

Minutes of December 14th, 2017

Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 Meeting

The December Assembly Meeting was held at Mary Our Queen Kiernan Hall. Here is the schedule of future Assembly meetings:

St. Andrew.....January 11th
All Saints.....February 8th
Mary Our Queen.....March 8th

The rosary was recited before the meeting as usual. A very nice dinner/social preceded the meeting and the cooks were thanked. There were 25 total Sir Knights attending.

The meeting began quite early at 7:17 PM with the usual ceremonies. There were no first time attendees.

FN announced December wedding anniversaries for Rob Swanson (31), Joe Mitchell (44), Joe Thibadeau (50), Ted Davis (55) and Andy Diaz (57). Sir Knights with December birthdays are Ralph Stinson, Pat Casey Sr., Ray Grupinski, Noel Dore, Alex Dali, Msgr. Donald Kiernan, Doug Newlands, Jim Snoddy, Bill Luckert, Dave Riedinger, Gary Schantz, Michael Walsh, Jason Dew, Anthony Mancini, Bill Leach, and Benny Mastrogiovanni.

Gray Plunkett announced that he has been a Catholic for 20 years (applause). Bob Santos mentioned that the Mary Our Queen Council is 8 years old.

Handshakes among all brothers were exchanged. Merry Christmas was announced.

FN then called for a reading of the past minutes. A vote called for acceptance of the last minutes as transcribed.

A roll call of officers yielded these results:

Faithful Navigator-	Nick Mattera	
Faithful Captain –	Bob Mitchell	
Faithful Controller-	Rich Tomaszewski	
Faithful Admiral-	Stan Wasowski	(excused)
Faithful Purser-	Dave Lemcoe	
Faithful Pilot –	Jon Bird	
Faithful Scribe –	Lou Hlad	
Inner Sentinel-	Ray Grupinski	(excused)
Outer Sentinel	Gary Romanick	(excused)
1 Year Trustee –	Bob Webster	
2 Year Trustee –	Chuck Langgood	
3 Year Trustee –	Dave Mason	
Faithful Friar—	Fr. Dan Rogaczewski	(excused)

Faithful Navigator Report— Nick Mattera

FN mentioned that our Honor guard did us proud last month with two Veterans Day events, a confirmation, the dedication of Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Mission, Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Andrew.

FN had never seen the Guadalupe celebrations and he was very impressed. He turned his discussion to the new position of District #13 Deputy for Bill Camden. He is now positioned over 5 councils— St. Jude the Apostle, Holy Spirit, Mary Our Queen, St. Brigid, and St. Thomas Aquinas. We wish him well in his new important role.

Faithful Comptroller Report—Rich Tomaszewski

- 1) **Checking Account Balance:** As of December 1, 2017 the balance is \$16,265.29. \$5,854.29 is earmarked for Patriotic Events (Funds from the Golf Tournament). \$500 will be contributed to Wreaths Across America.
- 2) **Membership:** Currently, we have 200 members in our Assembly.
- 3) **Membership Dues 2018:** Dues for 2018 will remain at \$30. They are due the beginning of January. By now, you have received my e-mail outlining the payment options (Cash or check payable to K of C #2688). Thank you to the members that have sent me payment. If you can or would like to pay your dues tonight, we would be happy to accommodate you.
- 4) **Exemplification:** The next 4th Degree Exemplification is Saturday, February 17th at Holy Family Catholic Church at 3401 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta, GA. Currently, Dan Anderson is our candidate. If you have Brothers that wish to become Sir Knights, please get the paperwork and the \$80 fee to me by our next Assembly meeting in January.
- 5) **Fraternal Survey:** It is that time of year again where we can reflect and report on our contributions in the Assembly during 2017. I will send a detailed e-mail out next week asking each of you to take a few minutes and let me know the Assembly Activities that you participated in 2017. Please return to me by January 15, 2018

Faithful Purser Report— Dave Lemcoe



FATHER CHARLES J. WATTERS ASSEMBLY 2688

<u>BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 10/31/2017</u>		<u>\$ 16,453.92</u>		
<u>RECEIPTS</u>				
50/50	\$ 58.00			
EXEMPLIFICATION	\$ -			
BANK CHARGE	\$ -			
DUES				
FOOD/DRINK DONATIONS	\$ 119.00			
	SUB TOTAL RECIEPTS	\$ 177.00		
		\$ 16,630.92	<u>GOLF FUND</u>	
<u>EXPENSES</u>			NET INCOME	\$ 15,899.00
<u>BANK CHARGE</u>	\$ -		DONATIONS	
<u>BADGES</u>	\$ -		FISHER HOUSE	\$ (2,500.00)
MEET FOOD/BEV	\$ (50.00)		PHOENIX FOUNDAT	\$ (2,000.00)
CHALICE FUND			WREATHS ACROSS A	\$ (1,500.00)
REGALIA			ROSARY FOR VETS	\$ (250.00)
ATTENDANCE AWARD	\$ (20.00)		BATTLE CROSS	\$ (1,488.00)
CCC/ COMPTROLLER STIPE			BATLE CROSS PEDES	\$ (800.00)
EXEMPLIFICATION	\$ (267.33)		BATTLE CROSS MISC	\$ (244.72)
SUPPLIES	\$ (28.30)		BATTLE CROSS FR. R	\$ (100.00)
BATTLE CROSS			BATTLE CROSS SUPP	\$ (161.99)
	SUB TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (365.63)	T. BURLEIGH--LOURI	\$ (1,000.00)
BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 11.30.2017		<u>\$ 16,265.29</u>		
			TOTAL DONATIONS	<u>\$ (10,044.71)</u>
	OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS/(EXPENSES	BALANCE OF FUND 1	\$ 5,854.29	
	TOTAL OUTSTANDING CHECKS/DEPOSITS			
	CHECK BOOK ACCOUNT	<u>\$ 16,265.29</u>		

Faithful Scribe Report—Lou Hlad

- Sent out Monthly minutes of last meeting to all members.
- Sadly sent out deceased notices for Sir Knight Ed Trainor, Msgr. Donald Kiernan, and two family members of our Faithful Comptroller Rich Tomaszewski.
- Sent our prayer requests for Fred Dyer's grandson, Bob Klingensmith's wife, Abe Kassis' surgery, and B.J. Van Gundy's father.
- Sent out the instructions for registering on our revised web site to all members. Will be glad to do it again for anyone not receiving them. I encourage everyone to register on the Assembly web site.
- Sent out our congratulations to Mark McMullen, our past State Deputy, who has moved to New Haven, CT. to become a Executive Vice President of the Supreme Council in charge of membership and fraternal services.. He responded to me with gracious thanks. He is in charge of everything not insurance-related and is basically number two to Carl Anderson.

Ad Hoc Widows Committee—Lou Hlad

- One widow played Bingo for free this month.
- Sadly added Colleen Trainor to our widow email database.
- Worked with Assembly webmaster Anita Mitchell to update any changing data.

Membership Committee—Wulf Lindenau

We have one prospective Assembly member, Dan Anderson, of All Saints. He will enter on February 17 at Holy Family on Lower Roswell Road in Marietta.

It was mentioned by our Faithful Comptroller that we had no yet voted him into the Assembly. A vote was held on that formality was taken care of.

Web Site Report—Bob Mitchell

Only 20 people have registered for the web site which is 10%. Ten of the registered are officers. One trustee, Chuck Langgood, has not registered (laughter).

Bob encouraged everyone to register. Call Bob if only problems are encountered.

The web site is **KC2688.org**. Lou will send out the instructions again. Bob asked for photos from anyone who sends him photos.

Patriotic Committee—Jon Bird/Bob Santos

Jon mentioned that this is the weekend for wreathes being put on graves in Marietta by the Heritage Girls of St. Andrew. He wanted to make sure that our \$500 donation has been received by them in time. Apparently the check was put in their group mail box.

Bob Santos opined that he had spoken to an executive on that Peachtree Corners Veterans Committee and learned this information.

The new Memorial Garden Park will be part of the new Peachtree Corners Town Center which will include a City Hall, a Performing Arts Center, retail shops, and the memorial garden. The garden will cost 1/2 million dollars and will be financed in part by the sale of engraved paver bricks like Centennial Olympic Park. They hope to have it completed by next Veterans Day.

They would love to have an honor guard for the dedication. This would be a great opportunity for the Assembly to make a donation or purchase a brick. Smallest brick paver is \$250 and the largest is \$1,000. Santos will purchase a paver in honor of Mary Our Queen Council and their first Grand Knight, Lloyd Addison.

The park will include statues or remembrances for the Army, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard and a Minuteman memorial. There will be a great Grand Eagle statue on a globe in the center. American, Georgia, and Peachtree Corner City flags will be featured. Interactive displays will be run by computer apps. Four benches will be provided. The web site is ptcvets.net.

Color Corps Commander Report—Bob Mitchell

November was a very busy month for honor guards.

- Participated in November fourth degree exemplification.
- Participated in Boy Scout Flag Retirement Ceremony at All Saints.
- Participated in Veterans Day events at St. Andrew and All Saints.
- Participated in Confirmation at All Saints.
- Participated in church dedication at Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Mission.
- Feast of St. Andrew Honor Guard was cancelled.
- Participated in Our Lady of Guadalupe ceremony.

The last month only had 71 participants. Bob thanked the members.

Future Honor Guards

Jan 21st – All Saints annual Pro-Life 10:30 Mass

Feb. 17th—Fourth Degree Exemplification at Holy Family in Marietta.

Feb 24th—St. Andrew Spanish Mass with Bishop Ned Schlesinger

March 4th—St. Andrew Confirmation

April 28th—First Communion at All Saints

Use of the current regalia has been extended into mid 2019.

Bob Santos mentioned that he would give a pair of Falcons tickets and a pair of Gladiator Hockey tickets to the Sir Knight that participated in the most events through the end of year. Lou Hlad won the tickets for both sets of tickets with participation in 6 events.

Chalice Committee Report - (Ed Pierson)

Ed Pierson and Rich Tomaszewski had a very beneficial lunch with Fr. Bradley Starr. He is very busy at St. Patrick Parish. He is interested in a travel chalice and we can move forward since he is a priest. Because he had met our deceased Fr. Joseph Peek, it would be appropriate for Fr. Starr to be awarded a Fr. Peek travel chalice. It will not be awarded until January because of his busy schedule. Ed mentioned that it seems as if most chalice candidates seem to be more interested in travel chalices.

Ed had lunch also with Father John Klein who became a priest on December 16 in Rome. A chalice can not be presented to him until January at the earliest. He also wants a travel chalice. Ed and Rich visited the Legionnaires Home on Spalding Drive.

Ed was referred by Deacon Klein to Deacon Michael Metz who also needs a travel chalice because he will become a military chaplain. He will not be ordained until June 2018. We also have our RSVP candidate Jack Knight in line for a chalice next June. Metz also named Deacon Mike Bremer, and Deacon Carlos Ortega as needing chalices eventually.

We will need additional chalices because of the sad backlog we now have. If we present a solitary chalice for a priest, we now have potential names for five additional chalices. If these become travel chalices which only contain two names each, we will need more chalices. The cost for these chalices will extend into the next budget cycle.

- **Presented** to Fr. Ceballos, a **travel chalice** with the names:
Anthony Allan Kosek passed 12.25.2014 (All Saints)
Charles J. Robinson passed 12.30.2014 (St. Andrew)
- **Presented** to Father Roberto Suarez, a **chalice** on Nov. 3rd.
James Edward Lamb passed 3.5.2015 (St. Andrew)
Richard (Doc) Malone passed 6.12.2015 (All Saints)
Michael A. Nassr passed 10.31.2015 (St. Andrew)
- **Presented July 16th to Fr. Bryan Kuhr—Travel Chalice**
Dennis M. Crean passed 11.1.2015 (All Saints)
Thomas Templeton passed 5.1.2016 (All Saints)
- **Awaiting Future Chalices**

Fr. Joseph M. Peek passed	3.14.2016	(All Saints)	(solitary chalice for a priest)	#1
Guy E. Stryker passed	9.26.2016	(All Saints)	(travel chalice)	#2
William O'Shaughnessy	1.11.2017	(St. Brendan)		
Robert Heald	3.12.2017	(All Saints)	(travel chalice)	#3
Patrick J. Callahan	5.18.2017	(All Saints)		
PFN George P. Novac	5.31.2017	(All Saints)	(chalice)	#4
Michael J. Schultz	11.26.2017	(All Saints)		
Ed Trainor	12/23/2017	(All Saints)		
Msgr. Donald Kieman	1/9/2018	(All Saints)	(solitary chalice for a priest)	#5

Trustee Report - Dave Mason

No report

Social Committee Report—Nick Mattera

No events are planned. He had planned to hold it at Aldo's for \$18, but the owner would not budge. Carbonara was suggested, since the owner is an All Saints knight. There is no way he would do it even for \$30. Hlad has inquired.

Nick Mattera stated that in New Jersey the Assembly held an appreciation dinner for the priests and clergy of their councils. He opined that it might be a good idea to smooth out any problems that might be happening with the clergy. We could sell tickets and invite parishioners.

Unfinished Business—Bob Santos

His talk about the new Memorial Park in Peachtree Corners is detailed under the Patriotic Report. Bob made a motion to provide \$250 for the purchase of a brick paver for the park. The motion was passed unanimously.

New Business — Nick Mattera

FN passed around a paper that outlined all the committees that need volunteers to have brothers sign up.

He mentioned that funds would be needed for our charities. He asked if a Casino Night would be a possible way to raise funds. He asked everyone to think about it.

FN mentioned that he has been approached by the Phoenix Foundation for another donation. Bob Webster opined that this is a small group that sends all their donations to targeted groups. This will be the work of the charity committee being formed.

Bob Santos mentioned that the Georgia State Charity organization is soliciting donations for their wheel chairs, military chaplains funds, and many others. All donations are tax deductible if anyone is looking for such deductions. A letter will be received by all brothers. Consider.

Reports of the Third Degree

Mary Our Queen—Mike Belot

Mike apologized for missing the last meeting. He has a job and can not always come.

Most everything is focused at MOQ on the new church building.

Their Heritage Girls Group has requested \$2,500 from them for stations of the cross.

They are doing a Sunday breakfast. They usually do Santa, but the church does not like this none-religious representation.

Saint Andrew—Dennis Klein

- Their Feast of St. Andrew celebration was a huge success. Church was overflowing to hear Monsignor Lopez celebrate the feast.
- November 11th had the Veterans Day Mass with an honor guard.
- December 2nd was Breakfast with Santa. Terry Petrukovich played Santa.
- Thanksgiving food baskets were distributed to 63 needy families. A food drive to fill Christmas baskets is underway. They anticipate giving away 80 to 90 baskets.
- Their 1st degree exemplification scheduled for Dec. 9th was postponed because of the snow storm into January. They had a power outage, They expected five or six candidates.
- They have started a handyman team to do projects around the parish. Sir Knight Paul Johnson is leading the effort. They are called the Toolbox Brigade.
- The Our Lady of Guadalupe event was well attended and Dennis thanked all those who served in the honor guard.
- Dennis asked if someone could help build a wheelchair ramp at his home for his daughter with MS.

All Saints (Lou Hlad)

- All Saints started a second Council Roundtable at St. Joseph Maronite Parish in Sandy Springs. Three new members of that parish became 1st degree members on November 28th with two other Form 100's received. The new parish moved from downtown Atlanta into a prior Lutheran church property at Hammond and Glenridge.
- All Saints had one member become 4th degree on November 4th— Ky Phanhsavath.
- A Boy Scout Flag Retirement ceremony was held on November 5th. An honor guard was present.
- Sponsored our monthly Adoration in our Knights Chapel on November 3rd. Sir Knight John Gannon schedules the guardians in shifts throughout the entire night. Prayers are for the end of abortion. Many knights participate.
- Sir Knight Ray Grupinski was named our Knight of the Month for his Pumpkin Patch service.
- Our Pumpkin Patch had record sales of \$19,000 plus this year. The council keeps 1/3 of the sales with 2/3 going to a Navajo Indian in New Mexico reservation supplying the pumpkins.
- Sir Knight Ray Grupinski was named our Knight of the Month for his extraordinary Pumpkin Patch service.
- Sir Knight Al Garofalo was named to our second Lifetime Achievement Award by the council.
- Our monthly BINGO evening had 105 players on November 16th. We continue to enjoy strong attendance and we post coupons in the local *Dunwoody Crier* newspaper to attract the general public.
- Our annual Oktoberfest Family Picnic along the Chattahoochee was held Sunday October 15th.
- A Veterans Day Color Guard flag posting and honor guard Mass was held on November 11th.
- Our council sponsored a night at the Atlanta Homeless Shelter on Nov. 18th
- A Confirmation Mass was held at All Saints on November 18th with honor guard.
- All Saints Roundtable Parish Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Mission celebrated a formal Dedication Mass with Archbishop Gregory and Honor guard on Nov. 19th.
- Our Faithful Friar Emeritus, Monsignor Donald Kiernan, will celebrate his 93rd birthday on Dec. 28th.
- Both our Desserts with Santa and our All Saints Council Christmas Party were cancelled due to winter weather and power failures on December 9th.
- A Knight team will set up the parish outside nativity creche.
- Donated \$500 to the Doraville Interfaith Outreach Home. Five members painted their facility.
- Donated \$500 the Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Mission for parking lot striping.
- Donated \$1,000 to I Care Driving Ministry to elderly patient appointments.
- Sir Knight Bill Camden was named District Deputy for district 13, serving St. Brigid, Holy Spirit, Mary Our Queen, St. Jude the Apostle, and Our Lady of the Assumption.
- Lost our 67th brother, Sir Knight Mike Schultz. Acolyte teams served his funeral.
- We sent out a 26 page council newsletter.

Good of the Order

The running list has been carried from past meetings:

The Prayer List had several people on our list from last month. Dennis Caniglia, Andy Diaz, Linda Sperick, Wiley Maloof, Bill Campbell's wife Linda, Mike Smith's daughter Courtney Hertel, Jan Gahalni, Steve Smith, Janet Belinsky, Jessie Blair, George Petrukovich, Tom Stump, and Ron Collins' wife Jackie, Msgr. Kieman, Margaret Plunkett, Nancy Dill, Mike D'Errico, Lauren Echols, Jim Snoddy, John Barranco, Mary Jo Westbrook, Frank Farrell's wife Jean, Joy Fahey, Peter Leibowitz, Deborah Blair, Mary Cross, Gordon Stintz, Marty Dough, Danny Medina, Dennis Klein, Don Hauser, Adrian Toolan, Judy Klein, Randy Hines, Ted Throne, Olga Waltering, Kathy Harvey, and Mary McCallen. Tom D'Errico, Harvey Moskowitz, James Ambrose, Danny Ross, Orfeo Trombetta Sr., Stephen Powell, Carolyn Lively, Bill Camden, Julie Kassis, Larry Aston, Loren Echols, Bill Driscoll, Les Washington, George Swartz, Abe Kassis, Fr. Dan McCormick, John Petrukovich, Tom Hoover and Debra Webster.

Please keep these wonderful Brother Sir Knights and their family and friends in your prayers. Please pray for our countries new leaders that they will lead us in the direction that our Lord asks of us. Please pray for the men and women in the military that are fighting for our freedom and religious rights and for all the Christian refugees in the Mid-East.

Please pray for our Clergy.

Special prayer requests were also added for:

- We lost our former Assembly Brother Joel Gray who moved to Florida.
- We lost Sir Knight Mike Schultz to cancer.
- Emie Spencer's daughter Robin
- Bob Mitchell's sister Nancy Dill
- Lou Hlad asked prayers for his brother Frank Hlad and sister Therese.
- Gray Plunkett requested prayers for a priest in Togo who had passed.
- Walt Gauthier had successful hip surgery and Bob Santos asked recovery prayers.
- Bob Santos asked prayers for himself as he travels to Florida for disaster relief.
- Dennis Klein asked prayers for his daughter Debra taking a new MS wonder drug.
- Stan Wasowski asked prayer for cousin Dan French.

Split the Pot

Terry Petrukovich won \$50 in the split-the-pot raffle.

Attendance Award

Attendance Award won by Chuck Langgood. He was present.

Meeting End

The meeting ended at 8:37 PM.

SCHULTZ, Michael Joseph

Michael Joseph Schultz, loving husband, dedicated son, devoted father, and grandfather, passed away on Sunday, November 26th in his home in Dunwoody, GA. Mike was born in St. Louis, MO on September 21, 1950 to Edward William Schultz and Beatrice T. Muehlenbeck. He attended the University of Missouri-St. Louis, and was a member of the Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity. He



married the love of his life, Mary Pollak, on September 27, 1974, and from there went on to enjoy 43 wonderful years of life together. He spent most of his career in the paper industry (Georgia Pacific) where he brought his passion of distribution and logistical knowledge to his job and to all who worked along side him.

Mike lived life to the fullest. He loved attending sporting events, vacationing with his wife, and became an avid eBay trader after retirement. He was a dedicated knight for over 30 years with the Knights of Columbus, a former Cubmaster with the Boy Scouts of America, and an avid Atlanta Braves fan. His vibrant character and smiling moustache will be missed by the countless lives he touched along the way.

Mike, lovingly referred to as "Papa Schultz," is survived by his wife, Mary, his mother, Beatrice, his three children and seven grandchildren: Michael Joseph Schultz Jr. (Lisa), Oliver and Nicholas; Christopher John Schultz (Meagan), Owen, Ashlee, and Addison; Amy Elizabeth Flynn (Lane) Katie & Madeleine. His brother Edward William Schultz Jr. (Char); His two sister-in-laws Ann Pollak & Jayne Wilhelm (David) as well as his beloved nieces & nephews.

A funeral Mass to celebrate Mike's life will be held on Friday, December 1st at 10:30am at All Saints Catholic Church in Dunwoody, Georgia with a reception to immediately follow.

Major Award for Assembly

Civic Award

Recognizing

FATHER CHARLES J WATTERS

ASSEMBLY 2688

DUNWOODY, Georgia

For outstanding implementation
of patriotic programming
faithful to the principles of the
Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus



October 1, 2017
Date

Carl A. Anderson
Supreme Knight

Anthony J. ...
Supreme Master