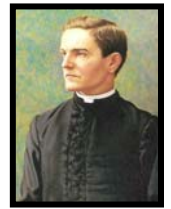




FATHER MICHAEL J. MC GIVNEY

FOURTH DEGREE ASSEMBLY #2226

SEPTEMBER 2011 NEWS



Website: home.catholicweb.com/frmichaeljmcgivneyassembly2226.

NEXT MEETING

SEPTEMBER 8, 2011

7:30PM

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Belmont

2011-2012 ASSEMBLY OFFICERS

Faithful Friar	Fr. Lou Stasker	616-458-3065
Faithful Friar	Fr. Bill Zink	616-677-3937
Faithful Navigator	Ted Hamilton	616-647-1116
Faithful Admiral	Bruce Majeske	231-834-5238
Faithful Captain	Duane Nelson	616-696-3074
Faithful Scribe	Dick Hurst	616-866-1884
Faithful Pilot	James Jean	616-874-9426
Faithful Purser	Joe Keller	616-691-8994
Faithful Comptroller	Zane Rice	616-696-2366
Faithful Sentinel	John Deuling	231-652-6123
Faithful Sentinel	Stan Dobek	616-884-0171
Faithful Trustee (3yr)	Joe Jernigan	616-696-0005
Faithful Trustee (2yr)	Scott Harvey	616-364-9086
Faithful Trustee (1Yr)	Carl Dunn	616-887-1140
Ladies Auxiliary	Cecelia Hamilton	616-647-1116

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IMPORTANT DATES

- Sept 3 District meeting @ Mt Pleasant.
- Sept 8 Assembly Meeting @ Belmont
- Oct 7-Oct 22 Parade of Homes
- Oct 13 Assembly Meeting @ Belmont
- Nov 5 Veterans Dinner

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Steve Lampe	9/03	Nate Brown	9/18
Scott Havery	9/04	Brent Beuschel	9/20
Jim Tower	9/06	Richard Lothschutz	9/23
Jim Jean	9/08	Brent Beuschel	9/20
Dick VanDyke	9/08	Doug Graves	9/28
Nicholas Miller	9/09	Paul Troutwine	9/28
Paul Crystler	9/10	Ed Maciejewski	9/30
Kevin McCormick	9/12		

FOURTH DEGREE ANNIVERSARYS

Joe Boutell	6 yrs	Council	13526
Bob Wylie	6 yrs	Council	7761
Doug Graves	6 yrs	Council	13391
Bill Harberts	19 yrs	Council	7761

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

John & Mary Nowak	09/18/1954	(57 yrs)
Jon & Chris Wright	09/18/1972	(39 yrs)
Paul & Peggy Crystler	09/01/1984	(27 yrs)
Brent & Erin Beuschel	09/12/2009	(2 yrs)
Dennis & Mary Ann Henderschot	09/05/1963	(48 yrs)

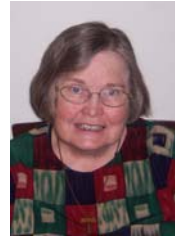
SPECIAL FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S REPORT



Due to health issues our Faithful Navigator will not be submitting a report this month. Ted is home recovering from a mild heart attack and is waiting surgery for stomach ulcers. Please keep him and Cecelia in your daily prayers. He welcomes emails and letters. :

Ted Hamilton
262 Timber Creek Circle NW
Comstock Park, MI 49321
Email: hamilton_kofc@yahoo.com

LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS



Dear Ladies;

For all who can attend the district meeting at Sacred Heart School in Mt Pleasant, Sept 3rd, please bring a slow cooker meal and the recipe. This will be our lunch following the district meeting. For the assembly meeting on Sept 8th, please bring a salad and dessert. This will be an open meeting with guests considering joining the 4th degree. The ladies will be working on baskets for the exemplification banquet. At the Oct 13th meeting we will finish the baskets. The exemplification will be Oct 22 in Big Rapids. See elsewhere in the newsletter for the time schedule and details.

Lady Cecelia Hamilton

VETERANS ANNUAL DINNER

November 5, a Saturday night is the date for this year's veteran's dinner. The location is the same as last year; Holy Trinity Catholic Church Family Center, 1200 Alpine Church Rd., Comstock Park. There will be a social gathering (6:00PM) and dinner at 7:00PM. Our keynote speaker will be retired Command Chief Master Sergeant Mark Brejcha and entertainment will be provided by the Thornapple Valley Dulcimer Society. The cost is being catered by a person from St Jude parish at a cost of \$15 per person. Residents from the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans will be our special guests. Assembly members are encouraged to bring a family member or friend who has served in the military as their own special guest. Plan to join us as we honor those who served!

*Ask a fellow
3rd Degree Knight
to join the 4th
Degree!!!*

VET'S HOME PICNIC

Members of Council 389 and our assembly took part in the annual Veterans Family Picnic at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans on July 31.



(l-r) Bob & Carlla Foster, Dave Motyka, Ted Hamilton, Joe Keller, kneeling Kevin VanWagner.

Cecilia Hamilton assisting veterans get around at the picnic.



FR MCGIVNEY ASSEMBLY 2226 PAST NAVIGATORS

1990 Bryan Flanagan
1992 Dick VanDyke
1994 Marvin Emory
1996 Robert Fischer (Deceased)
1998 DeWayne Black
2000 Nate Brown
2002 Mike Herdegen
2004 Bud Fulford
2005 Dick Hurst
2007 Ron Ripley
2009 Zane Rice

PARADE OF HOMES

This year's parade dates are Oct 7 through Oct 22. The home will be open for showing on Wednesdays (Oct 12 & 19), Fridays (Oct 7, 14, & 21), and Saturdays (Oct 8, 15 & 22). Each day will be divided into two shifts, 1-4pm and 4-8pm. SK Stan Dobek is this year's chairman and he will be going over the details at this month's meeting. Volunteers are needed to sit at the homes during the hours of the showings checking visitors tickets and selling tickets. Please give it your consideration. It is a fun project and a great fund raiser for our assembly

FALL EXEMPLIFICATION – OCTOBER 22

This year's fall exemplification will be held in Big Rapids at St Mary's Church. It will be a one day event beginning at 9:00AM and will conclude around 5:00pm. Following the banquet, Master David Gibson will host a hospitality gathering at the Holiday Inn in Big Rapids.

Saturday's Schedule – Mens Program

09:00AM-10:00AM	Candidate Registration
10:00AM-10:15AM	Exempt begins in Ante Chamber
10:30AM-12:30PM	Exemplification
12:30PM-12:45PM	Class Picture (Outside weather permitting)
12:45PM-12:55PM	Line up for Mass
01:00PM-02:00PM	Mass at St Mary
02:30PM- 03:00PM	Social Gathering /seating for banquet
03:00PM-03:15PM	Intro of Dignitaries & Invocation
03:15PM-04:15PM	Banquet
04:15PM-05:30PM	Toastmaster's Program
07:00PM-12:00AM	Hospitality Room –Holiday Inn

Saturday's Schedule – Ladies Program

09:00AM-10:00AM	Registration
10:00AM-12:30PM	Ladies Program
12:45PM-12:55PM	Seating for Mass
12:45PM-12:55PM	Dignitaries Ladies line up for Mass w/spouses
01:00PM-02:00PM	Mass at St Mary
02:30PM- 03:00PM	Social Gathering /seating for banquet
03:00PM-03:15PM	Intro of Dignitaries & Invocation
03:15PM-04:15PM	Banquet
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NOTE:

Candidate fee for the exemplification and banquet costs were not available at the time of the printing of this newsletter

YARD SALE REPORT

It was a warm and sunny the weekend of August 26th & 27th for this year's 4th degree yard sale. On Friday Nate Brown, DeWayne Black, Dick Hurst, and Dick Van Dyke set up the tents, tables, and set out the sale items. This year we have two new additional tents, making four tents in all under which the sale items are protected from the sun and inclement weather. The sale began at 8am on Saturday. It was a perfect day for a sale, with a steady stream of shoppers all day. There were 12 sir knights helping with the sale along with some of the wives and members from Council 7761. Tom Kinney of Council 7761 provided a lunch for the workers. There weren't as many "big ticket" items sold this year which resulted in a lower than expected sales income, but still the revenue raised exceeded \$500. Chairman Nate Brown thanks all those who helped and especially to those who donated items for the sale. Proceeds from the sale are used to support the activities of the assembly.

**PRIESTS, BROTHERS, NUNS.
THEY NEED US.
WE NEED THEM.**

Vocations Are Everybody's Business

ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES

Father Michael J. McGivney Assembly #2226

Date: Aug 11, 2011

Conference Room ABVM, Belmont, MI

Meeting Called to Order: 7:30 PM

Roll Call of Officers:

Friar	Fr. Bill Zink	A
Friar	Fr. Stasker	A
Navigator	Ted Hamilton	A
Admiral	Bruce Majeske	P
Captain	Duane Nelson	P
Pilot	James Jean	A
Comptroller	Zane Rice	P
Scribe	Dick Hurst	P
Purser	Joe Keller	P
Sentinel Inside	Stan Dobek	P
Sentinel Outside	John Deuling	P
Trustee 1 Yr	Joe Jernigan	P
Trustee 2 Yr	Scott Harvey	P
Trustee 3 Yr	Carl Dunn	P

Other Members Present: 5 Total Attendance 15

Minutes of the July 14 were approved.

Copies of the current financial statement were distributed.

Receipts for July - \$34.00

Disbursements for July - \$1,174.68

Current membership - 117 members

Received (4) applications for membership and (3) transfers

Color Corps Report- Commander Nate Brown

July 25 Attended funeral for Fr Joseph Pettit

Aug 3 Attended funeral for Fr Robert Gillespie

Coming up

8/28 - Mass for Cardinal Szoka in Muskegon

8/28 - Corporate Communion, St Joseph in Wright.

Assembly Business:

- Fall exemplification will be October 22 in Big Rapids. All activities will be at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Big Rapids. Candidate registration begins at 9:00 AM..
- The breakfast in the park was held on Aug 7,
- Assembly members worked with Council 389 at the Veterans Picnic on July 31 at the Veterans Home.
- SK Scott Harvey read a thank you letter from Rick Conklin, thanking the assembly for money donated to help him with his Boy Scout Eagle project.
- Assembly members approved donating \$100 to American Diabetes Walk to Stop Diabetes event to take place in Grand Rapids on October 8, 2011. The granddaughter of SK James Jean, Mackenzie, is taking part in the walk. She is this year's Ambassador of the walk.
- SK John Leale presented information on the Michigan Fall Warrior Memorial, a project to raise money to create a Soldier's Memorial to be built on the grounds of the Grand Valley National Guard armory in Wyoming Michigan. The assembly will look into this and determine how we can participate.

Council Activities

- Council 389 – Monthly rosary at the Vet's Home
- Council 4404 will be having a Corporate Communion
- Council 7761 – Council summer picnic
- Council 8564 – Operating a food booth at Kent County 4H Fair
- Council 11581 – First Degree in September

- Council 13526 – Hosting a chicken BBQ at their parish picnic
- Council 14206 – Food booth at the Grant Festival

Good of the Order:

Prayers for: SK John Nowak & Lady Mary, PFN Ron Ripley & Lady Deb, SK Bud Fulford & Lady Betty, FN Ted Hamilton & Lady Cecilia, Bishop Hurley, Fr Bill Zink, Eugene Mayer, the Don Serba family, all military members serving overseas.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:29pm

Attendance Drawing - Name drawn was Wilber Huston. He was not present. Next month's drawing will be worth \$30

Respectfully Submitted, Dick Hurst, Scribe

ASSEMBLY DATA AS OF JULY 2011

Current membership.....117 members

Councils Represented.....17 councils*

*Assembly members by council:

<u>Council</u>	<u>Assembly Members</u>
389.....	10
2084.....	3
2943.....	1
4404.....	3
7585.....	1
7761.....	21
7795.....	3
8117.....	18
8291.....	1
8425.....	6
8564.....	7
10992.....	4
11851.....	13
13391.....	3
13526.....	13
13641.....	5
14206.....	5

HOLY HUMOR

A priest waited in line to have his car filled with gas just before a long holiday weekend. The attendant worked quickly, but there were many cars ahead of him. Finally, the attendant motioned him toward a vacant pump.

"Reverend," said the young man, "I'm so sorry about the delay. It seems as if everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip." The priest chuckled, "I know what you mean. It's the same in my business."

PONDERISMS

Have you ever wondered why people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older?

Do you think they may be cramming for their final exam!