



John Paul II Assembly 3017
Meeting Minutes
April 23, 2024

Meeting Called to Order: 6:30 PM

Presiding Officer: Faithful Navigator Carl Darkes

No. Members Present: 12

Opening Ceremony: Pledge

Officer Role Call: X = Present; A = Absent, E = Excused

<u>X</u> Faithful Navigator	<u>X</u> Faithful Comptroller	<u>A</u> Faithful Trustee (1 st yr)
<u>X</u> Faithful Captain	<u>X</u> Faithful Admiral	<u>X</u> Faithful Trustee (2 nd yr)
<u>X</u> Faithful Purser	<u>X</u> Faithful Pilot	<u>X</u> Faithful Trustee (3 rd yr)
<u>X</u> Faithful Scribe	<u>A</u> Faithful Inner Sentinel	
<u>A</u> Faithful Outer Sentinel	<u>A</u> Faithful Friar	

Faithful Friar Report: No Report

Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Motion made to accept/passed

Bills read and referred: 2 bills - \$200 uniform reimbursement to SK David Kempka; \$25.95 to SK Dennis Machuga for a name badge

Communications: Bi-Annual Meeting Minutes – Faithful Navigator will inform members via Robly

Faithful Comptroller Report: No Report

Faithful Purser Report: No payments made; deposit of \$798.72 (VFW donations + hats); current balance of \$5,880.98

Faithful Navigator Report:

- Next 4th Degree Exemplification – May 18 – Winston-Salem
 - Need 3 candidates to satisfy Star Assembly requirements
 - Deadline for forms and dues to FP Jean Dion is Monday, April 29th.
- Bi-Annual Meeting
 - Honor Guards Needed
 - 5/29 – Ordination of Bishop-Elect Martin – May 29th – St. Mark’s, Huntersville
 - 5/30 – Installation of Bishop-Elect Martin – St. Patrick’s, Charlotte
 - 10/30-31 – Eucharistic Congress – St. Peter’s, Charlotte
 - All Veterans’ activities and donations should be emailed for District recognition to Mitch Miller, millernc@triadrr.com, & Manny Comas, okole03@gmail.com
 - Kudos to SK Chuck Tierney for Golf Tourney article in the 4/23 edition of the *Kernersville News* paper.

Reports:

- **Trustees:** No Reports
- **Report of the 3rd Degree:** (SK David Kempka) New transfer in: Thomas Hoffman; reminder to sign up for Dash Games



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- **Veteran Affairs:** (SK Matthew Mahler) 95 Easter cards mailed; May 3-5: Tomb of the Unknown Soldier on display at VFW Hall

Unfinished/Old Business:

- Sign up for Dash Games
 - At least 6 volunteers for all games in April & May
- Reading of 2024 – 2025 Officers Nominations, by SK Matt Mahler (see page 3)

New Business:

- Donation to Golden Age Games – Salt Lake City, Utah - August
 - 10 veterans from VAMC in Salisbury are signed up to attend
 - \$500/person hotel room, \$350 airfare
 - deadline for donations May 15th

Other Business:

- SK Jean Dion suggests: in place of a memorial chalice, Assembly purchases 5 pyxes (to replace plastic-lined ones now used) engraved with names of deceased SKs.
- Snacks this month provided by FN Carl Darkes
 - Sign-up sheet on website; SK Jean Dion for May.

Upcoming Events:

• April

- 24 – Assembly Dash Game – 5:15 PM
- 25 – Columbiette Dash Game – 5:15 PM
- 26 – Council Dash Game – 5:15 PM

• May

- 7 – Council Dash Game – 9:15 AM
- 9 – Columbiette Dash Game – 5:15 PM
- 18 – 4th Degree Exemplification – Winston-Salem
- 18 – Pentecost Party – 5-7:30 – Pavilion (see church bulletin)
- 21 – Council Meeting – 6:30 PM
- 21 – Columbiette Dash Game – 5:15 PM
- 28 – Assembly Meeting – 6:30 PM

Good of the Order

- SK Charles Breeding read an excerpt from “Crossing the Threshold of Hope” by Pope John Paul II; the question: “Why so many religions?”

May Birthdays:

- 5/3 – David Kempka
- 5/14 – Bruce Baden
- 5/24 – Robert Swallick

Closing Ceremony: Honor the flag, the sword, the cross

Meeting Adjourned: 7:10 PM



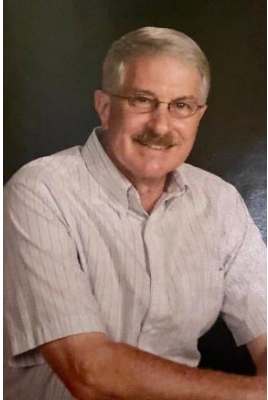
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2024 – 2025 Assembly Officers Nominations

Faithful Navigator	SK Carl Darkes
Faithful Friar	Fr Noah Carter S.T.L.
Faithful Captain	SK Chuck Tierney
Faithful Admiral	SK Pete Pulice
Faithful Scribe	SK Richard Wallace
Faithful Comptroller	SK Dennis Machuga
Faithful Purser	SK Jean Dion
Faithful Pilot	SK Al Livelsberger
Inner Sentinel	SK Bruce Wagner
Outer Sentinel	SK Charles Bilconish
Trustee (3 Year)	SK David Kempka
Trustee (2 Year)	SK Matt Mahler
Trustee (1 Year)	SK L.B. Clayton
<i>Color Guard Commander (Appointed)</i>	<i>SK Steve Salvitti</i>



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William Herbert "Herb" Pennington Obituary

William Herbert "Herb" Pennington, Jr., 75, of Kernersville, NC passed away peacefully Wednesday, May 15, 2024, after a long journey with Alzheimer's disease.

Born in Oak Ridge, TN, Herb was the son of the late William Herbert Pennington, Sr., and Betty Jane Throckmorton Pennington. In addition to his parents, Herb was preceded in death by his sister, Susan Pennington and brother, Stephen

Herb was born on Christmas Eve in 1948 and always made sure his birthday was not overshadowed by another famous birth around that time.

He served in the National Guard, most notably rescuing flood victims, was a long-time blood donor with the American Red Cross inspiring countless others to do the same and he organized golf tournaments and toy drives for charities. Herb knew there was power in numbers so he organized and trained volunteers for air shows, sporting events, and many other fundraising endeavors over the years.

Herb was a successful business owner for more than 30 years helping individuals and small business owners with their insurance needs. He took pride in his work, always going the extra mile for his clients, serving on the board of professional local, state, and national associations for most of his career, and lobbying for changes in the insurance industry.

Everyone who knew Herb, knew he was an avid skier. Those fortunate enough to have skied with him, have memories to last a lifetime.

Herb was raised in the church and attended many churches over the years, but it was not until he found Holy Cross that he found his home. He converted to Catholicism the night before he was married. He poured his heart and soul into the church and into his faith. Herb helped organize ushers, sacristans, Eucharistic ministers, he authored instructional manuals, and served on most every committee he could over the years. He was very active in the Knights of Columbus, serving as Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, Faithful Captain, Faithful Navigator, and Faithful Admiral to name a few. Former Pastor, Father Tom Fitzpatrick, once said, "If you ever see anyone in need, look beside them and you will find Herb." Herb eventually became the person in need. He was a breast cancer survivor, prostate cancer survivor, and his heart stop 5 times in one day resulting a pacemaker, all while Alzheimer's disease was present, but his faith in God never wavered. It only became stronger.

Survivors include his wife of 32 years, Carol Pennington; children, Matthew Pennington and wife, Barbara, Katharine Murdza and husband, Peter, Dawn Leifeste and husband, Brian, and Daniel Curia and wife, Lori; grandchildren, Megan Berry and husband, Peter, Jessica Snyder and husband, Sean, Jenna Curia, Clare Curia, Xander Pennington, Penelope Murdza, and Phoebe Murdza; great grandson, Samuel Snyder, and many nieces and nephews.