



Wappingers Assembly Dispatch

Wappingers Assy #0770
Wappingers Falls NY
2nd New York District
St. Issac Jogues Province

September/October, 2017

From the Faithful Navigator

Faithful Sir Knights,

Before we roll up our sleeves, let us remove our hats and say a prayer for Sir Knights Leo D. Lowney (who passed away on July 20, 2017) and Father Norbert DeAmato, OFM (who passed away on August 1, 2017 in Massachusetts). Leo was a member of our Assembly for 55 years; Father Norbert was a member of our Assembly for 61 years.

Let's start with the news that everyone has been talking about: Carl Anderson, the Supreme Knight, announced at the Supreme Convention (which was held in St. Louis, on August 1-3, 2017) that the Board of Directors unanimously voted to update the Fourth Degree uniform. This is not the first time that the uniform has been changed.

Beginning with the first Fourth Degree Exemplification in 1900, for the first 70 years that the Fourth Degree existed, Sir Knights wore black swallowtail jackets ("tails"), white waistcoat, and white bow tie. The photo to the left is from an Armistice Day parade, in 1925 (a).



Visit the links at the bottom of the page to see a photo from 1953 which showed the addition of a cape (b), and another photo from some later time in the 1950s showed the phasing in of the modern tuxedo, while some wore braids on the right shoulder (c). As recently as

1973, Sir Knights were wearing both styles (d).

For the past 60 years or so, a Sir Knight wore a black tuxedo, black cummerbund, black bow tie, white shirt, a baldric worn inside the jacket, and a lapel pin; Color Corps wore an additional cape, chapeau with ostrich plumes, and sword on a baldric worn outside the jacket with white gloves.



The new uniform is now dark grey slacks, navy blazer with the 4th Degree emblem embroidered on the chest pocket, 4th Degree tie, and beret embroidered with the 4th Degree emblem; Color Corps will continue to carry a sword and wear white gloves, with a patch on their beret indicating their rank. No cape. The old uniform can continue to be used through this fraternal year, ending

June 30, 2018.

The website <http://knightsgear.com> is presently the sole supplier of the new uniform. To encourage early adoption, knightsgear.com is

offering it at a 25% discount through September 30, 2017. Visit kofc.org (e) for more information.

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The Town of Wappingers Community Day will be Saturday, September 9, 2017. It will begin with the ever-popular parade, and we have been invited to march. It is a short parade, beginning at 169 Myers Corners Road, and ending at Schlathaus Park (at the corner of All Angels Hill Road). Line-up will begin at 12:00pm, and the parade will step off at 1:00pm. All council and assembly members and your families are welcome to march with us. You'll have a blast! Join us!

Patriot Day (A.K.A. "9-11") falls on a Monday this year. There will be a candlelight ceremony in Mesier Park, in the Village of Wappingers Falls, from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. It would be good to attend, and show respect for our neighbors who lost family and friends on that awful day. "Never forget."

Our officers who were elected to lead Wappingers Assembly #0770 will be installed on Wednesday, September 13, 2017, by District Master Alfred Ronda. St. John Paul II Assembly #2917 and St. Martin de Porres Assembly #2891 have been invited to be installed at the same time. Come on down! A buffet dinner, for a nominal cost of \$5 per person, will begin by 7:30pm. The Installation will begin at 8:00pm. Assembly Officers should wear tuxedos with social baldrics. Wives are welcomed. Please let me know (leave a message at 845-546-6371 or jimmorti@verizon.net) if you will join us for dinner.

As our children and we go back to school, and we find that our autumn wardrobes don't fit like they used to, please remember our clothing donation shed, which is placed in the rear parking lot. Donations are accepted to raise funds to support the Assembly's programs and to help us assist the Council. Please continue to donate useable clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, linens, pillow cases, blankets, curtains and stuffed animals to our bin. Donation receipts are available.

Our first official business meeting of the fraternal year will be on Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 8:00pm, in Msgr. Loughlin Memorial Hall (2660 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590). I look forward to seeing you there!

Please keep all of our members in your prayers, especially those who are sick or in distress.

St. Issac Jogues, pray for us.

SK Jim Mortillaro, Faithful Navigator

URLs for cited pictures:

- (a) Taylor, TX, November 11, 1925 (URL lost)
- (b) <http://www.stpatrickkent.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/4thKofCbeforeMassWeb.jpg>
- (c) http://stmarysfranklin.org/media/1/27/KofC000_1950s.JPG
- (d) <https://hannemanarchive.files.wordpress.com/2014/12/scan-141215-0024.jpg>
- (e) <http://kofc.org/en/news/releases/new-fourth-degree-uniform-faq.html>



Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs

Kenneth Latham, Jr., State Deputy of the New York State Council invites you to the 79th Annual Pilgrimage of the New York State Council Knights of Columbus to the Shrine of Our Lady of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville, NY. It will be held on Saturday, September 16, 2017.

Event Schedule:

10:30am-1:00pm Registration
2:00pm Benediction & Rosary
2:50pm Stations of the Cross
4:00pm Mass in the Coliseum

The principal celebrant will be Most Rev. Edward Scharfenberger, Bishop of Albany Diocese.

Tony Zibella, the Pilgrimage Coordinator, can be reached at 518-828-5082, tonyz316@verizon.net

There will be a barbeque, 12:00pm to 1:30pm, cost \$10 per person. Purchase tickets in advance. Call/email Joseph Cardone 518-883-3142, pjcardone@gmail.com

District Deputy, Peter Stafford, informs us that "Florentine Council will be hosting a bus from Holy Trinity Church, 775 Main Street, Poughkeepsie NY, departing at 9:00am, and returning after the 4:00pm Mass. [Back to Poughkeepsie about 8:00pm, editor] The cost for the bus will be \$25, plus \$10 if you reserve a picnic lunch (otherwise, bring your own lunch: there is no other food nearby). Contact Jim Foote at 845-594-3041, or email footetrumpet@gmail.com, if you are interested."

GPS: 136 Shrine Road, Fultonville, NY 12072
<http://www.auriesvilleshrine.com>



Statue of Christopher Columbus, at Newburgh waterfront, NY

Columbus Day Mass & Parade in New York City

Columbus Day will be Monday, October 9, 2017.

The Annual Columbus Day Mass will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral, in New York City. The Mass reflects on the millions of men, women, and children who came to America in pursuit of freedom and opportunity, and the faith that helped them endure hardship and adversity. The Mass will be celebrated at 9:30am on Monday, Columbus Day. Tickets are required to enter the Cathedral up until 9:15am, at which point it becomes general admission.

Timothy Cardinal Dolan has written to us, "Permit me to take a moment to draw your attention to the upcoming Columbus Day Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, sponsored by our Italian Apostolate. Please join us for the 40th Annual Columbus Day Mass and Parade, Monday October 9, 2017, 9:30am." The celebrant will be His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York.

To reserve your free tickets, please email columbusday@archny.org or call 646-794-2000

About the parade, ...

"The parade marches up Fifth Avenue from 47th to 72nd Street with red carpet performances on Fifth Avenue between 67th and 69th Streets.

"The parade celebrates the spirit of exploration and courage that inspired Christopher Columbus's 1492 expedition ... and the important contributions of Italian-Americans and other immigrants that followed..."

https://www.columbuscitizensfd.org/columbus-celebration/columbus_parade.html

As the holiday approaches, the District Master, Al Ronda, will communicate details on the Knights of Columbus's involvement (marching) in the parade. Stay tuned!



Flag Holidays and Recognitions

Saturday, September 02: V-J Day (official flag holiday).

While Japan's surrender was announced on August 15, 1945, it was signed on September 2, 1945, ending World War II.

Monday, September 04: Labor Day (official flag holiday)

Monday, September 11: Patriot Day (official flag holiday).

The US flag should be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sundown (not only until noon as is done on Memorial Day).

Saturday, September 16: Nat'l POW-MIA Day. "National POW/MIA Recognition Day is not a federal public holiday in the United States but it is a national observance.... The United States Congress passed a resolution authorizing National POW/MIA Recognition Day to be observed on July 18, 1979... and then from 1986 onwards the date moved to the third Friday of September. The United States president each year proclaims National POW/MIA Recognition Day." (source: <https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/pow-mia-recognition-day>)

Sunday, September 17: Constitution Day (official flag holiday)

Monday, October 09: Columbus Day (official flag holiday)

Wednesday, October 11: General Pulaski Memorial Day

General Pulaski joined the Revolution at the request of Benjamin Franklin, and ultimately saved the life of General George Washington.

Thursday, October 19: Feast of St. Issac Jogues

Friday, October 27: Navy Day (official flag holiday)

"... Navy Day was originally sponsored by the Navy League 1922. Navy Day is designed to give recognition to the naval service. The Navy League of New York proposed that the official observance be on 27 October in honor of President Theodore Roosevelt, who had been born on that day. For more info, visit <http://www.military.com/navy-birthday/the-two-navy-holidays.html>

Birthdays, September & October

- SK Michael J Catoggio
- SK Thomas A DiGregorio
- SK Ernest Knewitz
- SK Alfred A Lefebvre
- SK John F Osterndorf, Jr., PGK
- Sk Bruce Pisano, PGK
- SK George F Probolus
- SK Anthony D Quaid
- SK William K Still
- SK Louis Tokarz, Jr, PGK
- SK Lawrence W Tomes

Anniversaries

- SK Paul O'Connor, PFN and his wife Dianne, will celebrate **fifty years** of marriage in October
- SK William McCord and Laura, also in October

Sick Sir Knights

- SK Earl Brown
- SK Victor Fanuele
- SK Hugo Musto
- SK B. Frank Perrone, PFN

Rest in Peace

- SK Leo D. Lowney
- Rev. SK Norbert DeAmato

Wappingers Assembly #0770 Officers & Appointees 2017-2018

Faithful Friar	Reverend Daniel D'Alliessi	Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK Frank Vallaro
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Faithful Comptroller	SK Thomas W. Tompkins, PFN	Faithful Trustee, 1 Year	SK Edward J. Duffy, PFN
Faithful Purser	SK Pasquale Cardenia	Color Corps Commander	SK Louis DeFelice, PFN

"Religiously devoted, and patriotically proud." Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus are Catholic gentlemen who exemplify the virtue of patriotism. Wappingers Assembly #0770 was chartered on September 30, 1954. We hold business meetings on the second Wednesday of each month, at 2660 East Main Street, Wappingers Falls NY 12590.

We sponsor seminarians, contribute graduation awards to St. Mary's School, and serve an annual veterans' picnic at the local VA hospital. We maintain a memorial walkway in St. Mary's Cemetery, to honor our Assembly's deceased Sir Knights. Our Color Corps participates in parades and civic memorials, wakes, funerals, and masses. Our Color Corps participates in the annual Pro-Life Sunday masses at St. Patrick's Cathedral, we stood guard over Mother Theresa's relics, support military chaplains, and we do much more!

