



Fr. Thomas A. Casey Assembly #3596

Navigator's Log May 2023

The May 2023 *Navigator's Log* is attached for your enjoyment, reflection and prayers. Sincere appreciation imparted to all Brother Knights who support the Assembly through their participation and acknowledgement of the goals and principles of the Council and Assembly.

Come to a Meeting – Get Involved

As stated at our March meeting, I believe that every Sir Knight should try to make at least one meeting a year because each of you have program ideas that are worth hearing. But I understand if you cannot make this goal. I hope you will email the trustees (trustees@assembly3596.org) or me (navigator@assembly3596.org) with your ideas on how we can improve the Assembly.

Special Prayers and Health Report

If you know of other Sir Knights or their family members in need of prayers for health, family, or personal issues, please obtain their permission to release their name to their brother Sir Knights. Once you obtain the Sir Knight's permission, please send me (navigator@assembly3596.org) their names and I will reach out to verify their permission and what information want to have released to their fellow Sir Knights.

This month we lost two Sir Knights, SK John Rensbarger, SK and Past Grand Knight Paul Gauthier and the wife of one of our Sir Knights Fred Parker, Mary Parker. I ask that as we pray for the repose of the three souls that we also pray for Laurel Gauthier, Frances Rensberger, SK Fred Parker and their families. Let us pray "Our Lady of the Knights, we humbly ask that you grace our lost Sir Knights and Mary Parker with your abundance of love and many blessings following their deaths."

Even though may not know the names of all of or brother Knights or the names of their family members with failing health, I ask that we all pray for all of the Knights and their family members of Councils 8600 and 12963 and Assembly 3596 and for the following SKs that are recovering from injuries and illnesses to include these known Sir Knights: Johnny Restivo, David Sharp, James Cella, Steve Brown, and Mike Mannion. We pray

"Our Lady of the Knights, we ask that you join us as we pray to the Lord for all of our brother Knights and their family members experiencing illnesses and physical pain. We ask you to please show them the path for a quick recovery from their sickness, emotional and physical pain that is causing them suffering. Watch over them, infuse them with a relentless desire for healing. Guide and inspire their caregivers to find the right medicines and treatments to overcome their pains. Please, hold the hands of those we pray for as well as their families while guiding their care team to provide the right support during these difficult moments. Always let the member and their family fill the positive spirit to face and survive the challenging moments."

The 2023-2024 Assembly Slate

The following slate for the upcoming 2023-2024 Fraternal Year was announced at the April 11, 2023 meeting by SK Stephen Bucher, FDD, PFN, PGK; SK Alphonse Obuchowski, FDD, PFN, PGK; and SK Donald

Mailki, PFN. On May 9th, the assembly will vote on the officers. We ask all Sir Knights to attend the upcoming meeting to vote for the nominated officers.

Office	Officer
Faithful Navigator	SK John Morgan, PGK
Faithful Friar	Rev. SK James Barkett
Faithful Captain	SK W. Anthony Vanderbeek, PGK
Faithful Pilot	† Paul Wilkinson WITHDREW
Faithful Scribe	SK Thomas Komara
Faithful Comptroller	SK Joseph Osborne
Faithful Purser	SK Hank Chalkley
Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK Douglas Fraser
Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Ronald Martel
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Faithful Admiral	SK David Sharp, PGK, PFN
Faithful 3-Year Trustee	SK Donald Mailki, PFN
Faithful 2-Year Trustee	SK Stephen Bucher, FDD, PFN, PGK
Faithful 1- Year Trustee	SK James Cella, PFN, PGK
Color Corps Commander	Gerry Rutkowski, FDD, PFN, PGK

† As noted, the nominee for the Office of Faithful Pilot, Paul Wilkinson, withdrew his name from the slate for personal reasons after the 11 April 2023 meeting. Nominations to fill the vacant position from the floor will be welcome at time of the Election at the next meeting. Anyone interested in this position should contact a member of the Nominating Committee.

The Faithful Friar will be appointed by the Bishop of Arlington.

The Color Corps Commander will be appointed by the new Faithful Navigator.

The office of Faithful 2-Year Trustee is a continuation of a 3-year term to which SK Donald Mailki, PFN, was previously elected; likewise, the office of Faithful 1-Year Trustee is a continuation of a 3-year term to which SK James Cella, PFN, PGK, was previously elected.

Assembly 3596 Official Regalia Dress (ORD) Initiative

This season, we anticipate increased need Color Corps members for an increased number of Color Corps opportunities in our parish from Confirmations, Corpus Christi processions, and public parades more reasons for our Sir Knights to obtain the Official Regalia Dress (ORD).

At the beginning of my tenure as Faithful Navigator, the Assembly 3596 passed a resolution to provide a \$100.00 subsidy for all Sir Knights not currently in possession of the new ORD to help them purchase a current version of the ORD uniform.

The Faithful Navigator and the Member will sign a letter of agreement attesting to their understanding of the rebate requirements. The program requirements include presenting proof of purchase/payment to the Faithful Comptroller and the Color Corps Commander, participating a minimum of four Assembly Color Corps activities which may include Assembly approved parades and religious processions, funeral services,

and any other activity approved by the Color Corps Commander where the new ORD uniform is required to be worn.

The rebate form and letter of agreement can be found on the Assembly 3596 website below the September website. Select the following link to read or obtain a copy of the [resolution](#). The draft agreement letter can be obtained from the Faithful Navigator or the Color Corps Commander.

Traditional ORD Package:

www.kofcuniform.com <https://www.kofcuniform.com>

Total Cost: \$500.00 or so. Rebate from Fr. Thomas A. Casey Assembly \$100.

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Typical Sword Order: A small number of swords are available for use through the Assembly.

www.kofcsupplies.com

Total: \$233.00 or so. Total Includes white gloves and service baldric.

Member Contact Information

For the Council's and Assembly's leadership to impart the latest information to its members, we ask that each Knight and Sir Knight who have moved or have changed their email or home or mobile phone number contact the Council Financial Secretary Richard Lee (FS@kofc8600.org) and/or the Assembly Comptroller Joe Osborne (Comptroller@assembly3596.org) to ensure their information is changed at the Council, Assembly or Supreme.

Upcoming May and June Assembly and Key Parish Events with Indicated Color Guard Requirements:

- Friday, May 5, 1st Friday adoration
- Tuesday, May 9-7:30 pm Assembly meeting and elections
- Tuesday, May 16-7:00 pm St. Mary of Sorrows confirmation (Honor Guard requirement) Signup
Genius has been distributed to the Assembly members. We need a minimum of eight Honor Guard members.
- Saturday, May 20-5:45 pm, Polish Dinner.
- Sunday, May 21-7:30 pm, Pancake Breakfast .
- Thursday, June 11, Corpus Christi (Honor Guard Requirement). Event still being planned, so watch for updated information as we get closer to the actual date.
- Tuesday, June 13, 7:30 pm, Final Assembly Meeting for the Fraternal Year.
- Wednesday, June 14, 1:00 pm, Flag Day. Event is still being planned, so watch for updated information as we get closer to the actual date.