

St. Michael the Archangel Assembly 94

The Mast Head



FROM THE QUARTERDECK - A new look and a new name!

Welcome to the new edition of The Mast Head, the quarterly newsletter for Assembly 94. At the May assembly business meeting, four resolutions were read. As per business protocol, they were tabled so that they could be published out to the Assembly. At the June assembly business meeting, we held discussion on these resolutions and voted on them as no changes were made. Two of those resolutions were the primary reason to do this process; These were to re-establish the quorum numbers and to increase the amount we can spend as an assembly without needing to do this similar process of tabling and voting a month later as often. One resolution was included at this time as it is an update to our by-laws as a way to align our by-laws to our assembly practices and tradition.

The fourth and final resolution was to rename our assembly. Assembly 94 has officially been “Longmont Assembly 94” with Supreme Knights of Columbus for as long as records of the assembly name show. As Assembly 94 now includes Mead, and its membership draws from and serves Longmont, Mead, Frederick, Firestone, Niwot, Berthoud, and other communities outside of Longmont, we wanted to have an assembly name that reflected this. It was proposed that we change the name to “St. Michael the Archangel Assembly 94”. Discussion was held of other possible names, but it was unanimously accepted that we would choose St. Michael the Archangel as our saint.

These resolutions were passed unanimously and the work was done to correct our by-laws. As you are now reading this, we are “St Michael the Archangel Assembly 94”. The name change does go through a process for officially changing with Supreme, which we are in the process of.

Along with this new fraternal year, we have changed the newsletter format. Mostly this is just for ease of editing. We hope you like the new layout and continued newsletter.

If you review the Upcoming Assembly Events below, you will also see that we are holding our October business meeting at Guardian Angels in Mead. We hope to see everyone there. Our November meeting is being held on the 3rd Thursday of the month, November 21st, so as not to conflict with Thanksgiving. We are suspending our December business meeting until January due to the Christmas holiday and how busy the holiday season is for everyone.

Upcoming Assembly Events

- Sat Oct 12 - Ravioli Dinner & Silent Auction
- St. Francis of Assisi, Longmont
- Thurs Oct 24 7 p.m.- Assembly Business Meeting - Guardian Angels, Mead
- Sat Oct 26 - 4th Degree Exemplification - Windsor
- Thurs Nov 28 - Assembly Business Meeting
- St. John the Baptist, Longmont
- TBA (est 12/7) - Mead Christmas Parade
- Saturday Dec 14 - Longmont Christmas Parade

Assembly Officers & Contacts

[Bill Brooks - Faithful Navigator](#)

[Emery Stora - Faithful Captain](#)

[Fr. Alan Hartway CPPS - Faithful Friar](#)

[Dan Knievel - Faithful Comptroller](#)

[Tim Valentinsen - Faithful Purser](#)

[James Ralwins - Faithful Scribe](#)

[Curtis Weibel - Faithful Admiral](#)

[Jim Kaiser - Faithful Pilot](#)

[Rudy Susa - Faithful Inner Sentinel](#)

[Erv Olheiser- Faithful Outer Sentinel](#)

[James Ralwins - First Year Trustee](#)

[David Ornelas - Second Year Trustee](#)

[Shawn McPeek - 3rd Year Trustee](#)

Color Corps Events and Happenings

As you have noticed, we have really cut back on the events that our Color Corps participate in. The reason for this is two-fold. First is that over the last 2-3 years, we have really over-booked our color corps and this has caused some burn-out on the members of the color corps, especially as many past members of the color corps have not participated in years, leaving others to cover the many events. The second reason is due to the regalia/uniform switch over. As was published in our meeting minutes and in the previous newsletter, Supreme has announced that any usage of the classic regalia is not allowed starting on July 1, 2019. As of July 1st, we only have 4 active color corps members who have the new uniform. With this small number of available CC members, we have had to cut back to only a few events a year.

This should be a sad happening that we can't participate as often as we used to. While we can mourn the stoppage of the classic regalia, it is beyond time to move on. If we as an assembly, a degree, and an order, would like to continue to be the visible arm of the degree and serve our parishes, it is time for Sir Knights to step up and purchase the new uniform. After all, we are not

knights because of what we wear, we wear the uniform because we are knights. All it takes is to measure yourself and order the uniform at www.knightsgear.com. Current orders are being received within 1 to 2 weeks from the order being placed (one knight ordered on either Friday or Saturday and had it by Thursday of the next week, less than a week!)

If you cannot afford the new regalia at this time, the assembly has a regalia fund to help you. You do have to order the uniform first. Once the order is placed, email kofcassembly94@gmail.com with the subject "Regalia Fund." Include a copy of the email showing your purchase, your name, mailing address and membership number, and how much of the uniform cost you would like us to assist with, up to the entire cost. This will then be sent to the officers for a quick review, and then a check will be written to you for the amount requested. We ask that you pay back to the assembly as you are able to. If you can pay \$25 a month back, that is great. This will help the fund to continue to support future knights who need it.

Related to this, we do have swords with scabbards and service baldrics available for any knights who need them. These were donated to us by knights who did not need them anymore. Just email kofcassembly94@gmail.com and ask to have one, and they are yours to keep. If you don't want to pay the full price that [The English Company](#) charges, you can find swords and scabbards on ebay.

If you are a past color corps member who does not want to buy the new uniform, and do not intend to keep your sword, the assembly would be glad to take the sword, service baldric and gloves. As we are continuing to add new sir knights and they join the color corps, they can use the swords that are sitting unused. Please contact FN Bill Brooks to arrange donating them or come to an assembly meeting and donate them.

We look forward to you joining our color corps and keeping the tradition alive in our parishes and community.

Chalice and Paten Donation

One of the benefits of being an Assembly member is participating in the Chalice Fund. The Chalice Fund is a fund you can pay into annually each year. Most members only pay \$5, but you can always pay more if you choose.

When an assembly member passes away, the assembly will have a chalice and paten made and engraved with their name. This is then donated to a seminarian or new priest so that they can use it in masses and pray for the fallen knight's soul at every mass. This year a chalice was bought, engraved and donated to new priest, Fr. Julio Amezcua. GK SK Erv Olheiser, FN SK Bill Brooks and M PFN Shawn McPeck got to see his new parish home, Queen of Peace Parish in Aurora, and treat him to lunch while also donating the chalice and paten at the end of July.



Ravioli Dinner & Silent Auction - October 12, 2019

Our annual Ravioli Dinner & Silent Auction is just days away! There have been a few new updates to this, our biggest fundraiser for the assembly.

The biggest update is the menu. We have discussed each year about adding meatballs to the menu. This did increase ticket prices by \$1.00 but the added food and taste is more than worth it.

As has been announced, we moved the dinner from late April/early May to October due to facility availability at St. Francis of Assisi parish.

We look forward to you joining us for dinner. We have seatings at 4:30, 5:30, and 6:30 pm and tickets can be bought at the door as well as the ones you were sent for purchase and sale. We have lots of great items for the silent auction for you to bid on. Will you beat James Rawlins for the golf basket or Dan Knievel for the wine basket? How about bidding on the Drink Like a Knight basket?

Come join us and enjoy a great night of socializing, great food, and fun bidding.



Independence Day Picnic Social

This July we brought back the Independence Day Picnic Social after a two year hiatus. We had a great time with our families just enjoying each other's company and good food. The assembly provided the hot dogs and hamburgers, while guests provided side dishes and desserts. A great time was had by all. This is the easiest event for all assembly members to plan for as it happens every July 4th, so mark your calendars for next year and see you at the park!



Boulder County Fair Parade

On a bright sunny Saturday in August, the Assembly joined in the Boulder County Fair Parade around old town Longmont. Earlier in the morning FP Tim Valentinsen, SK Tim Groat, FC Emery Stora, FN Bill Brooks and SK Bud Bernadoni decorated the trailer with our banners, flags and bunting. PFN Shawn McPeck joined us before the parade to wave to the crowds and represent patriotism to our community.



The Assembly Needs Your Help!

The Assembly is in need of you and other members of the assembly to step up and help out. Some of these are in small ways. Maybe we need your help on a team or committee to help organize events. The color corps can use your help! Of over 70 assembly members, we only have about 12 members who consistently and continually help the assembly. We know some members are busy in their councils and parishes as well. Many members are not though. If you aren't doing something, here is an open invitation to help.

We do have some pressing needs for people to set up and help. All of these positions will come with training, assistance, and support to learn the role. These positions are:

Public Charity Event Committee Chairperson -

This chairperson will organize and coordinate an annual public charitable event. Over the last year or so, we have been working to establish a public event that is unique from what our councils do, and serves the community in some way. We have tried events for Special Olympics, which the KofC has been heavily involved with for decades, but interest never seemed to grow. We have discussed and formed the idea of visiting a local nursing home. We can play board or card games with the residents or just talk to the residents. We might be able to provide food, depending on nursing home rules. We need someone to help create and run this annual event.

Assembly Social Event Chairperson -

This chairperson will organize and coordinate our social events. We have two established social events at this time and one attempted event; Independence Day Picnic, Columbus Day Social, and Anderson Farms Social. We need someone who could help plan these events and make them successful.

Comptroller Assistant - The Comptroller Assistant will assist the Assembly Comptroller, Dan Kneivel in the conducting of business. This can include help in documenting transactions via receipts and vouchers, and filling out forms for submission to State and Supreme.

Newsletter Editor/Writer - The Newsletter Editor/Writer will be responsible for creating and maintaining content for this newsletter. Help for this role can always be solicited by the chairpersons who organize the events and have them write articles about their events. The FN is to be writing a quarterly article "From the Quarterdeck."