



# Patriot Report

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## From the District Master

### Thankful

Thanksgiving was just a few days ago. How did you celebrate? Were you with family? Did you take time to give thanks for what you have? How about your struggles, did you thank the Lord for them and for him being there with you each and every step of the way?

I heard a show on Spirit Catholic Radio a few weeks ago that has stuck with me. The speaker asked what at the time seemed to be a very simple question: If you wake up tomorrow and you only have what you thanked the Lord for yesterday, what would you have? Now on the surface it is probably very easy to answer because most if not all of us say thank you to the Lord in our daily

prayers. But when was the last time you really took an inventory of all the things that you are thankful for? Have you specifically thanked the Lord for your job? For you home? For your car? For your family and friends? For your Parish? What else do each of us have to be thankful for?

I am sure that many of you have seen the social media challenges to say something you are thankful for each day in November until Thanksgiving. I challenge you as we begin the season of Advent to take an extra two or three minutes during your daily prayer to thank God for one specific gift or blessing in your life. After you have given thanks for that gift or blessing think about how you might use that gift or blessing to

invite a Knight and his family to join the fourth degree. We have the gifts of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. How can we package them and give them away to our Brothers in a way that will encourage them to take their final step and become 4th degree members?

May you truly count your blessings during this season of Advent and may your heart grow three sizes in order to more fully embrace Christ, the babe in a manger, humble and small, who loved us so much that he became man that we might be his brothers and sisters and share in life eternal.

Vivat Jesus

## Clarification on Pins, Jewels and Name Badges

As we continue to move toward the July 1, 2019 date for the conversion to the new uniform for Honor and Color guards there are a few reminders about what is appropriate to wear and not wear on the jacket.

The only lapel pin to be worn on the new uniform is the official 4th degree pin (PG113)

that may be purchased from Knights Gear.

Miniature jewels of past or former offices held may be worn at all times.

The current jewel of office, either Third or Fourth degree may be worn with the new uniform.

The official 4th Degree tie is the only tie to be worn with the

new uniform.

Name badges, either pocket or magnetic, are not to be worn with the new uniform at any time during Honor or Color guards or social events.

Social baldrics are not to be worn at any time with the new uniform.

Please refer to the [Color Corps Drill Manual](#) for more information.



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**Religiously Devoted, Patriotically Proud**

**Standing Firm in Support of the Order**

Knights of the Patriotic Degree are dedicated to the personal development and continued honor of brother Knights. We are always there to offer leadership, guidance, and encouragement.

**Proudly Serving the Country**

Knights of the Patriotic Degree glorify God by serving our communities and nations as though Christ were the one being served.

**Unwavering Support of the Faith**

Knights of the Patriotic Degree hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable, working to keep God in the civic arena, serving the life of the Church, and defending laws that recognize the sanctity of life and true religious liberty.

**Honoring the Legacy of Knighthood**

The Color Corps is an elective division of the Patriotic Degree that presents a visible reminder of our service to the community.

**Proposed Exemplification Dates and Host Assemblies**

Sunday March 3 or Sunday April 7— Assembly 2540 Fr. Michael J. McGivney—Omaha  
Sunday March 31—Assembly 596 Msgr. Joseph Bosheck—West Point  
Sunday June 2—Assembly 595 Bishop Kucera—Lincoln

These dates are tentative pending further confirmation.

If your assembly is interested in hosting an Exemplification please send an email to  
[nefourthdegree@gmail.com](mailto:nefourthdegree@gmail.com)  
or contact the District Master at 402-432-6748

**Forms and Due Dates**

Form Number	Assembly Forms	Due Date
#186	<a href="#">Report of Officers Chosen for the Term</a>	7/1
#1291	<a href="#">Fourth Degree Exemplification Report</a>	No Due Date
#1315	<a href="#">Annual Assembly Audit</a>	8/1
#1728A	<a href="#">Survey of Fraternal Activity Individual Members Worksheet</a>	No Due Date
#1728C	<a href="#">Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity</a>	1/31
#2321	<a href="#">Civic Award Application</a>	6/30
#2863A	<a href="#">RSVP Refund and Plaque Application for Assemblies</a>	6/30
#TBP-1	<a href="#">To Be A Patriot Award Entry Form</a>	5/31