



**Cardinal Gibbons Assembly 783**  
**Newsletter**  
**May 2020**



**REFLECTIONS FROM AMERICAN FOOTBALL LEGEND**

**COACH DON SHULA**

The superior man blames himself. The inferior man blames others.

One thing I never want to be accused of is not working.

I don't know any other way to lead but by example.

*Brainy Quote*

<https://www.brainyquote.com/authors/don-shula-quotes>

**ASSEMBLY MEETINGS**

The Assembly meetings scheduled for May 2020 is canceled. The Assembly meeting scheduled for 21 June 2020 at 2:30 PM is tentative. This date may change depending on guidance from K of C Supreme and local directives.

**ASSEMBLY ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2020**

The following are the Assembly officer positions up for election:

Faithful Navigator	Faithful Captain	Faithful Admiral	Faithful Purser	Faithful Pilot
Faithful Scribe	Inner Sentinel	Outer Sentinel	Faithful Trustee (1)	Faithful Trustee (2)
Faithful Trustee (3)				

The current list of officers is on the Assembly website:

<https://cardinalgibbonsassembly783.weebly.com/officers.html>

Due to recent health concerns K of C Supreme issued guidance on conducting the election of Assembly officers for 2020. Assembly election of officers will be done electronically. The timeline is:

**Election Timeline**

1 May 2020      The Faithful Navigator (FN) Frank Pollak or his designated representative will contact the council membership requesting nominations for council officer positions and set a response deadline of 15 May 2020.

The membership contacts FN Frank Pollak or his designated representative with their nomination(s).

The membership may also submit nominations on the Assembly website at the following link:  
<https://cardinalgibbonsassembly783.weebly.com/assembly-election.html>

**Election Timeline**  
**Continued**

Nominations will be forwarded to FN Frank Pollak.

Faithful Scribe Chris Cooper will place the names of the nominees on the Assembly website.

FN Frank Pollak or his designated representative will contact each nominee to confirm their acceptance.

15 May 2020 Nominations will close at 11:59 pm local time.

FN Frank Pollak forwards the nominations and acceptances to Faithful Captain David Rosero and to Faithful Admiral Paul Tomacelli.

1 June 2020 Faithful Admiral Tomacelli or his designated representative will contact the membership with the list of nominees.

The list of nominees will also be posted on the Assembly website.

1 June 2020 Voting begins.

Ballots may be cast via email, mail, or online. Details will be sent out prior to the election.

In the event there is only one nomination for each officer position a vote by acclamation will be called.

10 June 2020 All ballots must be submitted no later than 11:59 PM.

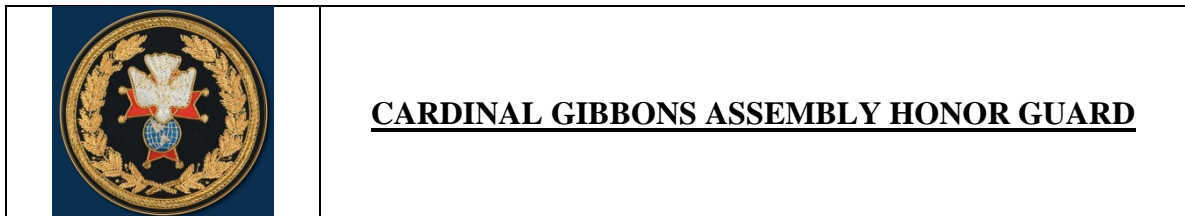
FN Frank Pollak receives the ballots and immediately forwards copies to the Faithful Captain Rosero and his committee.

14 June 2020 Faithful Captain Rosero and his committee tally the ballots and report the voting results to FN Frank Pollak.

15 June 2020 FN Frank Pollak or his designated representative announces the election results to the membership.

22 June 2020 Any member contesting the vote will contact FN Frank Pollak or his designated representative with their objections.

23 June 2020 FN Frank Pollak instructs Faithful Scribe Chris Cooper to formally record the newly elected Assembly officers in the minutes, unless there is a legitimate objection.



**4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE UNIFORM**

The 4<sup>TH</sup> Degree uniform and accessories are available to order at the following link:

<https://kofcuniform.com/CustomPage/OrderNow>

**UPCOMING HONOR GUARD EVENT(S):**

Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony 2020 CANCELED.

No Events Scheduled.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **May 2020**

May 3	State Convention Virtual Convention – 9:00 AM
May 15	Family of the Month Form Due
May 25	Tar Heel Knight Articles Due
May 29	Special Olympics

### **June 2020**

June 15	Family of the Month Form Due
June 25	Tar Heel Knight Articles Due
June 30	Columbian Award Application (SP7) Due

### **July 2020**

July 1	Report of Council Officers Due
July 10-12	DD Organizational Meeting
July 15	Family of the Month Form Due
July 25	Tar Heel Knight Articles Due

### **August 2020**

August 1	Service Program Personnel Report (#365) Due
August 15	Family of the Month Form Due
August 15	Semiannual Council Audit Report (#1295) Due
August 25	Tar Heel Knight Articles Due

## **DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS**

### **IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ!**

**3/14/2020 – Governor Roy Cooper has issued an executive order banning mass gatherings of 100 people or more. Before attending any of the Degree Ceremonies listed below, please contact the host council to be sure that the event will still be held.**

Further details for upcoming degree ceremonies are available on the K of C State Council Website:

Degree Exemplifications: <https://kofcnc.org/>

Fourth Degree Exemplifications: <https://kofcnc.org/4th-degree/4th-degree-exemplification/>

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Start Time</u></b>	<b><u>Council – Location</u></b>
23 April 2020	7:00 PM	Council 8684, Greensboro, NC
28 April 2020	7:00 PM	Council 11911, Asheville, NC
7 May 2020	7:00 PM	Council 13236, Greensboro, NC
12 May 2020	6:30 PM	Council 2829, Winston-Salem, NC
14 May 2020	7:30 PM	Council 10891, Asheboro, NC
14 May 2020	7:00 PM	Council 12654, Huntersville, NC
19 May 2020	6:30 PM	Council 12610, Mocksville, NC
20 May 2020	7:00 PM	Council 9249, Thomasville, NC
24 May 2020	1:00 PM	Council 9039, Shallotte, NC
3 June 2020	7:00 PM	Council 14767, High Point, NC
8 June 2020	6:30 PM	Council 7259, Newton Grove, NC

### **DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS (Continued)**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Start Time</u></b>	<b><u>Council – Location</u></b>
9 June 2020	6:30 PM	Council 9499, Clemmons, NC
9 June 2020	7:30 PM	Council 3498, Graham, NC
11 June 2020	7:00 PM	Council 11101, Greensboro, NC
13 June 2020	10:00 AM	Council 12537, Southport, NC
20 June 2020	9:00 AM	Council 6717, Gastonia, NC
20 June 2020	9:00 AM	Council 6700, Gastonia, NC
20 June 2020	10:30 AM	Council 6700, Gastonia, NC
23 June 2020	7:00 PM	Council 11911, Asheville, NC
8 July 2020	7:00 PM	Council 12481, Lexington, NC
18 August 2020	6:30 PM	Council 8509, Kernersville, NC

### **FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS**

There are no Fourth Degree Exemplifications scheduled at this time.

### **SAINT RADEGUND**

Faithful Scribe Christopher R. Cooper

The Dark Ages was a turbulent time in the history of Western Europe. It spanned from 476 A.D. to 1000 A.D. (Hamil, 1963) This time frame was marked with a breakdown of the central government after the fall of the Roman Empire. Frequent invasions of the Norse and Germanic barbarian tribes were an everyday part of life. The instability caused by these events led to a collapse of the economy. There were bright lights during these stormy times. One such bright light was Saint Radegund.

St. Radegund was born in 518 A.D. (Sencicle, 2005) Her birthplace was the kingdom of Thuringia which will become a province in present day Germany. Her father was the monarch of Thuringia, King Berthair. (Encyclopedia.com, 2020) King Berthair was a pagan. (Sencicle, 2005) She had a happy childhood until her homeland was invaded by the Franks.

When St. Radegund was a young girl the Franks invaded Thuringia. (Sencicle, 2005) King Chlotar I led the Frankish forces in this incursion into Thuringia territory. (Encyclopaedia Britannica, 2020) He took St. Radegund as prisoner in 531 A.D.

King Chlotar I was a person of questionable character at best. His ambitions to become king had no bounds. (Lauralee, 2018) King Chlotar I had his rival siblings murdered so he would eventually be made the Frankish monarch. Despite King Chlotar I professing to be a Christian he was a bigamist. (Encyclopedia.com, 2020) At the time of St. Radegund's capture he was married to four women; Guntheuca, Chunsina, Ingunde, and Aregunde. He had designs to make St. Radegund his fifth wife when she was old enough.

Despite King Chlotar I's brutish nature he made St. Radegund part of the Frankish court and she was treated well. He saw to her academic education. (Lauralee, 2018) St. Radegund learned Latin and she was able to converse in it fluently. (Encyclopedia.com, 2020) He also saw to her Catholic education which made her a very pious woman. (Lauralee, 2018) However, due to King Chlotar I's wanton personality St. Radegund made every effort to avoid him. (Encyclopedia.com, 2020)

Upon St. Radegund's eighteenth birthday she unwillingly entered into marriage with King Chlotar I. (Encyclopedia.com, 2020) The wedding took place in 540 A.D. in the town of Soissons in modern day France's Hauts-de-France region. (Lauralee, 2018) During their marriage King Chlotar I had numerous liaisons with other women. His promiscuity allowed St. Radegund to devote all her energy to aiding the poor and the sick. St. Radegund was mocked by the royal court. They dubbed her "the queen-nun" because of her pious nature and helping the less fortunate. The people praised St. Radegund by calling her the "servant of the poor".

St. Radegund decided to enter the religious life when her husband committed one too many heinous acts. (Lauralee, 2018) King Chlothar I murdered St. Radegund's brother. The year was 550 A.D. St. Radegund's brother was the last male heir of the Thuringia's royal family. King Chlothar I viewed him as a possible threat politically and militarily. The Bishop of Noyon, Medard vested her with the veil so she could officially become a nun. (Sencicle, 2005) Bishop Medard also bestowed upon her the office of deaconess. St. Radegund entered a religious community located in Poitiers, France. King Chlothar I did make one attempt to force her to return to Frankish court. The Bishop of Paris, Germain, convinced King Chlotar I to abandon his efforts and leave St. Radegund in peace.

St. Radegund spent the remainder of her life in Poitiers, France. (Lauralee, 2018) She was the founder of Sainte-Croix monastery. The monastery was founded in 560 A.D. The monastery is also known as Holy Cross at Poitiers. The Rules of Bishop Caesarius of Arles governed daily life in the monastery. After founding the monastery St. Radegund continued to minister to the poor and sick until her death on 13 August 587 A.D. (Encyclopaedia Britannica, 2020) The feast day for St. Radegund is 13 August.

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#### **IN MEMORIAM:**

Please keep in your prayers for the repose of the soul of:

All Deceased Knights of Columbus.

All Members of the U.S Armed Forces.

All First Responders.

#### **ARTICLES FROM THE ASSEMBLY MEMBERSHIP**

Any Sir Knight who wants to submit an article to the Newsletter, turn the article into Faithful Scribe Chris Cooper at the next Assembly meeting or send it via email to [COOP5614@yahoo.com](mailto:COOP5614@yahoo.com).