

Minutes of February 11, 2015

Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 Meeting

The February Assembly Meeting was held at Mary Our Queen Kiernan Hall. It was held on Wednesday rather than Thursday due to the unavailability of the hall.

Here is the future schedule:

All Saints March 12th (St. Andrew Council is host), then again
All Saints.....April 9th, (All Saints is host), then to
Mary Our Queen....May 14th (Thurs) then back to All Saints

The pre-meeting rosary was recited at 6:25 PM.

The social dinner followed immediately afterward. The meeting started a bit early at 7:15 PM. There were 28 members present. No first time members or visitors noted.

The opening ceremonials, Pledge of Allegiance, and prayer were conducted. Singing of the Opening Ode was waived.

The minutes of the last meeting were waived, since they were posted to members electronically. Faithful Pilot Pierson noted an error regarding the priest recipient of our latest chalice. Error was acknowledged and the minutes accepted as modified.

The roll call of officers was conducted. All present, except as noted.

Faithful Navigator-	Stan Wasowski	
Faithful Captain-	Doc Malone	
Faithful Pilot-	Ed Pierson	
Faithful Comptroller-	Dave Mason	
Faithful Admiral-	Bob Webster	
Faithful Scribe-	Lou Hlad	
Faithful Purser-	Abe Kassis	
Faithful Commander-	Bob Mitchell	
Trustee 3 year term-	“ “	
Trustee 2 year term-	Ron Collins	
Trustee 1 year term-	Dennis Klein	(excused)
Inner Sentinel-	Terry Petrukovich	
Outer Sentinel-	James Knapp	
Faithful Friar-	Fr. Dan Rogaczewski	(excused)
Faithful Friar Emeritus -	Monsignor Donald Kiernan	(excused)

Faithful Navigator's Report

Because our FN Stan Wasowski was excused from the last meeting, he stated that his report would be brief (laughter). He then thanked the Faithful Captain, Doc Malone, for subbing for him and doing a wonderful job (applause).

FN thanked Mary Our Queen for hosting the meeting and for the fine dinner.

FN noted that Catholics should attend Reconciliation during Lent. He noted that during one of our previous Knight retreats at Simpsonwood, all Knight attendees had Reconciliation with our council brother, Father Dan Ketter. A discussion commenced on whether the Assembly could hold our own this Lent or piggyback on any of our parishes would hold. The second option proved more practical and popular. It was noted that All Saints will hold a Knight retreat at St. Ignatius Retreat House on June 27/28 and all brothers are invited and encouraged to attend. It will feature Reconciliation.

Faithful Friar's Report

Our Faithful Friar was excused and there was no report from him.

Faithful Scribe Lou Hlad rose to give a report on the condition of our Faithful Friar Emeritus, Monsignor Kiernan, who is in the hospital. Hlad and wife Marty had visited Monsignor in North Fulton Hospital just days before and reported that he was convalescing after a serious operation for an intestinal blockage. His stomach had been cut open and he was looking weak in bed and had oxygen tubes in his nose. His voice was weak, but the nurses stated that his vital signs were quite good for a 90-year-old man. He faced several more days in the hospital and was expected to make a good recovery. Prayers requested.

Faithful Comptroller's Report (Dave Mason)

Membership is 173. Gene Gannon transferred in and Fr. Bill Hao transferred out. We had one death, Charlie Robinson of St. Andrew.

Our annual survey was completed by 38% of the members. Hoping for a better percentage next year. There seemed to be some confusion between the survey for the Council as opposed to the Assembly. There is overlap.

About 2/3 of the members have paid their dues. That is way better than last year, but the last 1/3 is always the hardest.

Two Fourth Degree Exemplification scheduled:

May 2 at St. Joseph Church, Macon, GA

June 20 at St. Monica Church, Duluth, GA

If you have a candidate ready for the Fourth Degree, get him signed up. We will need paperwork signed off and payment of fees. District is requesting all at least 3 weeks before Exemplification Date.

Next Bingo will be held Thursday February 26th at 7:30 PM in All Saints Social Hall. Please try to attend, since some profits from these events come back to the Assembly. Jim Knapp and Abe Kassis are tasked with spreading the word to their Councils.

Faithful Purser Report (Abe Kassis)

- Deposited \$2,660 this month (mostly dues and 50-50 raffle) and spent \$624 (mostly honor guard).
- The assembly has \$7,372 in its checking account currently.

Faithful Scribe Report on Communications (Lou Hlad)

- No communications this month.

Report of Committees

Ad Hoc Widows Committee (Lou Hlad)

At the previous Assembly meeting, it had been discussed that neither the Assembly nor our Councils do much for widows as Fr. McGivney wished. It was asked that we take this concern back to the councils for more discussion and action.

All Saints took this to heart and decided to form a Widows Committee to bring our widows back into participation with the brothers. When a brother died, the widow was often forgotten and/or neglected. All Saints has 50 deceased brothers and over 40 of their widows are still alive and live in the immediate area.

The first step was to locate the over 40 widows to build a spreadsheet of their current addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses. All Saints located 36 widows and many of their family members. This was an intense phone and internet search effort. Some had left the area and one died. Not all use email.

With the spreadsheet in hand, attention turned to the coming fish fries. Each widow was mailed a free ID card to attend our 8 fish fries free of charge with a letter welcoming them back to active council participation.

The newly-discovered information will be used to send them newsletters and all other communications sent to the brothers about upcoming events. They and all relatives will be welcomed to our October deceased brother Memorial Mass as honored guests. They will be encouraged to attend other family events like Oktoberfest, Christmas parties, dinners, Desserts with Santa, etc. We have offered to help them at home with unforeseen chores. We hope that other councils use this as a template for further interaction with their own widows.

Social Committee Report (Chuck Langgood)

Chuck met with a representative of the Fr. O'Callahan Assembly to get a feel for the number of Vietnam vets to be honored. There is some fear that St. Brigid's Corbett Hall may not be big enough necessitating two separate dinners. It is hoped this does not occur. Apparently St. Brigid assumed it would be open to all parish members, not only Knight vets. They are inviting all. The only date available for the dinner is May 16th at Corbett Hall. This must be worked out and the committees will be meeting soon to finalize plans.

Chalice Committee Report (Ed Pierson)

No new changes.

Membership Committee Report (Bill Camden)

Bill Camden amazed the brothers by report that he had signed up

3 for 1st degree

3 for 2nd degree

9 for 3rd degree

25 for 4th degree all going to St. Monica, passing up Macon.

Patriotic Committee Report (Jon Bird)

Jon Bird announced that *The Vietnam Moving Wall* will be on display at the Walk of Heroes Memorial on May 6-12, 2015. [See the flyer at the back of this report.](#) The moving wall is a copy of the Vietnam memorial wall in Washington DC. It honors the 40th anniversary of the ending of that war. Parking and admission are free. The wall will be in our area just days before our own Vietnam Veteran Dinner at St. Brigid on May 16th. How appropriate.

Trustee Report (Dennis Klein)

No report.

Bingo Report (Lou Hlad)

Hlad reported that the monthly Bingo at All Saints is steady with the number of players about or above 100. The net profit per month can be as high as \$1,000 depending upon the number of players.

January Bingo run by the Assembly netted \$800 The next Bingo is on February 26th. **We need more Assembly members to be certified before they are allowed to manage the event and deal with gaming money.**

To obtain the procedure for *Bingo Gaming Certification*, please email louhlad@comcast.net and request the email forwarded that contains the relevant links.

Unfinished Business

Bob Santos, Director of Columbian Charities, noted that there was a state charity fund raiser on Saturday January 24th at Gwinnett Gladiators Hockey Game at Gwinnett Center in Duluth. .

Address label were sent out to 107 councils asking for a donation. We ask a prayerful donation to this cause when using the labels.

State Charity raffle tickets are also distributed. Checks go to the KofC Charities of Georgia. Also need the report form sent.

State Black Tie Charity Gala is on April 18th at Eagles Landing Country Club in Stockbridge Georgia, There is a golf tournament followed by a cocktail reception and silent auction at 6 PM. Dinner and the program starts at 7 PM. Theme is an evening of caring and sharing to support military heroes and Special Olympics. Guest speakers are Former Ambassador to the U.N., Andrew Young, and also Father Aiden Logan, Vocations Director of the Worldwide Archdiocese for the Military Services. The Stockbridge High ROTC Drill Team will also perform. Tickets are \$100/person and \$1,000 for a table of 10. Dress is formal, black tie optional.

Several new programs will be introduced.

New Business

FN advised that All Saints will hold the second in their series of musical concerts with a Rock 'n Roll Band called NoZtalgia at their gym on March 21st. Proceeds go to the MP3 player fund for Frontline Faith. This is a result of previous Assembly discussions that we need to support that program.

[See flyer at the rear of this report.](#)

Color Corps Commander Report (Bob Mitchell)

Bob Mitchell reported that after a long lull, the number of honor guard events is quickly ramping up. It was difficult to hear all he reported because of his distance from the microphone, but these events were relayed.

- Annual Martin Luther King Memorial down at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. KofC always participates along with the Knights of Peter Claver.
- Pro-Life Mass Honor Guard at All Saints on Sunday January 18th at All Saints 10:30 Mass. Commemorated the Rowe v Wade decision allowing abortion near the Jan 22nd anniversary of that event.
- St. Andrew had a Confirmation on Sunday the 25th of January at the 12:45 PM Mass.
- Deacon Harvey had his first Mass at St. Andrew.
- There was an event at St. Benedict.
- Doc Malone participated in an event in Florida for his niece who was being confirmed (applause).
- Future events include two St. Patrick events at the Cathedral and two Confirmations simultaneously at All Saints and St. Andrew on April 25th. St. Anne Council will have a Woman of the Year function and Sir Knight John Lewis has a relative being honored and would like our participation.

Color Corps Commander Bob Mitchell may be contacted for all questions regarding honor guard participation or regalia availability at: Home phone 770-804-8060

Cell phone 770-310-1760

bobmitchellga@yahoo.com

Reports of the Third Degree

All Saints—Lou Hlad

On Jan 8th, we hosted the Assembly meeting at McGivney Hall.

On Jan 18th, we held our yearly Pro-Life Mass near the anniversary of Roe v Wade with honor guard. Thanks to all who participated.

On January 22nd we hosted the Parish Bingo Event with 97 players.

On January 25th we hosted the Knights annual Free throw tournament in our gym. The turnout was the best we have ever experienced. Winners go on to our district tournament on Feb 22nd.

On Jan 27th we exemplified four new knights, two for All Saints and two for the Georgia Tech Council. Stan Wasowski stepped down as District Deputy for the four District 7 councils (including All Saints and Georgia Tech). The new DD is Kyle Simonis, the Past Grand Knight of Georgia Tech. All Saints continues our close symbiotic relationship with Georgia Tech 14496.

On January 21st, three of our brothers progressed to the second degree at St. Benedict.

On January 24th, eleven of our brothers progressed to the third degree at St. Monica.

In late January, our brother Christopher Carr, the Commissioner for Economic Development for Georgia, stood side by side with Governor Deal to announce that Mercedes is moving its U.S. headquarters from New Jersey to Dunwoody temporarily and then to Sandy Springs

We continue to sponsor our parish monthly movie night for kids. The last movie was “The Polar Express” on January 27th.

We continue collecting spare change for the Monastery through our “Pennies for Heaven” collection box at our monthly meetings. Our last gift to the monastery was \$165.

We donated \$1,500 to our parish Jamaica Mission.

We donated \$1,500 to our Sir Knight Gray Plunkett’s missionary trip to Benin, Africa.

We donated \$750 to purchase a crypt for stillborn babies at Arlington Cemetery.

Taking encouragement from our Assembly meeting discussions, All Saints has begun an outreach to our 40 surviving local council widows and sent them all a letter giving them free passes to our fish fries and later other council events. We have investigated their whereabouts to ensure that they and their relatives participate in our October Memorial Masses of our deceased knights, and asking if they require any services from our members. They will now receive our newsletters and information of our events.

We lost our 50th brother in January with the death of William D. O’Connor. Our acolyte team served at his funeral and all other monthly parish funerals.

Our Doc Malone was voted 2014 Knight of the Year.

Mary Our Queen—(Jim Knapp)

- Held its monthly pancake, sausage, egg breakfast after the 8:30 AM Mass on Sunday Jan. 18th. Had an average attendance. The same will be occurring this coming Sunday with lighter attendance expected because Monday is a holiday and kids are out of school.
- At next week's council meeting, ideas will be discussed for a March Membership Drive.
- Preparing for Vidalia Onion Drive.

St. Andrew— (Chuck Langgood)

- Held first degree on January 31st. Partnered with St. Brigid for a 2nd degree.
- Participating in the baby bottle program for pro-life collections at the Pregnancy Life Center.
- Deacon John Harvey had his first Mass and the council set up the reception. An honor guard was provided and well received by the parish.
- Held a meeting with the pastor to work out the fish fry logistics in the limited space necessitated by the parish construction. Fish Frys will end at 7:30 PM so that stations of the cross can take place.
- St. Andrew Squire Circle is very crucial to these work details.
- Members are busy with church renovations which will mean that future Assembly meetings must move to All Saints for 6-8 months. The family center will be the temporary church.
- Brother Jim Lamb is getting very weak with cancer. He has been moved to hospice. Prayers needed.

Good of the Order

FN took intentions from the floor and a group prayer was said. Charlie Robinson and Jim Lamb were especially remembered.

Split-the-Pot Award

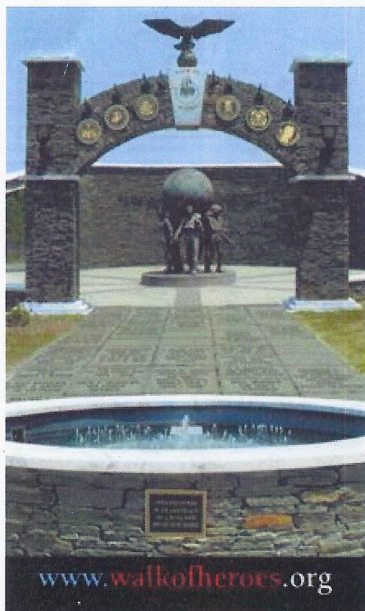
Chuck Langgood was selected. He won \$55.

Attendance Award

Lou Hlad of All Saints was chosen. He was in attendance.

Closing Ode

A chorus of "America the Beautiful" was sung. Meeting closed at 8:20 PM.



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The Vietnam Moving Wall

On Display at the Walk of Heroes Memorial

May 6-12, 2015



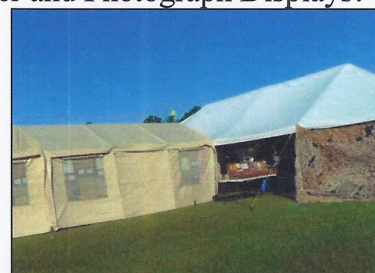
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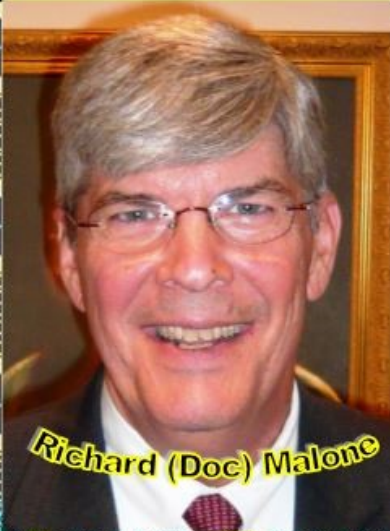
All Saints Special Yearly Honor

Knight-of-the-Year 2014

All Saints Council 11402 hereby recognizes Sir Knight Doc Malone for his dedication to the All Saints Council and the Watters Assembly during 2014.

He has served faithfully at our Fish Fries, Bingo events, and seemingly exhibits perfect attendance at all our events. His service as an honor guard, chairman of Veteran Appreciation Dinners, and service as our Watters

Assembly Faithful Captain is appreciated. His unfailing participation in all our programs has showcased his unique energies and continues to serve as an example to all.



**Doc
Malone
travelled to
Florida last
month for
a special
Honor
Guard.**

All Saints
Catholic Church



Knights of Columbus

2015 Concert Series Begins with:

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When: Saturday, March 21, 2015... **Doors Open:** 6:45 **Showtime:** 7:30

Where: The GYM at All Saints

Contact: Dean Trantow - trantowd@aol.com

Beer and Wine will also be available for purchase at the event.