

Minutes of 01-14-2010 Watters Assembly Meeting

The January meeting was held in All Saints. The meeting commenced promptly at 7:30 PM with the usual ceremonials. Members present were 43. The thirteen officers present were Stryker, Kassis, Langheim, Hlad, McKenzie, Mix, Klein, Webster, Spencer, Klimshuk, Crnkovich, Mastrogiovanni, and Pierson. Deacon Ray Egan read the invocation. Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed due to the electronic transmission and electronic correction.

Bills and Communications

Faithful Comptroller Webster reported that bills for dues have been sent out. He is still awaiting the registering of the 18 new members in Supreme's online system (used for the first time). These will raise our membership total to 169 (noting the death of one member) after the death of one member. Twenty-eight more members have returned their dues to be added later to the Assembly account.

Three bills were received for payment— dry cleaning \$33, food for the evening meal \$116.41, and a bill from Supreme for \$6.55.

Greg Crnkovich rose to remind the members that the evening meal amounted to \$116, while the donations in the pot were only \$42. He requested that the members pay their fair share of food costs to balance this out, rather than make a meal fee mandatory.

Bill Luckert rose to announce that he and several other new members had never received a bill for their dues. They will check with Comptroller for correct email or possible reception screenings on their email. Getting the minutes from the Scribe does not mean members will receive a dues letter. The Scribe's mailing list is only occasionally updated by the Comptroller.

New members from November did not pay a partial yearly dues for 2009. They were only billed the new \$30 yearly dues for 2010.

Purser Report

Rich McKenzie reported that the opening December 1st checking balance was \$467. Receipts were \$281, expenses were \$152, and the December 31st ending balance was \$596. Of that, \$576 was in the general fund and \$20 was in the golf ball fund.

Social Committee

Dennis Klein reported that he had come up with the best date he could at St. Andrew and it was Saturday, April 10th, the Saturday after Easter. The approximate cost will be \$60/couple. He asked if that date was good for everyone. If not, it would have to be June. He asked if we should go forward. A show of hands indicated that we should go ahead.

Holcomb asked if we could hold it at a country club at a higher cost. He was answered that they were trying to keep the cost down and Monsignor Marren had offered the St. Andrew Hall at no cost. Also, the St. Andrew chefs were available who do a great job at low cost. More will be presented at the next meeting.

Welfare Report

Urban Rump reported he had sent a sympathy card to member Tom King on the death of his wife, Glenda. He also urged all to go on the web site of the Red Cross and Catholic Relief Services to donate to Haiti.

Patriotic

Urban Rump reported that he attended the "Wreaths Across America" event in Canton. They had 3400 wreaths on the graves and he was very impressed. The Archbishop says a Mass there every year. Rump noted that there must have been 75 honor guard there a few years ago and he thinks that we should participate next year.

Commander Report

Bob Mitchell reported that for calendar year 2009, 333 members took part in honor guard events. He estimated that this was 833 hours of charity. He stated that we have already had 23 events in the first half of the fraternal year. Just complete was an event for Deacon Lloyd Sutter's son, Richard,

He noted that Friday, January 22nd, would finally be the funeral Mass for deceased member Frank Welter. He was the founding Grand Knight of All Saints Council and 18 members are signed up so far. Dave Lemcoe and Tom Dorn then added to bring it to 20.

Our own Sir Knight Ed Krise will be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate on Saturday, Feb. 6th, at the cathedral. He will perform as a full deacon that evening at All Saints 5 PM Mass. An honor guard is requested that evening and a reception will follow in the Social Hall. No honor guard at the cathedral, just at All Saints evening Mass.

We have 65 honor guard members from our Assembly and 10 others from other Assemblies who help us out.

Rick Langheim announced that Monsignor Reynolds was very complimentary of his “brother knights” at the First Mass of Father Sutter which was a very special event.

Unfinished Business

None

Trustee Report

None

New Business

Greg Crnkovich announced that a new council Mary Our Queen was about to be chartered. He suggested that the Assembly purchase them an American flag in the amount up to \$250, since they have nothing yet and they will join our Assembly. The amount in the treasury of the council was currently \$596. The cheapest place quoted \$219 for a flag.

John Knight made a motion to purchase them a flag for no more than \$250. It was seconded. Ernie Spencer noted that we need to buy a chalice very soon. Bob Mitchell made a motion that the low treasury balance and the fact that the council is not chartered, we might table the motion until next month. The comptroller noted that \$800 in dues had just come in also.

Bob Mitchell raised a motion to table the motion until the council is chartered. The vote was 26 to table and 17 to purchase the flag now. The motion was tabled.

Rick Sisko reminded the Grand Knights of the upcoming Grand Knight Meeting at St. Peter Chanel. He also noted that a black tie dinner for the Special Olympics at \$125 per ticket at the Century Marriott is scheduled.. See Tom Gissey for tickets.

Split the Pot

Sixty eight dollars was in the pot. Bill Luckert won \$34.

Attendance Award

Bob Mitchell won the \$25 attendance award.

Third Degree Reports

All Saints (Lou Hlad) – is planning its 8 event fish fry. Have a homeless shelter night on January 17th. A first degree is planned on January 19th. They have 7 guys going through the 3rd degree at Notre Dame Academy on the 23rd. Holding a free throw tournament on the 31st. Giving Ed Krise a reception after his ordination on Feb. 6th.

St. Andrew (Kassis) – They gave out their Christmas food baskets again this year. They have a large WinterFest event being held on the 23rd for Southern Catholic. Holding a 1st degree. They are getting ready for their fish fry.

St. Brigid (Dick Holcomb) – Held a 2nd annual Chili Challenge in the parking lot. Seven ministries participated and they raised \$1500 for the church. Annual breakfast with Santa. Served 500 breakfasts. Held a fudge sale for the Monastery. Held a dinner outing for the wives. They have 14 men going for their 3rd degree.

The meeting ended with the Good of the Order and the usual ending ceremonies.

St. Thomas Aquinas (Urban Rump) - A new Assembly is forming and he will probably transfer. They support the Fulton County Community Center in Roswell. Their small building near city hall is overcrowded. They recently got a new building with help of an anonymous donor. Urban volunteers at the current building. His council will be collecting food for the Center at their Christmas Party.

Faithful Navigator Report

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