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**Larry Simmons**

**December 2022**

## Faithful Navigators Message

Worthy Sirs,

The Knights of Columbus held a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification on Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> in Orlando, Fl. It was held at the beautiful Florida Hotel and Mall Facility.

It was a wonderful day. The day began with all the participants attending a Patriotic Rosary. The Rosary was followed by a private 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification, Mass and then the day was completed with a dinner and some wonderful presentations by some of our State Officials.

Assembly #3192 San Damiano had 4, now Sir Knights, in attendance.

Sir Knight Tim Raines from Holy Cross and his significant other Lisa Pollack attended. Sir Knights Donald Bourdon, Clemens Presogna and Chris Kress, from Our Lady of the Angels also attended. Myself and my wife, Linda, attended and were fortunate to have Linda's mother, Loretta, attend with us. Linda's father, Jerry, was a 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knight from Fort Wayne, IN, so I felt that the day had some extra special meaning to Loretta. The ladies attended a luncheon while the Sir Knights attended the exemplification.

It was truly an honor to attend this event and it enabled me to get better acquainted with some of my brothers. I can't wait to attend the next one!

Please try to attend our next Assembly meeting, which is scheduled for Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at OLA, and welcome these Worthy Sir Knights to our great Assembly.

Vivat Jesus

Faithful Navigator,

Mark O'Brien  
Assembly 3192  
San Damiano

**Member Bio**

**Sir Knight Larry Simmons**

Born and raised in Tennessee.

In 1966 while visiting relatives in New York I met the love of my life Sandy.

In 1967 I joined the air force where I was assigned as an electronic technician in the security service.

In 1971 I left the air force and went to New York to marry Sandy. There I got a job on the Long Island Railroad (which later was incorporated into the Metropolitan Transportation Police Department) as a Police Officer.

Sandy and I have 2 boys, 2 daughters-in-law, and 5 grandchildren. In 2000 I retired, and we moved to a good life in Florida.



#### PROGRAM POSITIONS

Bereavement Chairman  
David M Lawson

Color Corp Commander  
Larry Simmons

Honor Guard Chief Officer  
Robert Helner

Flag Retirnt Chairman  
unassigned

Membership/Exemplifications  
John T Colton III

Memorial Day Poppies  
Alfred A Connizzo

Newsletter  
Alfred A Connizzo

Patriotic Ball  
Jim H Thompson

Spiritual Advisor  
Deacon George T Harenchar

Tidewill We Honor Veterans  
John O Joly

Tribute to Hero's Parade  
John O Joly

VAVS  
John O Joly

Veterans Day Mass  
unassigned

Veterans Flag Placement  
unassigned

Wreaths Across America  
David Lawson

### Join us for a Cruise **DEADLINE EXTENDED**

Join us for a Beautiful Lunch cruise onboard Marina Jack's Seabreeze on Saturday February 4, 2023 12:00 to 2:00pm. Arrival time will be 11:15am and we will crise at 12:00. Enjoy the sights on beautiful Sarasota Bay and have a great lunch while listening to Fogg Sound 's DJ John Finnegan's excellent music. This event is open to all Brother Knights and their families and Friends. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

The Menu will be: Mixed Greens Salad with Dressings, Fresh Baked Rolls, Chef's Daily Catch, Chicken Marsala, Chef's Specialty Rice, Vegetable Medley, Chef's Daily Dessert Selections and Iced Tea and Coffee.

Note!! Your registering for this Cruise includes you being entered into a raffle. The raffle is for a dinner cruise for 2 on Marina Jack's Seabreeze the same ship we are sailing on.

Cost of Cruise \$47.00  
Includes lunch and raffle ticket

Checks can be dropped off at OLA office Attn: Mike Chapman or Matt Cangemi

OR bring your check to the next Assembly or Council meeting.

**ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE RAFFLE WILL GO TO THE FOOD BANK FOR DISASTER VICTIMS.**

Any questions contact:

Mike Chapman 585-509-0610

Matt Cangemi 646-588-9802

**DEADLINE EXTENDED ACT NOW WE ALMOST HAVE THE ENTIRE SHIP**



## 4th Degree Exemplification in Orlando Nov. 26th , 2022 Welcome our new Sir Knights



Pictured SK Tim Raines, Lisa Pollack & FN Mark Obrien



Pictured SK Clemens Presogna, FN Mark O'Brien, SK Donald Bourdon, SK Chris Kress



**Color Corps  
Commander**  
SK Larry Simmons

**Chief Officer of the  
Honor Guard**  
SK Robert Hellner

**Color Guard**  
SK Steven Anzalone  
SK Vinnie Cipriano  
SK Chris Treston  
SK Dan Quirk  
SK Eugene Dolecki  
SK Ernie Soller  
SK Jim Thompson  
SK Richard Barnett  
SK Carmine Maida  
SK Keith Mobley

## Official Fourth Degree Uniform



Uniform Package Includes  
Blazer/Coat  
Trousers  
Tie  
Beret with Badge  
\$449.00  
Place Orders Online or by Phone 833-562-4327  
[kofcuniform.com](http://kofcuniform.com)

## Color Corp Uniform



The Color Corp Uniform adds the Baldrick and 4th Degree Ceremonial Sword to the Basic Uniform. Our assembly is willing to assist anyone who wants to join the Color Corp with the cost of the 4th Degree Ceremonial sword. Please contact the Color Corp Commander for details



Knights of Columbus  
**FOURTH  
DEGREE**  
*Patriotic degree of the Order.*



## **.Patriotic Rosary**

Since September 9<sup>th</sup>, the Patriotic Rosary has been conducted in the Daily Chapel on Thursdays from 6pm to 6:45pm and will be held every Thursday including the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday prior to all Assembly Meetings.

For Sir Knights and Parishioners who haven't prayed the Patriotic Rosary, it is very uplifting and covers prayers for every branch of the government.

The Rosary includes Patriotic Songs such as America, The Battle Hymn of the Republic, The Star-Spangled Banner and God Bless America. Prayers are recited for every person in the USA.

Please join us every Thursday at 6pm in the Chapel to prayer the Patriotic Rosary.

Any questions should be emailed to Sam Bastianelli at [sbastianelli@knights.org](mailto:sbastianelli@knights.org) or call him at 714.469.7794.

What great way to start our Assembly Meeting, the Patriotic Branch of the Knights of Columbus!



December 2022



		<u>CALENDAR 2022-2023</u>			-
<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>
<u>DECEMBER 2022</u>	-				
8	Thursday	7:00PM	OLA	Assembly Business Meeting	Faithful Navigator - Mark
17	Saturday	10:00A M	Sarasota National Cemetery	Wreaths Across America	David Lawson
<u>JANUARY 2023</u>	-				
12 or 26	Friday	6:30 PM	SH1	Meeting Only/Renewal Of Vows	Faithful Navigator - Mark
		7:PM	SHH	Family Social put on by New Knights.	
<u>FEBRUARY 2023</u>	-	6:30	SH1		
8	Thursday	7:00PM	OLA	Assembly Business Meeting	Faithful Navigator - Mark
19	Saturday	5:30PM	Tara CC	Patriotic Ball	Jim Thompson
<u>MARCH 2023</u>	-				
8	Thursday	7:00PM	Holy Cross	Assembly Business Meeting	Faithful Navigator - Mark

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First Name	Last Name	Service Branch	Rank	Campaign (War)	Years
Chris	Avren	US Army		Vietnam	1960-1963
Richard	Barnett	US Army	CWO (CW3)		1965-1971 & 1975-1994
Sigmund	Bartoszek	US Marine Corps	MGySgt		1952-1982
Dennis	Beville	US Army		Korea - Vietnam Era	1967-1970
Jack	Byrnes	US Navy	Radarman 3/C	WWII - Atlantic Fleet	1945-1947
Matthew	Cangemi	US Navy Seabees		Vietnam	1965-1967
Donald	Castracani	US Army			1965-1971
Mike	Chapman	US Navy			1960-1964
Vinnie	Cipriano	US Navy		Vietnam	1966-1968
Rob	Colston	US Navy		Beirut, Lebanon	1981-1987
Lenny	DeRasmo	US Army Airborne		Vietnam	1967-1968
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Bill	Dirring	US Air Force		During Vietnam Era	1969-1989
Eugene A.	Dolecki	US Army		During Vietnam Era	1958-1960
Richard	Famulare	US Army	Spec 5th Class	Vietnam	1966-1968
John	Farah	US Navy			1973-1979
Ed	Fisher	US Marine Corps	Corporal		1957-1963
David W.	Fontaine	US Air Force		Start of Vietnam War	1961-1965
Warren D.	Glasow	US Army	Corporal	Korea	1948-1952
Francis (Fritz) RIP	Gregoire	US Army		Korea	1952-1954
Paul	Gulbrandsen	US Marine Corps	LtCol		1990-2017
Tom	Gwiazdowski	US Army			1980-2002
Tom	Harenchar	US Army		Vietnam	1969-1977
Donald	Johnson	USMC		Desert Storm	1980-1991
Lyle	Johnson	US Army			1961-1967
John	Joly	US Navy Infantry		Vietnam	1968-1970
Michael	Kelly	US Army Res			1960-1966
Kenneth	Koehler	US Army	1st LT	Vietnam	1968-1970
Bill	Kopcsak	US Army			1969-1973
Ron	Kosey	US Marine Corps	LCPL		1969-1971
Doug	Kremski	US Army	Specialist 5	Pre Vietnam	1960-1963
James	Lammens	US Navy Res		During Vietnam Era	1972-1977
Pedro	Lebron	US Air Force		Vietnam	1964-1968
Paul	Lento	US Navy Res			5 Years
Tom	Ludwig	US Army		Korea	1963-1966
Richard	Macklin	Army NG			1959-2001
George C	Martin	US Marine Corps	MSgt	Vietnam	1960-1980
Mascari	Mascari	US Air Force		Start of Vietnam	1961-1965
Dale	McCall	US Air Force			1961-1985
Charles	O'Neill	US Air Force			1986-1989
Gordie	Ormerod	US Navy			20 Years
Paul	Palmeri	US Marine Corps			1978-1983
Eddie	Pawson	US Army	Infantry, Sergeant	Vietnam	1969-1971
Carl	Perhac	US Army	Army Spec 4		1967-1969
George	Perseghin	US Air Force	Staff Sargent	Korea	
Steve	Platt	US Marine Corps			
Don	Plourde	US Army			1962-1964
David E.	Reichert	US Army	LtCol	Vietnam	1967-1968
Bill	Rempe	US Army		Vietnam	1971-1977
Thomas J.	Repp	US Army		Vietnam	1968-1970
Dennis F.	Richardson	US Navy			4 Years
Fabian	Robitaille	US Army			1962-1993
Thomas E.	Rokosz	US Army NG			1969-1983
Dave	Rondeau	US Army		During Vietnam Era	1967-1971
Larry	Simmons	US Air Force		During Vietnam Era	1967-1971
Vincent J.	Spanicciati	US Marine Corps	Corporal	Vietnam	1967-1968
Anton	Swihura	US Air Force	LtCol	Vietnam	1966-1986
Chris	Treston	US Navy		Vietnam	1959-1962
Greg	Unger	US Navy		Vietnam	1966-1970
Jack	Wagner	US Army			1970-1976
John	Weldon	US Army		Vietnam	196+A13:F64

*Thursday November 17th 2022*

*The Sheridan  
Honoring Our  
Veterans & Services Heroes*



On Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 10 Knights and 2 Knights Wives from San Damiano Assembly held another VAVS event at The Sheridan Assisted Living Facility in Lakewood Ranch to honor resident Veterans for Veterans Day, as well as show appreciation for their healthcare workers and caregivers. It was the 3<sup>rd</sup> event held at the Sheridan each with its own theme. There were 40-50 people in attendance. We decorated the room and provided flags for everyone to wave. We passed out bags containing a gift card, candy and patriotic items donated in part by Tidewell Hospice and the Knights of Columbus. 3 Tidewell Hospice Therapy Clowns were present and entertained everyone during the program. The program began with SK John Joly welcoming and introducing everyone followed by the presentation of the Colors by SK & CCC Larry Simmons & SK Carmine Maida.

All attendees made the Pledge of Allegiance and sang the Star Spangled Banner and God Bless America. Our own SK & DJ John Finnegan played patriotic big band music throughout the program. The Marine Corp Birthday was acknowledged in a handout explaining the history of the Marines and featured the oldest living female Marine as of 2021 at 107 years young. We then commenced with a Flag Retirement of the Sheridan's front lawn flag which was destroyed during the hurricane.





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Assembly #3192

# *Patriotic Ball*



## *Guest of Honor Colonel Richard Tatem*

*USAF / retired  
Distinguished Graduate  
of the US Air Force  
Academy*

**Sunday 19th February 2023**

**5:00 PM to 9:00 PM**

**TARA COUNTRY CLUB**

*NOTE: Seating is limited. Please make your reservation now.*

**\$55.00 PER PERSON**

**Entertainment & Dancing - Music by Fogg Sound**

**Purchase Tickets Online at**

**[www.purplepass.com/3192patrioticball](http://www.purplepass.com/3192patrioticball)**

*Some of Our Past Fund Recipients: VAVS, Wounded Warrior, Gary Sinise Fund, Turning Point, Haley and Bay Pines Veterans Hospitals, Sarasota National Cemetery Internment, Wreaths & Flags, Military Chaplain's Fund, Paws for Patriots, Fisher House.*