



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Council 11187

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY MEMORIAL DAY

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Dear Worthy Brothers,

As our fraternal year comes to a close, we still have a couple of events left on the calendar. The Wives' Appreciation Dinner is on May 16th, and we have our Council elections for officers in June. This is a great opportunity for any brother who is trying to get more involved with the Council. If you don't want to be an officer there are several programs that you can help out with or lead. If you are interested in any of the officer positions, please contact Jesus Garcia at jvlag3@charter.net. If you are interested in any of the other Directorship positions, please contact me at grandknight@kofc11187.com.

The Summer months will be soon be here. This period of time is a little bit of down time for the Knights; in that we do not have any programs that we run. However as parishioners we do help the Parish with the Parish Festival. I want to thank all of you for the hard work you have done this past year. With out your hard work and support our programs would not have been the success that they were. Thank you. Enjoy the summer with your families and God Bless.

God Bless.

Charles Slaby

Grand Knight
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Chancellor's Corner

Out of charity my brothers, please pray Psalm 130 (De Profundis) or the Eternal Rest prayer for our deceased Brother Knights in Council 11187 who fell asleep in the Lord during the month of May:

† Lavern E. Pax – May 7, 2022
† George C. Yurt – May 8, 2011
† Mark A. Newhouse – May 15, 2022

Steven Blevins

Chancellor

Psalm 130: A Song of Ascents.
Out of the depths I call to you, LORD;
Lord, hear my cry!
May your ears be attentive
to my cry for mercy.
If you, LORD, keep account of sins,
Lord, who can stand?
But with you is forgiveness
and so you are revered.
I wait for the LORD,
my soul waits
and I hope for his word.
My soul looks for the Lord
more than sentinels for daybreak.
More than sentinels for daybreak,
let Israel hope in the LORD,
For with the LORD is mercy,
with him is plenteous redemption,
And he will redeem Israel
from all its sins.

Membership Meeting Notes -

April 8, 2026

Grand Knight Chuck Slaby called the meeting to order at 7 pm with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Officers: Missing were the Chaplin, Chancellor, Outside Guard, 3rd Year Trustee, and 2nd Year Trustee, all excused. The Deputy Grand Knight position is open. Wayne Patterson made a motion to approve the minutes from last month's meeting, 2nd by Dick Petersen. Voted upon and passed.

Chaplain Report: Absent, no report.

Membership Report: George Bartos reported as of 3/31/26 we currently have 291 members, Next Exemplification in Church will be 4/26/26, have 4 names that have already been read. Only need 4 more new members to meet our quota for this FY.

Grand Knight Report: GK Chuck Slaby mentioned that the Assembly Card meeting is 4/15; Game Night is 4/17; Blue Coat Dinner is 4/18; and next Exemplification is 4/26. There were 109 children for the Easter Egg Hunt on 3/28, thanks to the Mom's group for refreshments and the Knights that helped out. Discussed the email scam from the Grand Knight using his name requesting to pay for program/event expenses, he would never use email to ask for money to fund programs.

Deputy Grand Knight Report: No report.

Treasurer's Report: DJ Murphy emailed the financial report to the officers, program chairs, and those who requested a copy, let him know if there are any questions or if anyone else wants a copy. Everything is up to date, balanced and has been reconciled. Reminder, get RFR's turned in before this FY ends on 6/30/26.

Financial Secretary Report: George Bartos reported that he emailed the Officers and Director the April State Council Newsletter and Diocese Chapter March notes, if anyone else would like a copy, let him know. State Convention is 5/22-24/26 at the Hilton Columbus at Easton, if interested in attending let GK Chuck Slaby or him know, our Council can send 2 delegates plus 2 guests. If you would like to help out with the event, contact Treasurer Chris Sarka at 614.546.6357 or c_sarka@hotmail.com. Still working on collecting dues for 2026, 11 members have not yet paid.

Chancellor Report: Absent, no report.

Advocate Report: Frank Hare mentioned that if any changes are needed to the Council rules, let him know so the Resolutions can be updated.

Warden Report: Werner Christian stated that over 600 Cash Bonanza raffle tickets have already been sold, next turn in will be 5/1/26. Drawing will be held at the State Convention in May.

Trustees Report: Jesus Garcia stated that election of Officers for fraternal year 2026/27 starting 7/1/26 will be conducted at the June membership meeting. In the April Newsletter the Council Officer Duties are listed and currently there are open positions for Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Advocate and Outside Guard. Dick Petersen suggested that members think about it, consider it, pray on it and let any Trustee know if interested in any of the Officer or Program Director positions.

Programs and Committees

Program Director: Absent, no report.

Community Report: Wayne Patterson thanked the Knights for the Food Drive on 3/21-22/26 for the Pickerington Food Panty, collected 1,240 lbs. of food and \$XXX in cash. Every dollar in cash equates to \$11 in food that can be purchased.

Faith/Vocations Report: Absent, no report.

Report of the Fourth Degree: Wayne Patterson reported the next

Assembly meeting is 4/15/26 with dinner being moved to 6 pm as there is an Honor Flight that evening, meet at 8 pm at Seton to car pool to the airport. The next Fourth Degree Exemplification is 5/2/26 in New Albany, currently have 4 Knights plus Father Petros that are interested, if any other 3rd degree Knight is interested, let him know so a Form 400 can be completed, will send an email to Council members with details. There will be another Exemplification in the fall, but no date or place announced.

Family Report: Absent, no report.

Youth Director: Jay Oconer announced that he has received 3 applications thus far for the Knights Scholarship, information is now on the website, contact him if you know of any student that may be interested. Talked about the "Hearts & Hammers Work Camp" this summer for the Seton Parish Youth.

Culture of Life Report: Absent, no report.

Public Relations: Chris Heine, no report.

Fish Fries: Frank Hare stated we set a new record with 5,110 guests served, sold all the fish and food at the last one. Ended by making more money than last year. Thanked all involved in making this fund raiser such a great success.

Card Knights: George Batos reported the next Euchre card night is 4/17/26 in the PAC starting at 7 pm, hosted by Andy & Jennifer Reitz. All Seton parishioners are invited.

Blue Coat Dinner: Chris LaRosa mentioned that all members are invited to this event on 4/18/26 at 6 pm in the PAC that honors first responders with a dinner of prime rib or chicken and an awards ceremony, RSVP to him. Knights will again serve the guest.

Knights Merchandise: If anyone is interested in obtaining a Knight shirt or hat, contact Chris LaRosa at chris.larosa@gmail.com or 614.835.7102 for a full list of options and prices.

Unfinished Business:

MOTION: Wayne Patterson made a motion to donate \$XXX from the Community budget to Seton's St. Vincent de Paul, 2nd by Thom Laughery. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the April 8th membership meeting. Discussion occurred, voted upon and passed.

MOTION: Wayne Patterson made a motion to spend up to \$XXX from the Community budget to provide hamburger & hotdogs for the Seton Sages summer picnic on 6/4/26, 2nd by Frank Hare. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the April 8th membership meeting. Discussion occurred, voted upon and passed.

MOTION: Thom Laughery made a motion to spend up to \$XXX from the Faith Activities budget to purchase Sacred Heart enthronement packets for the June 12th event at Seton that the Knights are sponsoring, 2nd by Wayne Patterson. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the April 8th membership meeting. Discussion occurred, voted upon and passed.

MOTION: Dick Petersen made a motion to spend up to \$XXX *, budgeted line item, to purchase food, drinks, awards, etc. for the Blue Coat Dinner on 4/18/26, 2nd by George Bartos. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the April 8th membership meeting. Discussion occurred, voted upon and passed. *(In the Business Planning Meeting Notes - March 25, 2026, the amount was inadvertently listed as \$XXX, but the actual motion was for \$XXX)

MOTION: George Bartos made a motion to spend up to \$XXX from the Council budget to cover expenses associated with the Knights State Convention in Columbus in May, 2nd by Wayne Patterson. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the April 8th membership meeting. Discussion occurred, voted upon and passed.

Dick Petersen has volunteered to lead a committee with Ray Ganem as a consultant to review the results of the Council's SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) Analysis that occurred on 7/8/25. Had their first meeting this evening with good input, plans to report in more detail next month. Work in progress, no additional update as the committee has not had another meeting

New Business: None

Field Agent: Absent, but if interested in any Knights insurance or financial products, contact Gregory Dowdell at (740) 406-0041.

District Deputy Report: Steve Doyle reminded us that nominations for new Officers for Fraternal Year 2026/27 are coming up. Mentioned that our Council had a very good Fish Fry.

Brothers in Need: Eli Pulles, Mike Gohr, Maria Garcia, Maureen Patterson, Cathy Patterson, Sandra Blamer, Sharon Coholich, Franzisca Christian, Gertraud Christian, John Samborsky, Karen Mernan John Petersen, Phil LaRosa, Lexie Hilbent, Paula Okkerse, Ron Keso, Jorge Oconer, Arlie Saldana, All Military Members, Carl Maslanka, and Father Alfred Stluka (RIP).

Lecturer Report: Dick Petersen mentioned that April 1st signals the end of the liturgical season of Lent. Continue to think of our Lord's passion and death on the cross so that we may feel a small portion of His tremendous love for us.

SOS Fund: \$XXX was collected this evening for the "Support our Seminarians".

Other Comments:

Wayne Patterson stated that Thom Laughery had received a thank you letter from the Columbus VA for the Knights donation of clothing & other items, total donations valued at \$XXX.

Ray Ganem reminded us to vote as May 5th is election day in Ohio, early voting is under way.

Frank Hare stated that the Knights have been asked to grill/serve for the reception for Zack Goodchild on 5/24/26 following his first mass as a priest.

Frank Hare also stated that the Knights have been asked to cook/serve for Father Leo's retirement and Father Sunder farewell on 7/11/26.

Dick Petersen mentioned that with taxes being due on April 15th, a donation up to \$XXX to the Columbus Diocese for a Catholic education scholarship can be deducted on line 15 of the Ohio tax form.

GK Chuck Slaby received a letter from Supreme pertaining to upcoming elections, encouraging Knights to be involved in politics, but do not endorse candidates in the name of Knights or represent your viewpoint as a Knights viewpoint.

GK Chuck Slaby officially closed the meeting at 8:00 pm with a prayer, everyone was invited to join for a social gathering. Next Business Planning Meeting is scheduled for May 6th at 6:30 pm and Membership Meeting is scheduled for May 13th at 7:00 pm, rosary prayed at 6:30 pm. Both meetings will be held in Herrmann Hall.

Business Meeting Notes - May 6, 2026

Grand Knight Chuck Slaby called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with a prayer.

Grand Knight Report: GK Chuck Slaby indicated that prior to the membership meeting on 5/13/26, we will have a 5-minute presentation from Kristin Garrabrou, Coordinator for PHDC (Pregnancy Decision Health Centers). Membership meeting next week, 5/13/26, will be in the PAC. Elections for Officers for FY 2026/27 will be coming up in June, the Trustees will provide more information. Wives Appreciation Dinner is 5/16/26. Although our Councils website is not

secure, it can be assessed at www.kofc11187.com.

Deputy Grand Knight Report: Open, no report.

Chaplain Report: Absent, no report.

Treasurer's Report: DJ Murphy emailed the financial report to the officers, program chairs, and those who requested a copy, email him back if there are any questions or if anyone else wants a copy. Everything has been reconciled. Emailed officers on 5/4/26 a tentative proposal/ timeline for the orderly transfer of responsibilities and material to Joe Faga who will be the newly elected Council Treasurer starting 7/1/26. Early July will need to designate signers for Council checks at Fairfield Federal. Will need to schedule an Audit for FY 2025/26. Plans to develop a FY 2026/27 budget for discussion and tentative approval by the new leadership group, provide him with any recommendations. Per the required Resolution for "Capital Equipment/Improvement Committee", the Treasurer with notification to the membership at a regular monthly meeting, transfer 15% of net income generated by food related fundraising activities to the Capital Benefits and Reserve Account, for FY 2025/26, net income of \$XXX so the total to transfer is \$XXX. Still holding in reserve money for the Squires, leadership will need to decide what to do with this amount.

Financial Secretary Report: GK Chuck Slaby on behalf of George Bartos reported that he emailed the Officers and Directors the May State Council Newsletter and the Diocese Chapter April notes, if anyone else would like a copy, let George know. State Convention is 5/22-24/26 in Columbus, if interested in attending let GK Chuck Slaby or George know, the Council can send 4 people, any Knight can attend the event/dinner on Saturday. If you would like to help out with the event, contact Treasurer Chris Sarka at 614.546.6357 or c_sarka@hotmail.com.

Chancellor Report: Absent, no report.

Advocate Report: Frank Hare, no report.

Membership Report: GK Chuck Slaby on behalf of George Bartos reported as of 4/30/26, 291 total members, will change as we have 2 new Brothers along with transfers out and resignations process though the system. Currently have 62 Honorary Life, 11 Honorary and 71 Insurance. Congratulation to Joe Wessel, recent transfer from 478 in Marietta, for achieving Honorary Life in April. Need another Exemplification as currently have 2 applicants already read and approximately 45 members who do not have their 3rd degree. New Form 100's that need to be read are for Joseph (Buzz) Hirt and Alexander (Xander) Mitchell. 145 members paid their 2026 dues on line, 70 paid by check/cash and 13 did not pay or respond to inquiries so in the process of Knights Alert, then affiliation.

Warden Report: Werner Christian who chaired the Cash Bonanza raffle stated 865 tickets were sold. May 15th is the final turn in as the drawing will occur at the State Convention on 5/23/26.

Trustees Report: Jesus Garcia stated the Trustees are working on the ballot for the officer positions for FY 2026/27, still talking to several members, election is next month. The Trustees have tentatively scheduled the final Audit for FY 2025/26 for Sunday evening, 6/28/26.

Programs and Committees

Program Director: Bob Coholich plans to review the programs to see if we can obtain more points. Will need 15 members to attend the Knights Fraternal Benefits event - financial webinar, "Invest with Integrity" on 5/19/26 at 8 pm, in order to qualify for Star Council. Plans to email the information to all members for registering for this event.

Report of the Fourth Degree: Frank Hare mentioned that the Assembly meeting in the PAC is 5/20/26 with a Taco Bar meal at 6:45pm. An off-site social will be on 5/30/26 with a noon luncheon in the PAC and then attend a 2 pm performance of "Force of Nature" at the Weathervane Playhouse in Newark. Faithful Navigator Joe Douglas stated 5 members of Council 11187 and 1 from Council 16561 attended the Fourth Degree Exemplification on 5/2/26 in New Albany, our Council has close to 20% of our members as Fourth Degree with most Councils only at 10%.

Community Report: Wayne Patterson sent around a picture of a Blue Coat Award winner that he would like to have in the next newsletter. Plans to have an Honor Guard for Father Zack Goodchild first mass on 5/24/26.

Faith/Vocations Report: Thom Laughery discussed Deacon Steve Venturini passing on May 5th, the Council will present his wife with his certificate for being "Clergy of the Year". Starting 5/14/26 after the 8:30 am daily mass there will be a 9-day Novena Prayer for the priestly ordination of Deacon Zack Goodchild, ending on 5/22/26, his first mass will be at Seton on 5/24/26 at 2 pm. The RSVP money from our Council will be presented to Zack at his reception party. Met with Father Leo pertaining to the "Scared Heart of Jesus" enthronement program on 6/12/26, 6:30 pm, at Seton, Tim Bowie will conduct the ceremony, will need help passing out kits & holy cards, plans to email out more information.

Youth Director: Jay Oconer reminded and encouraged high school seniors to apply for the Knights Scholarship.

Culture of Life Report: Absent, no report.

Public Relation: Chris Heine emailed to the officers a rough draft of a communication statement that he would like to send all members with upcoming K of C events since the Seton bulletin has scaled back the Knights only information.

Seton Sages: Frank Hare has been asked by the Seton Sages committee for the Knights to grill hamburgers and hotdogs at their 6/4/26 summer picnic.

Wives Appreciation Dinner: Dick Petersen has only 36 to 40 people coming thus far for the 5/16/26 event, talk it up and RSVP to him at rjpetersen@att.net or 614-981-2761 with your choice of beef or chicken.

Card Knights: 36 people attended the Euchre card night on 4/17/26, most since it started. Andy & Jennifer Reitz have proposed tentative card dates of 7/17/26, 10/26/26 and then January & April in 2027.

Zack Goodchild Reception: Frank Hare mentioned that the Knights have been asked to assist with serving food on 5/24/26, will need some volunteers. Would like to see Knights attend his first mass and his reception.

Father Leo Retirement & Father Sunder Farewell Party: Frank Hare mentioned that the Knights have been asked to cook & serve hamburgers & hotdogs for this event following mass on Saturday, 7/11/26, the Parish is paying for the food. Suggest wearing a Knights shirt if attending.

District Deputy Report: Absent, no report.

Field Agent: Absent, no report.

Unfinished Business:

SWOT: Dick Petersen gave an update on the committee that are reviewing the Council's SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) Analysis results that occurred on 7/8/25. Moving ahead and have identified areas to improve upon including a leadership succession plan, getting younger members more active, and how to communicate to them. Plans to publish the pre-document to review and is open to suggestions or ideas. Appreciates all the guys

helping him with this project.

New Business:

MOTION: Frank Hare made a motion to spend up to \$XXX from the Council Budget for beverages for Zack Goodchild ordination reception on 5/24/26, 2nd by Jesus Garcia. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the May 13th membership meeting.

MOTION: Jay Oconer made a motion to donate \$XXX from the Youth Budget to sponsor four \$XXX scholarships for the SPY ministry "Hearts & Hammers Work Camp", July 22-26/26, 2nd by Frank Hare. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the May 13th membership meeting.

MOTION: Jay Oconer made a motion to donate \$XXX to the Boys Scouts from the Youth Budget to sponsor one youth, \$XXX, and one adult, \$270 to attend a leadership skills training camp, 2nd by Wayne Patterson. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the May 13th membership meeting.

MOTION: Chris Heine made a motion to donate \$XXX to the Seton Parish Festival from the PR Communications Budget, 2nd by Wayne Patterson. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the May 13th membership meeting.

MOTION: Bob Coholich made a motion to spend \$XXX from the Council Budget to give \$XXX cash for the six "Of the Year" winners for this fraternal year, 2nd by Wayne Patterson. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the May 13th membership meeting.

MOTION: Wayne Patterson made a motion to donate \$XXX to the Kairos Ministry at Seton from the Community Budget, 2nd by Bob Coholich. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the May 13th membership meeting.

MOTION: Jesus Garcia made a motion to spend up to \$XXX, advertising/plagues expense, for the Car Show on 8/16/26 during the Seton Parish Festival, fund raising item, 2nd by Dick Petersen. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the May 13th membership meeting.

MOTION: Jesus Garcia made a motion to spend \$XXX, amount split with Assembly 2900, for Council 11187/Assembly 2900 com address and web address from the Administrative budget, 2nd by Sergio Martinez. Officers voted/approved to have further discussion/voting at the May 13th membership meeting.

Other Comments:

GK Chuck Slaby on behalf of George Bartos reported.

Remember to submit RSVP & food for families refund application

Remember to submit ASAP applications

Columbian Award application form no. SP-7 is due by June 30th

Submit Officer report form no. 185 in member management by June 30th

Grand Knight Chuck Slaby closed the meeting at 7:50 pm with prayers for the soul of Deacon Steve Venturini. Membership Meeting in the PAC is scheduled for May 13th at 7 pm, rosary will be prayed at 6:30 pm.

Vince Pulles

Recorder

Health Corner - May 2026

Spinal Stenosis

Hello Brothers and Fellow Knights. Recently my dear wife, Maria, underwent back surgery, a fusion of her lower two vertebrae. For over 15 years, she's had a lot of lower back pain (mostly arthritis related). Over the past year, her pain had gotten progressively worse, making even the most routine tasks unbearable to complete. Not only did the pain occur in her lower back, but because of the pressure on her nerves, the pain would extend down her left leg.

No one truly wants to undergo a major surgery, like a spinal fusion, but this was Maria's last resort. No treatments gave her any relief, including various pain medications, modifying movement and activity, physical therapy, and steroid injections. After an MRI showed a diagnosis of severe spinal stenosis, she was referred to a surgeon. While she still has a long way to go for her recovery, she is happy she chose the surgery route. She no longer has the debilitating pain she suffered prior to surgery.

Spinal stenosis, according to the Cleveland Clinic, is the *"narrowing of one or more spaces within your spinal canal."* Cleveland Clinic further explains, *"Your spinal canal is the tunnel that runs through each of the vertebrae in your spine...and contains your spinal cord."* Over time, health conditions like arthritis, bone spurs, and bulging or herniated disks can cause spinal stenosis. This can affect any portion of your spine, but is typically in the lower back or the neck area.

Cleveland Clinic states that this narrowing of the spaces in your spinal canal can cause spinal nerve irritation and compression or pinching. This, in turn, causes back pain and numbness or tingling in your neck and extremities. Spinal stenosis usually progresses slowly over time, unless caused by a sudden injury.

There are four stages of spinal stenosis. If caught at an early stage, pain medication and physical therapy may be all one needs. However, once the pain affects the quality of life, making it extremely difficult to complete even the simplest of tasks, surgery may be the only option.

Matthew Garcia

Sources:

- 1)Cleveland Clinic
<https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diseases/17499-spinal-stenosis>
- 2) Maria Garcia, 50 Timber Ridge Dr, Pickerington, OH 43147

Happy Birthday - May

Cruz Armando Flores	Steve McCullough
John Hamilton	Chase Nelson
Franklin Hare	Patrick O'Linn
Jason Heitmeyer	E Perez Najera
Thomas Hern	William Rogers
Scott Jerrome	James Sandhofer
Charlie Johnson	Martin Temenu
Jon Kerschner	Francis Ubadineke
Phil King	Eugene Venetta
Michael Klug	Michael White
Mark Knight	Marvin Woods
Jose Leon	Mark Yates

Meditation for May 2026

Reflection for May

May is a special month where we honor Mary, Mother of God. Here are 7 ways to consider adding to your prayer life to honor her.

1) Make a Marian Shrine

Set up a special place in your home, dorm, office, etc., in honor of our Blessed Mother! All you need is a statue or image of the Virgin Mary. Consider gifting her with a vase of fresh flowers, and take the time to visit this special place during your prayer routine. It can be as extravagant or as simple as you feel called to do.

2) Plant a Marian Garden

Spring has sprung! Plant a garden dedicated to Our Lady. If you do not have the space to do so, consider keeping a vase of fresh flowers in your home or gift a bouquet to the Marian shrine at your parish.

3) Pray the Rosary Daily

Our Lady instructed us to pray the Rosary every day. If you do not do so already, make this a habit during the month of Mary specifically. You will be amazed by the graces that come forth from doing so!

4) Learn about Marian Apparitions

What is your favorite Marian apparition? Is there an apparition of Our Lady you've been wanting to learn more about? Consider this the perfect time to do so!

5) Have a Go-To Marian Prayer

There are various Marian prayers we can turn to as Catholics. Having one that resonates with your season in life-whether it's the Hail Mary, Memorare, or a simple, "Mary, Mother of Jesus, be a Mother to Me Now," is a game changer.

6) Pray the Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary

Our Lady [promised special graces](#) for those who honor her Seven Sorrows.

7) Complete a Marian Consecration

Through consecration of oneself to Mary, we acknowledge her role as the Mother of Our Lord and entrust our intentions to her intercession. We believe that she hand-delivers our prayers to her most Holy Son. We worship God more fully by honoring His Mother!

Richard Petersen, PGK

Lecturer

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Council Officer Duties

Gentlemen, the time has come for our election of officer's for the next fraternal year. We are starting a bit early this year due to the high turnover that is going to take place. Many ask at this time, of the duties of the positions. These are listed here below for your consideration.

Not included here, Financial Secretary and Lecturer, are appointed by either the Grand Knight or Supreme.

For any of you who wish to eventually attain the position of Grand Knight, a good practice (but, not a requirement) is to hold all offices.

This aids you in directing your officers once in the top spot.

Grand Knight: The Grand Knight is responsible for the welfare of the council. He presides over council meetings, acts as an ex-officio member of all committees, appoints a membership and programming director, convenes officers for a monthly meeting, and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the state and Supreme Council. He should also be aware of the council's financial status and ensure that his signature appears on all checks drawn. The Grand Knight is a member of the Advisory Board with general supervision of the council's Columbian Squire circle.

Deputy Grand Knight: The Deputy Grand Knight is second in command. He assists the Grand Knight with council affairs and fulfills all duties assigned to him by the Grand Knight. Should the Grand Knight be absent from a council meeting, the Deputy Grand Knight presides. He is chairman of the council's retention committee and also a member of the Advisory Board charged with overseeing the council's sponsored Columbian Squires circle.

Chancellor: The Chancellor has a variety of responsibilities. Primarily, he assists the Grand Knight and the Deputy Grand Knight in the execution of their duties and oversees the council in both their absences. He is charged with strengthening the members' interests in council activities. The Chancellor is chairman of the admission committee and a member of the Columbian Squires circle ceremonial team.

Recorder: The Recorder is similar to a court reporter or a secretary. He is responsible for maintaining a true record of all actions of the council and its correspondence.

Treasurer: The Treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping and maintaining records of all council funds and accounts. He is responsible for depositing money into the council's accounts and provides a certificate of such monies to the Grand Knight. He is also responsible for payment of all expenses.

Advocate: The Advocate is the legal representative of the council and serves as the council's attorney at trials and investigations of any interest to the council. While he does not need to be a member of the legal profession, he should be familiar with the council by-laws, the Order's Charter, Constitution and Laws, Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting, and Robert's Rules of Order.

Warden: The Warden is the 'watchdog' for council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the financial secretary, treasurer and recorder. He is also responsible for setting up the council chambers for meetings and ceremonial work. During ceremonial exemplifications, he will appoint and supervise guards.

Inside/Outside Guards: The Guards have similar responsibilities, but distinct differences. The Outside Guard tends to the outer door admitting visitors and members to the inner door. Once at the inner door, the Inside Guard checks to make sure that their membership cards are current.

Board of Trustees: The Board of Trustees consists of three members elected by the council and the Grand Knight, who serves as chairman of the board. They oversee the work of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer, and with the Deputy Grand Knight serve on the council's retention committee. During council elections, only the Three-year Trustee is voted on, with the others moving on to become two and one-year trustees, respectively.

If you have any questions, please contact any of the current officers

Current Council Officers and Confirmed 2026/27 positions

Current Roster is	<u>2025/26</u>	<u>2026/27</u>
Grand Knight	Charles Slaby, PGK	Charles Slaby, PGK
Deputy Grand Knight	Open	R Wayne Patterson
Chancellor	Steven Blevins	Steven Blevins
Advocate	Frank Hare, PGK	DJ Murphy
Financial Secretary*	George Bartos	George Bartos
Treasurer	DJ Murphy	Joseph Faga
Recorder	Vince Pulles	Vince Pulles
Warden	Werner Christian	Werner Christian
Inside Guard	Sergio Martinez	Sergio Martinez
Outside Guard	John Joodi	
3 rd Yr Trustee	Dick Petersen, PGK	Charles Slaby, PGK
2 nd Yr Trustee	Thom Laughery, PGK	Frank Hare, PGK
1 st Yr Trustee	Jesus Garcia, PGK	Thom Laughery, PGK

*Appointed

2025/2026 Council 11187 Calendar

July

02 Business Meeting - 6:30
05 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
06 Knight's Mass
09 Membership Meeting - 7:00
16 Assembly Meeting - 6:45
30 Business Meeting - 6:30

04 Independence Day

27 Exemplification Sanctuary/HH

October

01 Business Meeting - 6:30
04 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
05 Knight's Mass
08 Membership Meeting - 7:00
15 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

12 Council Anniversary

13 Columbus Day

12 1st Pancake Breakfast

25 Family Fun Festival

January 2026

03 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
04 Knight's Mass
07 Business Meeting - 6:30
14 Membership Meeting - 7:00
21 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

01 New Year's Day

19 MLK Birthday

11 4th Pancake Breakfast

16* Card Knights PAC 7-11

18 Free Throw Contest PAC 2-4pm

25 Exemplification Sanctuary/HH

April

04 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
05 Knight's Mass
08 Membership Meeting - 7:00
15 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

15 Tax Day

29-04 Holy Week

5 Easter

18 Blue Coats Dinner (PAC)

17 Card Knights PAC 7-10

26 Exemplification Sanctuary/HH

August

02 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
03 Knight's Mass
06 Membership Meeting - 7:00
20 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

School Starts

10-15 Festival Final Prep

15-17 Seton Festival

17 Car Show

30 Seton Open

November

02 Knight's Mass
05 Business Meeting - 6:30
08 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
12 Membership Meeting - 7:00
19 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

04 Election Day

11 Veterans Day

28 Thanksgiving

14* Card Knights PAC 7-11

9 2nd Pancake Breakfast

23 Exemplification Sanctuary/HH

February

01 Knight's Mass
04 Business Meeting - 6:30
07 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
11 Membership Meeting - 7:00 PAC
25 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

14 Valentine's Day

16 President's Day

18 Ash Wednesday

08 5th Pancake Breakfast

8 Big Move

14 Work Party in PAC

20 1st Fish Fry

27 2nd Fish Fry

May

02 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
03 Knight's Mass
06 Business Meeting - 6:30
13 Membership Meeting - 7:00 PAC
20 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

10 Mother's Day

25 Memorial Day

16 Wives' Appreciation Dinner

September

03 Business Meeting - 6:30
06 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
07 Knight's Mass
10 Membership Meeting - 7:00
17 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

01 Labor Day

19 Card Knights PAC 7-11

December

03 Business Meeting - 6:30
06 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
07 Knight's Mass
10 Membership Meeting - 7:00
11 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

24 Christmas Eve

31 New Year's Eve

25 Christmas Day

**14 3rd Pancake Breakfast (Santa)
KCIC Poster Contest**

27-28 Consecration of Holy Family

March

01 Knight's Mass
04 Business Meeting - 6:30
07 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
11 Membership Meeting - 7:00
18 Assembly Meeting - 6:45
25 Business Meeting - 6:30

17 St Patrick's Day

06 3rd Fish Fry

13 4th Fish Fry

14 St. Patty's Party

20 5th Fish Fry

27 6th Fish Fry

28 Easter Egg Hunt

28 Work Party in PAC 8:00 AM

29 Palm Sunday

June

03 Business Meeting - 6:30
06 Knight's Mass
07 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
10 Membership Meeting - 7:00
17 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

14 Flag Day

14 Father's Day

19 Juneteenth

May 2026

02 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
03 Knight's Mass
06 Business Meeting - 6:30
13 Membership Meeting - 7:00 PAC
20 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

10 Mother's Day
25 Memorial Day

16 Wives' Appreciation Dinner

June 2026

03 Business Meeting - 6:30
06 Knight's Mass
07 Rosary EC - 8:00 AM
10 Membership Meeting - 7:00
17 Assembly Meeting - 6:45

14 Flag Day
14 Father's Day
19 Juneteenth

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