

Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly

Meeting Minutes of May 7th, 2014

Held at Mary Our Queen

Assembly Web Site: www.kc2688.com

Total attendance: 27

The opening ceremonials, Pledge of Allegiance, and prayer were conducted. The roll call of officers was conducted.

Faithful Navigator- Bob Webster

Faithful Captain- Stan Wasowski

Faithful Pilot- Ed Pierson

Faithful Comptroller- Dave Mason

Faithful Admiral- Lou Hlad

Faithful Scribe- Tony Santoro

Faithful Purser- Abe Kassis

Trustee 3 year term- John Lewis **Excused**

Trustee 2 year term- Dennis Klein **Excused**

Trustee 1 year term- John Miles **Excused**

Inner Sentinel- Terry Petrokovich

Outer Sentinel- Jim Knapp

Faithful Friar- Monsignor Kiernan **Excused**

Faithful Commander- Bob Mitchell

- Singing of the Opening Ode was waived.
- Reading of the minutes of the last meeting were posted on the web site and bypassed in lieu of the transmitted minutes which were accepted without further correction.

Faithful Navigator Report:

1 – Thanks to the Mary Our Queen cooks for preparing the meal.

2 –**Recruitment** – we are close to meeting our target of 10 members.

We have six new knights and one transfer:

A – Ralph Trujilla - St. Andrews

B – John Healy – St. Andrews

C – Stephan Strong

D – William Estes - New Exemplified

E – Richard Marklein

F – Michael Palicia

G - Transfer - Nick Matera transfer from New Jersey – All Saints.

Motion to transfer nick was approved.

3 – Officer nominations are coming up for fraternal year. Notify the Navigator or Lou Hlad if you are interested in becoming an officer. Tony Santoro and John Lewis will be transferring to the St. Brigid assembly leaving two open positions.

Member polling: the group was then polled for volunteers for the officer positions:

Navigator: Stan Wasowski

Controller: Dave Mason

Captain – Doc Malone

Admiral – Bob Webster

Purser – Abe Kassis

Pilot – Ed Pierson

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1 yr trustee – Dennis Klein

2 yr trustee – Ron Collins

3 yr trustee – Bob Mitchell

Lou Hlad – Scribe

A final review and nomination of new officers was approved by the attending members. (Gavel strike for each officer three times)

Discussion:

Bob Mitchell advised we have to wait one month.

Navigator - The month of May is election month and does not follow council rules. Also, we have been asking for candidates for the past two meetings.

Bob – requesting a delay for one month before election.

Gray Plunkett – has it always been in May ?

Member vote – opposed waiting for one month.

Navigator – the **new officers start July 1.**

Stan Wasowski will schedule a ceremony.

Ed Person – thanks to the Navigator for the past year.

Faithful friar report: Thank Lou Hlad for picking him up. He celebrated his 65th year of ordination last week.

Report of Faithful Comptroller Dave Mason:

1. Current checking account balance \$7,765.88.
2. Current Membership is 159 plus 6 new SK for a total of 165.
3. Membership dues. We currently have 9 members who have not paid 2014 dues. I had commitment from one member of All Saints at last night's Council meeting to pay plus send extra \$20.00 for Memorial Bench. Third notice sent to members with outstanding balances sent May 6th.
4. Next Exemplification is in Augusta, GA in June. Need paperwork by May 31, 2014. Cost is \$70.00 plus \$10.00 for 4th Degree Badge (total \$80.00).
5. Gray Plunkett – discussion on how the loss of two members will affect totals and goal.

**Report of Bills and Communications:
Abe Kassis**

<u>BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 03.31.2014</u>		\$ 7,220.49
<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
DONATION MP3	\$ 240.00	
DUES	\$ 510.00	
STATE COUNCIL	\$ 160.00	
MEET FOOD	\$ 114.00	
50/50	\$ 41.00	
EXEMPLIFICATION	\$ 470.00	
SUB TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$ 1,535.00
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
STATE COUNCIL	\$ (160.00)	
DONATION AVVBA	\$ (250.00)	
MEETING MEALS	\$ (119.61)	
EXEMPLIFICATION	\$ (460.00)	
SUB TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ (989.61)
<u>BANK STATEMENT BALANCE 04.30.2014</u>		<u>\$7,765.88</u>
OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS/ CHECKS		
NONE		\$ -
<u>CHECK BOOK ACCOUNT BALANCE 4.30.2014</u>		<u>\$7,765.88</u>

Discussion:

- 1 – Bench donations - \$1535 , also received a donation of \$500.
- 2 – Ed Person – how short are we on bench donations ? \$350

Report of Committees:

Patriotic Committee: Lou Hlad

- Was Fr. Watter's unit.
- Saturday, June 14th
- Columbus, GA



173d Airborne Brigade National Memorial Foundation, Inc.

**173d Airborne Brigade
National Memorial Foundation
2014 Day of Honor
The morning of Saturday, 14 June 2014**

The 173d Airborne Brigade National Memorial Foundation will conduct an "Honors Ceremony" at the 173d Airborne Brigade National Memorial that is on the campus of the National Infantry Museum & Soldier Center In Columbus, GA. On Saturday, 14 June 2014, the names of the thirteen warriors of the 173d Airborne Brigade Combat Team who died in Afghanistan during OEF XIII will be unveiled.

All 173d Airborne Brigade Veterans and active duty warriors, and friends of the "Sky Soldiers" are invited to attend. The "Honors Ceremony" will take place at 1100 hours of 14 June 2014. More information will be provided In subsequent editions of the "Sky Soldier Magazine" and at our 173d Airborne Brigade National Memorial Foundation's website which is www.173dairbornememorial.org.

You may also contact our two Board Members of the 173d Airborne Brigade National Memorial Foundation who live In Columbus, GA: Jim Yarbrough (BG Ret.), cell phone: 706-325-9493, and at his email: fcyarbro@Nahoo.com. Richard Weik (CSM Ret.), cell phone: 706-392-1130, and at his email Richard.W.Weik@gmail.com.

Social Committee Report: Chuck Langgood

Korean War Founders Day Event, All Saints, May 31:

- 1 – Tickets are now available at all parish offices, \$30 per person.
- 2 – Honor guard for vets.

- 3 – Guest speaker will be the Consulate General from Korea.
 - 4 – Provide a POW table for those who did not return.
 - 5 – Need helpers for this event, contact Doc Malone.
 - 6 – Beverage manager.
 - 7 - Bob Mitchell to help with set-ups. Honor Guard will attend the mass.
 - 8 – Navigator – filed for a “To be a Patriot” award.
 - 10 – You donot have to be a veteran to attend, open to everyone.
 - 10 – Doc Malone – found video package gift for \$6 per package from the distributor. We donot get the fancy container.
- Complimentary to the honored veterans.

Chalice Committee: Ed Pierson:

Found a candidate, Deacon Rick Madena has a person who is studying in Miami.

Membership committee: Lou Hlad: No news to report.

Patriotism: John Bird

1 – May 22nd, 1100 – Milton High School.

- Veteran’s memorial for Kenneth Law(1968)
- \$25,000 event.
- Includes fly over support.
- Marching band.

2 – New 4th degree assembly instituted at Ft. Bragg in Columbus magazine.

- Using the Fr. Charles Watters assembly reference.

Trustee Report: No reports.

Commander Report: Bob Mitchell: See Bob’s report email to Honor Guard.

- Funeral – Doc Malone’s mother-in-law.
- May 10 – St. Andrews – no sword used at the event.
- May 10 - 1st communion (Latino event)
- May 30 – Special Olympics
- May 31 – Founder’s day – need volunteers.
- June 9th – All Saints – all adult confirmation.
- June 21st – Saturday – Eucharistic Congress.

Unfinished business:

Doc Malone – thanks for the honor guard, prayers and support at the funeral.

Bingo event:

Doc Malone discussed initiating a quarterly Bingo event to raise money for future Veteran and Patriotic programs.

1 – Held at All Saints on the 4th Thursday of each month. Next event May 22nd.

2 – Need more volunteers approved. We currently donot have enough GA state approved volunteers. Application is on line.

- 3 – We will eventually need 4 people to run on our own which includes setup and take down of equipment.
- 4 – Problems switching meeting rooms with St. Vincent DePaul.
Bob Mitchell – what about another day ?
- 5 – Doc – want to hold this event every week.
- 6 – Report after 1745.

Mary Our Queen scheduling issue:

- 1 - Not sure if Wednesday meeting day is permanent.
- 2 – Gray Plunkett: conflicts with other activities.
- 3 – Need more involvement.

Memorial funding, Newtown Park Veterans Memorial Walk:

Fr. Charles J. Watters Bench – funding is incomplete as assembly members have not contributed as expected. Navigator suggests considering funding the balance due out of the treasury. Currently we have authorized \$1,000 from treasury and \$550 in donations but may need additional authorization of \$450.

Trustee Report: No report.

New Business: No report

Reports of the 3rd Degree

All Saints: Lou Hlad

- The All Saints Fish Fry hit records of 1,422 meals in one night and 8,436 for the Lenten season. We made over \$15,000 which was down because we haven't raised prices for three years. We may not raise them again next year, because of the great community interaction.
- We hosted the Assembly meeting last month at McGivney Hall.
- Our Vidalia Onion Sale was a great success. All Saints sold a record 560 ten-pound bags. We distributed about 2,300 bags among nine councils.
- We hosted the Georgia State Service Programs judging at McGivney Hall again this year.
- The parish men's CRHP program was held at All Saints last month. About 25 Council Knights participated as presenters or attendees. Our McGivney Hall was used for lunch for both men's and women's CRHP luncheons.
- Several of our knights participated in the monthly all-night adoration before the Blessed Sacrament held in our Mary, Queen of the Knights Chapel.
- The Knights held a work day with food service using our cooker at the new Christo Rey Jesuit High School on West Peachtree near the Varsity and Georgia Tech this month. Our council brother, Deacon Bill Garrett, is the new school president and has used his brother knights for work crews as they get ready for their first class.

- We sent a crew to the SVDP Golf Tournament at the Standard Club to serve food with our cooker to the 72 golfers. The food was donated also.
- Sir Knights Greg Crkovich and Stan Wasowski attended the Bishop Donoghue Award Banquet in which the Knight were awarded the prize as best charity organization.
- Our parish Bingo continues to grow with the Knights running it. The first test event for Knights and guests only had 42 players. The first public event had 72 players. Last month we had 110 players. We have placed an ad in the Dunwoody Crier newspaper and we hope that the larger community will become regulars.
- Our 1st degree on April 29th brought 3 new brothers to All Saints and 3 to St. Brigid.
- We sent four brothers to Macon to become Sir Knights on April 26th.
- We gave out a 50 year marriage certificate to Brother Anthony Jabaley. We expect about 10 this year.
- Gave a \$1,000 scholarship grant to a St. Pius X grad going to Cornell.
- Donated \$500 to Atlanta Vietnam Business Association per Jon Bird request.
- Donated \$500 to DeKalb County "Relay for Life".
- Donated \$1,000 to Birthright.
- Donated \$1,000 to Msgr. Marren's Fund to buy a veteran an all-terrain motorized wheelchair.

Mary Our Queen: Jim Knapp

- We have a new Brother Knight in MOQ council, Andrew Sizimwe, who went through the 1st & 2nd Degree Exemplifications at council #660, the evening of Apr 16th, and plans to enter full Knighthood by taking his 3rd Degree at Holy Spirit, on May 13th.
- We have a new 3rd Degree Brother Knight, Michael Baylot, who took his 3rd Degree on Apr 12th, at the Exemplification held at Notre Dame Academy. And being a 3rd Degree Knight now, the council Nominating Committee listed him as nominee for Recorder, for the 2014-2015 fraternal year.
- Per our Membership Director, PGK Bob Santos's report; for our two April weekends of the Membership Blitz, our council was only able to come up with one possible transfer into the council. However, we reactivated 2 Brother Knights whom were past due on their dues. We also involved 3 new Brother Knights in our Wheelchair Sunday project today. The Wheelchair Sunday appears to be a success. We are still awaiting the final figures and count; some parishioners were sending their checks to the church office. Once those figures are final, another report will be forthcoming.
- For April, in place of our 3rd Sunday breakfast, which was Easter Sunday, we prepared and served a meal for our Youth Group on Sunday the 27th, after the 5pm Mass. This was the last Sunday the Youth would be meeting, before breaking for the summer.

- Mary Our Queen council will be holding elections at its May 15th business meeting. The Nominating Committee's list of nominees was read in at our April meeting, and transmitted electronically to all of the membership, within a day after the meeting.

St. Andrew: Chuck Langgood

- Final report on Fish Dinners exceeded last year despite one fewer dinner night.
- Many commented on the number of folks who came from other churches and areas to attend. We had a children's table for arts and crafts and had different dinner themes to go with the fish.
- Onion Sales went well, only a few bags left from last week.
- 4th Degree Honor Guards for First Communion May 4 and May 10.
- Presented Fr. Roy Lee a check for \$500 at a 10:30 Mass in support of his downtown ministry to feed the poor. Several brothers went with him the last three trips. Our parish responded very enthusiastically and affectionately.
- Presented slate of officers for election at the next meeting to serve for the next fraternal year.

Good of the Order

FN called for names to be remembered in our Good of the Order prayers. The names were given and FN led the Assembly with a special prayer for health, and Our Father.

50/50 split – Tony Santoro \$57

Attendance award – John Miles

Next Meeting – Thursday, June 12th, St. Andrew

Meeting Concluded: 8:10 PM.