



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Michael The Archangel, Patron of Police
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The Knights' **FIRST-AND-ONLY** "Police Council" in the World!



FOUNDED MARCH 26, 1998

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR CURRENT
"POLICE COUNCIL" MEMBERSHIP CARD
WITH YOU TO WEDNESDAY'S MEETING!**

**TO BECOME A "THIRD-DEGREE" KNIGHT,
ARRIVE AT 5:30pm & BRING A \$15 CHECK!
- CEREMONIAL VIDEO AT 5:30pm -**

January, 2020 "POLICE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER"

from
Your Grand Knight, Dennis P. Fitzgerald

Greetings To All "Police Council" Brother-Knights!

Please accept my very best wishes for a happy, healthy, prosperous, and safe 2020 to you - and to all of your loved ones.

We have several important items to discuss this month

MEMBERS MEETING THIS COMING WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 6:30pm

Our January, 2020, "Police Council" Members Meeting will be held at 6:30pm on this coming Wednesday, January 22, at FOP Lodge 7 Hall, 1412 W. Washington Blvd. You may park for FREE in the lot behind the Chicago Patrolmens Federal Credit Union building (1407 W. Washington Blvd.) across the street from Lodge 7 Hall.

Please be sure to bring your current Membership Card, so it can be laminated.

If you have yet not paid your 2020 Member Dues, please bring a \$40 check with you, and a current Membership Card will be issued to you.

WE MADE HISTORY TOGETHER AT ST. FERDINAND'S ON SUNDAY - JANUARY 12th!

I must absolutely commend everyone who joined with us the afternoon of Sunday, January 12th, as we hosted the brand-new "Consolidated Degree Ceremony" now offered by the Knights of Columbus, world-wide.

As discussed before, this approved new format combines the previous First Degree and Second/Third Degree separate, lengthy ceremonies into one 45-minute live ceremonial process (it is just 26 minutes on the approved "Consolidated Ceremony Video" we will have available for viewing at 5:30pm prior to every monthly meeting), and - for the first time ever - candidates' family members are encouraged to observe the ceremony (it is no longer "secret!").

FIRST-IN-THE-WORLD!

I wish to stress the fact that Supreme Headquarters, in New Haven, Connecticut, chose Illinois to be the first state in the world to present the new, live, Ceremony and the Illinois Knights Chapter CHOSE OUR "POLICE COUNCIL" to kick-off the new procedure!

Thus, **our "Police Council" was the First-in-the-World**, and, therefore, **EVERYONE PRESENT ON JANUARY 12th MADE HISTORY TOGETHER!**

Many, many, thanks to our good friends, **District 12 District Deputy Anthony Mangiaracina** for arranging the location and refreshments, to **Illinois State Deputy Frank Schwartz** and **Illinois State Warden Joseph Moore** for both attending and for bringing-in their "top" Conferring Team, and to all the **3rd Degree "Police Council" candidates** (and their family and friends who were present to observe, support, and encourage) who received the Major Degree Exemplification that afternoon.

In addition, recognition is due our "Police Council" Membership Director, Deputy Grand Knight **Michael L. Bono**, who "put together" this entire historic event, and to Community Director (and "Blood Drive" head man) **Stephen M. Jaskolka**, to "Sunday Radio Show Host" **Arthur N. Andros**, and to our Knights Insurance Field Agent, **James E. Keefe** all of whom helped administer the event that day, start-to-finish!

ALL 3rd DEGREE "POLICE COUNCIL" KNIGHTS:

"4th DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION" SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 22, 2020 LISLE, IL

BRING YOUR \$70 CHECK TO WEDNESDAY'S MEETING!

If you are currently a 3rd Degree Knight in our "Police Council," please bring a check for \$70 (payable to: Knights of Columbus) and be sure to see Membership Director Michael L. Bono when you arrive at Wednesday evening's meeting. The very important date you should confirm now is **Saturday - February 22, 2020. Beginning at 11:00am that morning - at the Sheraton Lisle Hotel** - the Illinois Knights will conduct the 4th Degree Ceremony, with a sit-down dinner following. RESERVATIONS ARE LIMITED for this February 22nd event, so **get your \$70 reservation in on Wednesday evening!**

"22nd ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION BANQUET" SATURDAY - MARCH 14, 2020

Please make every effort to join with us this coming Wednesday evening, for we will have a great deal of updated, useful information for all Members present. This will include an update on our upcoming "22nd Anniversary Celebration Banquet," which will be held on **Saturday - March 14, 2020, at The Mayfield, 6072 S. Archer Ave., in Chicago**. Tickets are just **\$75/person**, and this will be your opportunity to support your "Police Council" in its most important fundraiser of the year! See the following flyers for information regarding dinner reservation tickets and advertising in our Ad Book.

OK, Brothers, we will have additional and detailed information at our Meeting, so I hope to see you all this coming Wednesday!

AND, OF COURSE

Please feel free to contact me at any time.

Your Opinion and Input are Important

Important to Me and Important to Our Council!

"May I have tomorrow all the things I gave thanks for yesterday..."

Vivat Jesus,

Dennis P. Fitzgerald, Your Grand Knight (773) 745-0803 (773) 934-8961

FOP Lodge 7 President

(and "Police Council" BROTHER SIR KNIGHT!)

KEVIN W. GRAHAM

Continues Fighting For Us!



THE RIGHT MAN FOR A TOUGH JOB!

Whether it is advocating, on a daily basis, for the dedicated Chicago Police Officers as they perform their assigned duties or properly representing the Law Enforcement Profession in the print and electronic media or conferring with President Donald J. Trump here in Chicago, and, in Washington DC or negotiating for a fair and judicious Chicago Police Contract with the City of Chicago **we definitely have the "Right Man" heading Lodge #7 of the Fraternal Order of Police here in Chicago!**

Following a recent local Saturday breakfast, "Police Council" Trustee and 4th Degree Brother Sir Knight Kevin W. Graham is shown above being congratulated by his fellow-Knights for continued outstanding performance in his position of President of Lodge 7 - Fraternal Order of Police (the single largest FOP contingent in the nation).

Pictured above, front row, from left: "Police Council" Deputy Grand Knight and Membership Director, Brother Sir Knight Michael L. Bono (former Enforcement Officer for Illinois Commerce Commission, and Cook County Sheriff's Police Deputy); Chicago Police Officer, FOP President Kevin W. Graham; Brother Knight Tadeusz "Ted" Palka (Inspector - Cook County Sheriff's Police, and Co-Founder of the Metropolitan Crime Commission; and, "Police Council" Grand Knight, Brother Sir Knight Dennis P. Fitzgerald (Retired 33-year Chicago Police Officer).

Back row, from left: Brother Knight Arthur N. Andros (Host: "Sunday Morning 1490AM Radio Show"); and, Brother Sir Knight Richard A. Wedgbury (Retired Commander - Chicago Police Department).

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ATTENTION:

ALL 3rd DEGREE "Police Council" Knights:

4th DEGREE CEREMONY ON FEBRUARY 22nd

4th Degree ("Patriotic Degree") Exemplification

\$70 For Candidates \$45/Dinner Guests
\$70 Includes Brunch, 4th Degree Ceremony, and Dinner

11:30am - Saturday - February 22, 2020

Sheraton Hotel/Lisle - 3000 Warrenville Rd., Lisle, IL

PROPER ATTIRE

A Candidate may wear *EITHER* ... A Black, Dark Blue, or Dark Grey Business with a Tie and White Shirt ... *OR* ... A Black Tuxedo, Black Bow Tie, Plain White Tuxedo Shirt, Black Socks, and Black Dress Shoes.

When you arrive at the Registration Desk (not later than 11:30am), be certain to present your (Third Degree) "Police Council Membership Card." Wear your "Police Council Star."

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→ FOR YOUR DINNER RESERVATIONS:

Brother Sir Knight Terry D. Cornell, Jr.

"Police Council" Treasurer, and Director of Special Events

(312) 909-1821

e-mail: TCornellJr@aol.com

→ FOR YOUR FULL-PAGE COLOR AD IN OUR AD BOOK:

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OUR 2020 DISTINGUISHED HONOREES

“Man of the Year”

BROTHER KNIGHT NICHOLAS SPOSATO 38th Ward Alderman – City of Chicago

“Humanitarians of the Year”

N.A.M.I. Directors and Chicago Police Academy Instructors

MARCIA M. SCHUMACHER

BROTHER SIR KNIGHT MICHAEL P. SCHUMACHER 18-TERM PAST GRAND KNIGHT

“Lifetime Achievement in Law Enforcement”

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ENCLOSED IS \$_____ FOR _____ MARCH 14th DINNER TICKETS (\$75/Person)

NAME _____

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CELL PHONE _____ e-MAIL ADDRESS _____

SPECIAL DINING or TABLE REQUEST _____

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