

Form 10325: The Method of Conducting Assembly Meetings

- ❖ Collect “Good of the Order” names

Opening Ceremonies



Faithful Navigator

Sir Knights, we are about to open this meeting in the Fourth Section. Let our faithful officers assume their respective stations and the faithful inner sentinel and outer sentinel take their posts. (*Pause.*) The Faithful Pilot will now advise if all present are in possession of the proper membership card.

- **Faithful Pilot:** Faithful Navigator, your order has been obeyed. I report none but faithful Knights present and all are in possession of the current membership cards.
- **Faithful Navigator:** Let the **Faithful Comptroller** call the roll of our faithful officers.



*Chair officers rise, although entire roll of officers is called, the **Faithful Pilot** responds “present” or “absent” as the case may be. If an officer is absent, the faithful navigator shall temporarily appoint another.)*

- Faithful Navigator – Tony Annarelli
- Faithful Friar – Father Henry Atem
- Faithful Captain – Robert Barnard
- Faithful Pilot – Frank Montelione
- Faithful Comptroller – Mark Winsor
- Faithful Admiral – Desmond Donlin
- Faithful Scribe – Jimmi Koroma
- Faithful Purser – James Brennan
- Faithful Inner Sentinel – Ken Dalton
- Faithful Outer Sentinel – Alan Larkins
- One Year Trustee – Paolo Palmas
- Two-Year Trustee – Charlie Busch
- Three-Year Trustee – Nelson Rivera
- Color Corps Commander – Terrence Gaines

- **Faithful Navigator:** Faithful Pilot, what is the principle of the fourth degree?
- **Faithful Pilot:** Patriotism.
- **Faithful Navigator:** Faithful Captain, what is our duty to our country?
- **Faithful Captain:** To respect and obey all lawful authority; to uphold and maintain those whose duty it is to administer the law; to defend, and preserve unspotted and unstained, the flag of our Country, and the principles for which it stands.
- **Faithful Navigator:** Faithful Admiral, what other duties have we as faithful Knights of our honored Order?
- **Faithful Admiral:** To maintain unity; to practice the virtues of charity and brotherly love; to exemplify, in all our relations with our fellow man, the sublime teachings of Holy Mother Church.
- **Faithful Navigator:** Sir Knights, before entering upon our deliberations, let us acknowledge our dependence upon Almighty God, and call upon our Faithful Friar to invoke His blessing by repeating aloud the Lord's Prayer.



*(The **Faithful Friar**, or in his absence the **Faithful Admiral** repeats and the assembly responds.*

- **Faithful Navigator:**



And so it is, Sir Knights. Fealty to Christ begets loyalty to our country and the faithful practice of our holy religion begets the good citizen and the patriot. Sir Knights, salute the flag.

*The **Faithful Pilot** holds the flag for salutation at his station; the **Faithful Admiral** takes position in front of his station and with the sword, salutes the flag.*

- **Faithful Navigator:** Sir Knights, let us now pledge allegiance to our flag



Business Section

- **Faithful Navigator:** I now declare this assembly regularly opened for the transaction of business.


Neither the opening nor closing ceremonies shall be interrupted by the entrance or exit of members. After the assembly is regularly opened, members shall be admitted in the same manner as to the

council chamber, except that the inner sentinel shall be shown both third and fourth degree membership cards.

This part only for late attendees:

♦ **Inner Sentinel:** Faithful navigator, the following faithful Knights with proper credentials await admission to our assembly (naming them).

♦ **Faithful Navigator:** Admit them.

- Report of Faithful Friar. (**Faithful Friar**)
- Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting. (**Faithful Scribe**)
- **Faithful Navigator:** Are there any corrections to the minutes? They are approved as read. 
- Reading of Bills and Communications.
 - Bills – **Faithful Comptroller**
 - Communications – **Faithful Navigator** or **Faithful Scribe**
- Report of Faithful Comptroller. (**Faithful Comptroller**)
- Report of Faithful Purser. (**Faithful Purser**)
- Marshal's Report. (**District Marshal**)
- Report of Committees, Projects, and Programs. (**Committee Chairmen** or **Faithful Captain**)
- Report of Color Corp Commander. (**Color Corp Commander**)
- Reading of applications after referral to the Admission Committee. (**Faithful Comptroller**)
- Balloting for Membership. (**Faithful Navigator**)
- Unfinished Business. (**Faithful Navigator**)
- Report of Trustees. (**Faithful Trustees**)
- New Business. (**Faithful Navigator**)
 - *When elections are in order, this is the first item under New Business.*
- Report of the Third Degree.
 - **Grand Knights** or representatives of the assembly's member councils may be called upon for a report of current membership and programming initiatives of their respective councils.
 - St. Lawrence
 - St. Oliver
 - Any others
- Good of the Order. (**Faithful Navigator**)

Closing ceremonies

- **Faithful Navigator:** Sir Knights, is there any further business to come before this assembly? If there be none, we shall proceed to close the meeting.



Faithful Pilot, what are the emblems of this degree?

- **Faithful Pilot:** The flag, the sword and the Cross.
- **Faithful Navigator:** Yes, Sir Knights, these glorious symbols typify patriotism, liberty and faith; the heaven-sent attributes of our Christian citizenship. Faithful Pilot, what say you for the flag?
- **Faithful Pilot:** The flag of OUR Country. We love it and shall ever defend it.
- **Faithful Navigator:** Faithful Admiral, what say you for the sword?
- **Faithful Admiral:** Let us keep it bright for Liberty's sake.
- **Faithful Navigator:** Faithful Captain, what say you for the Cross?
- **Faithful Capitan:** (*Holding Cross aloft.*) This is the Cross of Christ, the exponent of Christian ideals, the conqueror of death, the giver of life. Supreme reverence for this sacred symbol will crown our Country queen in the sisterhood of nations. It is the bulwark of national honor, the inspiration of patriotism, the guardian of personal worth; for it was crimsoned with the blood of self-sacrifice.
- **Faithful Navigator:** Sir Knights, undying allegiance to the Cross of Christ and to Christ's Vicar upon earth.



- (*The **Faithful Friar** or in his absence the **Faithful Admiral** repeats the "Our Father, "Hail Mary," and "Glory Be" with the assembly responding*)



- **Faithful Navigator:** I now declare this assembly duly closed until our next appointed meeting.

