton Street
Cambridge, MA 02140-2511

A special Exemplification for the Fourth Degree was held at the Pope St John XXIII National Seminary on April 4, 2017. These seminarians are now members of the Governor David I Walsh Assembly.

Many thanks to Sir Knights Lou Gregoire , Jim Laurenza, Hank Pilla and Ray Redlinger for organizing the Special Exemplification and to the Paul Bergeron the Master of the Fourth Degree team for permitting this to happen.



Honor Guard Commander

- James Laurenza (PFN, PGK)



The past month has been quiet and no Call-Outs were requested but our Spring scheduled requests are filling up.

4/2 Sunday, 9:30 AM St. Francis Cambridge 100 Anniversary.

5/6 Sat, 1:00 PM Our Lady's Waltham Confirmation

5/10 Wed Needham Council St. Joseph Church Our Lady of Fatima Mass 6PM

5/13 McDevitt Council St. Mary's Church Waltham Ugandan Priests first Mass

5/13 Sat, 11:00 AM Sacred Heart Waltham Confirmation

5/28 Watertown Council St. Patrick's Church Memorial Day Mass 10 am

5/28 Our Lady's Council and Church Memorial Day Mass 11 am

6/11 Sunday, 1:30 PM St. Mary's Waltham Uganda Martyr's Mass

Honor Guard Dinner May 11, 2017
 Social Hour 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM
 Miller Ale House 617 Arsenal St Watertown Cost: \$30.00 PP This is open to ALL knights and councils. Cash Bar. This is a fun night out where you can socialize with other Knights and their wives or escorts. Contact Hank Pilla or send a check made out to Hank Pilla 45 Clark St Waltham. 02453-6014. The cutoff date is May 4.



Charitable Giving By Sir Knight William Crittenden PhD

With so many charities today and their increasing marketing sophistication and complex networks of activities it is extremely challenging to know which charities are most effective. As we enter the "Giving Season" those of you who donate to charitable organizations, other than the Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus assembly or council, might be interested in the following: <http://www.monkeysee.com/play/27733-how-to-avoid-charity-scams>

We have to use our heads and our hearts to see that charitable dollars are well spent on causes we care about. To help, there are various groups and charity evaluators that provide useful information. Three particularly good ones are Charity Navigator (www.charitynavigator.org), the Better Business Bureau (www.give.org), and GuideStar (www.guidestar.org). You may have to register for services, but it is free & painless. Some also have a premium level service, but you would not need this unless conducting extensive work related research.

Charity Navigator www.charitynavigator.org is the largest charity evaluator and its website attracts more visitors than all other charity rating groups combined. The site features opinion pieces by experts and top-10 and bottom-10 lists, ranking efficient and inefficient organizations in a number of categories. The site is easily navigable by charity name, location or type of activity. Charity Navigator also sponsored the following videos that you might find useful. <http://www.monkeysee.com/play/27734-charity-evaluation> <http://www.monkeysee.com/play/27731-charity-evaluation-ceo-salary> <http://www.monkeysee.com/play/27732-giving-to-disaster-relief>

The Better Business Bureau www.give.org has developed a very nice site providing free reviews applying twenty accountability standards. Charities meeting their benchmarks are designated as a "BBB Accredited Charity." GuideStar www.guidestar.org includes records from almost 2 million nonprofits registered with the Internal Revenue Service. This includes each organization's Form 990, the basic I.R.S. filing document for nonprofits. Assemblies & Councils typically fill out the so-called EZ or postcard versions of this form.

Assembly and Council Activities

Mothers Day Roses Our Ladys Council, at Our Lady's Church May 13 and 14 at all Masses. Roses are given to ALL women in honor of Mother's Day. Two local nursing homes are also provided with roses.



Annual Clam Bake June 25, 2017 at the Watertown Council 2:00 PM \$15.00 pp. See Lou Gregoire For Tickets. Attendees are encouraged to bring an item for the Raffle that benefits Pope St. John XXXIII Seminary

Council Activities will be published with available information. Please submit complete announcements to Joe Nixon at jgnixon@comcast.net.

Web Site

Our web site project has made a giant step forward. We found a site to host the domain and we have been issued a domain name. We are now designing web pages and gathering information to publish on the site. Newsletters will be available at this site. Those without email but have access to a computer will be able to view bulletins and other information. Connect to our site at <http://www.kofcdavidwalsh403.com/> The site is under construction and all suggestions are welcome!



Massachusetts Knights of Columbus Day With the Pawtucket Red Sox Sunday, August 13 @ 1:35 P.M.

Special K of C Price Per Person \$12.00

Each \$12 ticket is "PRE-LOADED" with a Ballpark Credit of \$4.00 that is redeemable for Merchandise or Concessions.

Order your tickets through the State Office (781) 551-0628

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Governor David I Walsh Assembly

Honor Guard Members



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Steve Werbinski Jr. PFN (Honorary)	Joseph Nixon
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Requiescat in Pace

Paul E. LeBlanc PFN
February 12, 2017 85 Years Old.

Paul was a 25 year member of the Watertown Council #155 and a Korean War Navy Veteran



History of the Governor David I Walsh Assembly

Provided By James Laurenza PFN

Installment 3

At this point, claiming editorial privilege and confident of the acclamation of the Sir Knights of the assembly expresses gratitude to the State Chaplain for his appointment of Reverend Daniel A. McCabe, P.P., of St. Jude's Church in Waltham, as the Chaplain of Governor David I. Walsh, General Assembly. Fr. 'Dan', now Monsignor, has rarely missed a meeting of the Assembly and is held in the highest regard by the members of the Assembly.

Following the election of officers, mimeographed copies of tentative by-laws for the Assembly were distributed. It was pointed out, however, that the proposed by-laws would, of necessity, have to be submitted to the Supreme Master for review and approval and returned to the Assembly before they could become effective.

The attention of the Chair was called to recognize the presence in the hall of Sir Knight John Gallagher of Newton Council, a member of the Order for more than fifty years, a Past Grand Knight and Past Faithful Navigator with an illustrious record of knighthood. At this point, the Faithful Navigator invited Sir Knight John Gal-

agher to conduct the closing prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

On Sunday, January 25, 1953, the formal installation of officers was held at St. John's School Hall. The dinner which followed was presided over by Sir Knight, John H. Walsh; the principal speaker was the Honorable John E. Swift, Supreme Knight. The head table guests were the Most Reverend Eric F. McKenize, Auxiliary Bishop of Boston; Right Reverend Jeremiah F. Minihan, State Chaplain; Right Reverend William J. Daley, Dean Newton District; William J. Mulligan, Supreme Master of the Fourth Degree; Daniel J. Fitzgerald, State Deputy; Joseph Arena, Faithful Navigator of Chevrus Assembly; the Honorable Thomas Connelly, Judge, Brighton District court; and William T. Walsh, Jr., nephew of the late Governor David I Walsh.

At the meeting held September 22, 1953, on a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that Third Degree members and their guests would be allowed to attend the communion breakfast. At this same meeting it was announced that the Color Guard of this Assembly

had been invited to lead the delegation of Fourth Degree Knights escorting Archbishop Cushing to his place of honor at the religious rally to be held at Fenway Park. Again, and at the same meeting, it was announced that the Color Guard had been invited to participate in the exemplification of the Fourth Degree at Worcester for the class to be known as the Bishop Wright Class. The Bishop was to take his Fourth Degree at this exemplification and be the principal speaker at the following dinner.

(Let me note here for inclusion where necessary, that the then Captain of the Color Corps was John Sullivan of Watertown Council. Captain Sullivan led many rehearsals of the Color Corps at St. John's School Hall in order that they might perform in a manner both fitting and enhancing the many appearances of the Corps.)

Installment 4 will appear in the May Edition