



BOOSTER CLUB

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Cardinal Dougherty ASSEMBLY NEWS

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April 2012

Fourth Degree - Knights of Columbus Cardinal Dougherty Assembly Instituted May 26, 1920

"One Nation Under God"

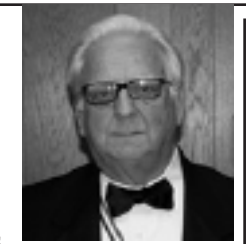
SK Benjamin Linowski, Jr., Faithful Navigator S K Rev. Dennis Weber, Faithful Friar



NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE

My Worthy Sir Knights:

As we hold our Conclave meeting between Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday, we should reflect on the message it gives us as Catholics and our Duty as Catholics to attend and participate in the Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Joyous rising of Our Lord Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. May all of you have a Joyous and Happy Easter. Please support SK Jerry Dugan, Membership



Chairman in recruiting new Candidates for the 4th degree Exemplification. Brother Jerry has done a very good job of getting out the message to enlist a new member this Columbian year.



May the Happiness of the Easter Season be with you and your Families.

Fraternally, Benjamin J. Linowski, Jr. Faithful Navigator

Special Dates in April

- 1 Palm Sunday
4 Conclave
5 Holy Thursday
6 Good Friday
6 U.S. Enters WWI (1917)
8 Easter Sunday

- 9 Robert E. Lee Surrendered (1865)
9 Bataan Death March Began (1942)
15 Orthodox Easter Sunday
16 Income Taxes Due
18 Doolittle Raid on Japan (1942)
30 Vietnam War Ends (1975)

APRIL 2012

Calendar grid for April 2012 with days of the week and dates.



THANK YOU



The End of the Vietnam War & the Fall of Saigon



In early 1974, while the withdrawal of U.S. troops continued, more responsibility was

passed to the ARVN, which continued to prove ineffective in combat, often relying on American support to stave off defeat. On January 27, 1974, a peace accord was signed in Paris ending the

conflict. By March of that year, American combat troops had left the country. After a brief period of peace, North Vietnam recommenced hostilities in late 1974. Pushing through ARVN forces

with ease, they captured Saigon on April 30, 1975, forcing South Vietnam's surrender, reuniting the country and officially ending the war.



Father Michael J. McGivney Guild

The Order of the Knights of Columbus has established The Father McGivney Guild to promote the cause for canonization of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. The goal of the Guild is to spread the good word about his holiness of life, to encourage devotion to his memory and to seek his intercession before the throne of God. The Guild serves as a clearinghouse for information about Father McGivney, his life and works, and any favors attributed to his intercession. Father McGivney is a unique model for today's Catholic and today's Catholic priest because of his attention to the social ills and injustices of his day and his collaboration with the laity. He was zealous for the life of union with God through prayer and the sacraments, and he would have been right at home in today's world. He was then and would be today an eager apostle for the Gospel of life, and a determined foe of the culture of death.

Conclave Meeting

A reminder that ALL Conclaves are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 8:00 PM at the Springfield Inn, on Baltimore Pike, in Springfield. Those wishing to have dinner with us at 7:00 PM, prior to the Conclave should contact SK Joseph S. Paolotti at 610-604-4755 regarding your attendance and menu selection. If you cannot make the dinner, please try to make the meeting.



Chalice Guard

Five Sir Knights went to their eternal rewards in the month of February.

SK Robert Thomas Fawley
Old St. Thomas the Apostle Council #11051,
dod 2/24/12

SK John "Jack" McKenna III
Mater Dei Council #4129, dod 2/24/12

SK William Lines
Americus Council #242, dod 2/13/12

SK James Cattafesta
Oide St. Thomas the Apostle Council #11051,
dod Unknown

Our Chalice Guard is in desperate need of retired and/or available Sir Knights who can attend daytime viewings and/or funerals with our Assembly's Chalice for display. If you can attend and represent your Cardinal Dougherty Assembly at daytime viewings and/or funerals, please email SK Mike Vecchione at veccm@aol.com with your name, Council name & number, email address and your phone number.
SK Mike Vecchione
Chalice Guard Co-Chairman

Doolittle Raid on Japan April 18, 1942

The April 1942 air attack on Japan, launched from the aircraft carrier Hornet and led by Lt. Col. James H. Doolittle, was the most daring operation yet undertaken by the United States in the young Pacific War. Though conceived as a diversion that would also boost American and allied morale, the raid generated strategic benefits that far outweighed its limited goals.

The modern, but relatively well-tested B-25B "Mitchell" medium bomber was selected as the delivery vehicle and tests showed that it could fly off a carrier with a useful bomb load and enough fuel to hit Japan and continue on to airfields in China.

The Hornet steamed toward a planned April 18th afternoon launching point some 400 miles from Japan. However, before dawn on April 18th, enemy picket boats were encountered much further east than expected. These were evaded or sunk, but got off radio warnings, forcing the planes to take off around 8 AM, while still more than 600 miles out.

Most of the sixteen B-25s, each with a five-man crew, attacked the Tokyo area, with a few hitting Nagoya. Damage to the intended military targets was modest, and none of the planes reached the Chinese airfields (though all but a few of their crew-men survived). However, the Japanese high command was deeply embarrassed. Three of the eight American airmen they had captured were executed. Spurred by Combined Fleet Commander Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto, they also resolved to eliminate the risk of any more such raids by the early destruction of America's aircraft carriers, a decision that led them to disaster at the Battle of Midway a month and a half later.



The 114th Exemplification of the Fourth Degree will be on Sunday, May 27, 2012. It will be held at The Doubletree at Valley Forge (Formerly The Dolce Hotel), 301 W. DeKalb Pike, King of Prussia, PA. The Initiation fee for Lay Candidates, Deacons and Seminarists is \$70.00, which includes one banquet ticket, lapel pin, and social baldric. The fee for Priests and members of religious orders is \$50.00. Additional banquet tickets are \$45.00. Ladies Luncheon tickets are \$20.00.

If you have Candidates for the 4th Degree it is important that you send to the Assembly Membership Chairman the Form 4 Application, along with the reservation voucher and a check made payable to "The Master" for the total price. Since the application must be read at two Conclave meetings, it is imperative that you send in the applications as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact me ASAP.

Jerry Dugan, Sr.,
Membership Chairman

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Comptroller's Message

Dues Notice: As of this date, there are a number of Sir Knights, who have not paid their 2012 dues. Check your wallet for the 2012 membership card. If you lost your invoice, send \$ 25.00 along with your name and membership number (same number as on your council membership card) to John J Cruise Jr, Comptroller, 217 Scottdale Road, Lansdowne, PA 19050. If you are out of work or have some other problem, please call me at 610-256-7600. Arrangements can be made.

Remember: Silence is suspension.

Booster Club Members:

If an ** is beside your name, It is time to renew your Booster Club Membership.

If you donated or extended your newsletter booster and it is not in the newsletter with a correct ending date, we are in the process of updating that list. You have not been forgotten. We will get it rectified. We should have it fixed by the May Newsletter. You will be credited for any lost months on the list.

Jack Cruise

Faithful Comptroller

