

## **Minutes of May 14, 2015**

### **Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 Meeting**

The previous Assembly Meeting was held on Thursday May 14th at Mary Our Queen Parish Hall. Here is the upcoming schedule:

**All Saints ..... June 11th (St. Andrew Council is host)**

**All Saints.....July 9th (All Saints is host)**

**Mary Our Queen....August 13th then back to All Saints**

There was a Mass celebrated by Fr. Balappa Selvaraj of India to commemorate Ascension Thursday. Stan Wasowski and Lou Hlad served as acolytes. Fr. Selvaraj substituted for Faithful Friar Fr. Dan Rogaczewski who could not come.

The social dinner followed immediately afterward. The meeting started at 7:40 PM. There were 27 members present. Fr. Selvaraj was a first time visitor and he was a knight. He is leaving in days to start a new seminary in India.

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

Reading minutes of the last meeting was waived, since they were posted to members electronically. An extra duplicate page was noted and will be expunged.

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

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

## **Faithful Navigator Report (Stan Wasowski)**

FN thanked the Mary Our Queen Council for providing the chicken dinner which was enjoyed by all.

Before starting the meeting, he acknowledged all brothers with special May events:

**Wedding Anniversaries:** Abe Kassis, Dave Mason, Bryan Kler, E.J. Covillion, James Erdy, and John Buchholz.

**Birthdays:** Scott Earley, Mike Bagnulo, Deacon Bill McKenzie, Mike Palicia, Guy Stryker, Harold Walker, Tom Hoover, John Miles, David Copano, Bill Allen, Dr. Marion Maloof, Dean Trantow, and Ed Trainor.

FN thanked Fr. Selvaraj for arranging to say Mass on Ascension Thursday. He noted that the feast should be celebrated on a Thursday rather than the following Sunday as planned (laughter). He hoped that the members didn't mind going to Mass before the meeting.

He called on Deacon Ken Melvin to say the invocation before the meeting.

Since Color Corps Commander Bob Mitchell had to leave immediately for choir practice, FN allowed him to read his report first.

## **Color Corps Commander Report (Bob Mitchell)**

- He thanked the honor guard attendees for the First Communion at All Saints, the two Confirmations at St. Andrew, and the Confirmation at Mary Our Queen.
- Upcoming next Saturday is a 50th Anniversary of priesthood at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish for Father Michael Sullivan.
- Tuesday after Memorial Day is the opening of a new area in Arlington Cemetery for Priests and Deacons. Archbishop Gregory will bless the area.
- Saturday June 6th is the Eucharistic Congress. Bob needs guards especially for the 5 PM closing Mass.
- On Saturday June 13th is the Vietnam Vets Appreciation formal dinner at All Saints. Guards needed for the 5 PM Mass and the 6 PM dinner.
- On June 20th is the Fourth Degree Exemplification at St. Monica at 11:30 AM.

**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](mailto:bobmitchellga@yahoo.com)**

# Faithful Comptroller Report (Dave Mason)

1. Confirming Checking Balance of \$9,482.10.
2. Membership is 171 and just added SK Bill Leach.
3. 144 members have paid. We have three pending payment (or so they say)

A breakdown of of membership dues payments.

We have 8 Priest, 4 Deacons. 3 Life Members, 2 Disabilities, 2 waived for medical economic reasons, 5 pending suspension for non payment, 144 regular paid and 3 pending payment. For a total of 171. For those 141 who paid their dues.. thank you. Membership dues is our main source of operating funds.

4. Fourth Degree Exemplification Schedule. It appears we have approximately 30 candidates for the June 20th Exemplification at St. Monica in Duluth, Georgia I will need payment of fees (\$70.00 and \$10 for 4th Degree badge (a total of \$80.00). Make check payable to K of C Assembly # 2688. ( I need at the LATEST JUNE 1, 2015) The luncheon is included in candidate's fee. Sponsors get the Form 4 filled out completely and signed by the necessary personnel. Also, please put email address along on header of form for 4.

Name Badge...will be ordered as on Form 4 ...if it's William and he prefers Bill please let me know.

5. Assembly Bingo. Received a check for \$250 for our part of the proceeds from Assembly Bingo . This money helps fund our patriotic events, such as Veterans appreciation dinners.

## Faithful Purser Report

**Abe Kassis**

### BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 04.30.2015

**\$ 9,482.10**

### RECIEPTS

MEETING FOOD \$ 131.00

50/50 \$ 48.00

BINGO \$ 250.00

EXPEMPLIFICATION \$ 1,820.00

DONATION \$ 47.00

BADGES \$ 260.00

DUES \$ 120.00

SUB TOTAL RECIEPTS \$ 2,676.00

**\$ 12,158.10**

### EXPENSES

CHALICES \$ (505.40)

ATTENDANCE AWARD \$ (20.00)

CHALICE ENGRAVING \$ (138.03)

PURSER STIPEND \$ (50.00)

FOOD COST \$ (108.62)

EXEMPLIFICATION \$ -

SUB TOTAL EXPENSES \$ (822.05)

### **BANK STATEMENT BALANCE 05.31.2015**

**\$ 11,336.05**

### OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS/ (CHECKS)

\$ -

\$ -

**\$ -**

### CHECK BOOK ACCOUNT BALANCE 06.11.2015

**\$ 11,336.05**

## **Faithful Scribe Report on Communications (Lou Hlad)**

- No communications this month.

## **Report of Committees**

### **Ad Hoc Widows Committee (Lou Hlad)**

All Saints has the great bulk of widows because of their 53 deceased knights. About 40 widows of these men still live in the local area. A detailed spreadsheet of their addresses and email addresses (if they have one) was created by All Saints. We furnish them with newsletters to keep them involved. We intent to invite them to our October Memorial Mass on Wednesday October 14th at All Saints.

We need contact information for their deceased Assembly members from our two other councils.as well. Jim Knapp will be the widow contact for Mary Our Queen and Mike Bagnulo will furnish the St. Andrew widow contacts.

Hlad requested a contact for St. Brigid widows of our former St. Brigid deceased. Bob Webster of St. Brigid stated that the St. Brigid folks now honors their dead in a separate Memorial Ceremony and we no longer have to include theirs.

### **Social Committee (Chuck Langgood and Doc Malone)**

Chuck Langgood called for a show of hands of all who were planning to attend the Saturday June 13th Vietnam Vets Appreciation Dinner at All Saints. Many hands appeared. He reminded all that we need guests in the seats to honor the 40 vets honored and to pay for the complementary dinners for same. He encouraged them to bring their wives as well.

He announced that the Johns Creek Veterans Association will not be available to perform the color corps ceremony like last year. We must rely on our Honor Guard.

Setup, dinnerware, decorations must be arranged. Name cards, table assignments, signs must be completed. Langgood and Doc Malone are working on the printed programs. Everyone is invited to the 5 PM Mass at All Saints before the dinner.

Monsignor Marren will say the Mass. Vets will sit in a specific area. That Mass has been assigned to another family with special significance. We are forced to move a Mass said for the vets to Sunday July 5th. Honorees will be moved to McGivney Hall for staging before being escorted to the Gym.

The O'Callahan Assembly will allow us to borrow their huge American flag to decorate our stage area. We can also use their table decorations from last year. An official eVite will go out and a slideshow is being prepared.

The honorees will be limited to only Knights who served in any military capacity during the Vietnam era, their spouses, and priests. An attempt would be made to keep the tickets at about \$30 per person. Bar drinks are extra. Get your tuxedos cleaned..

## **Bingo Report (Doc Malone)**

Doc Malone reported that the monthly Bingo at All Saints is steady with the number of players in April at 85. Profit was about \$800. The net profit per month Press your parishioners to attend the fun. Cost is \$15 for the Bingo cards used.

**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 [docmalone@bellsouth.net](mailto:docmalone@bellsouth.net) and request the email forwarded that contains the relevant links.

## **Chalice Committee Report (Ed Pierson)**

The presentation for Fr. Gabriel Scasino is scheduled for Saturday May 30th at the All Saints 5 PM Mass. Monsignor Marren will concelebrate with him. Our comptroller has purchase a travelling Mass kit for him, since he is a Franciscan and will be moving around a lot. It still needs to be engraved with the names of Jean-Paul Roy and Nicholas D'Annunzio. Father Bryan Small recommended him.

We plan to give the large chalice to Father Michael Garcia. That chalice will have the names of Sir Knights Charlie Robinson, Jim Lamb, and Allan Kosek. He was ordained on May 9th. Deacon Rick Medina recommended him. He will be in Atlanta between May 26th and June 3rd. I will try to work out a presentation date that works with him and Monsignor Marren.

## **Membership Committee Report (Dave Mason)**

Bill Camden was not in attendance, but Dave Mason reported that he had 26 Form 4's that needed to be read in at this meeting. FN said he would announce the names and commentary on any would be appreciated from the members.

The new candidates are Jeff Berklich, Bryan St. Romaine, Matthew Pike, Michael Schaff, James Masak, Paul McKee, Charles Santa Maria, Gregory Kane, Harwood Jones, Doyle Cheatham, Arthur Dolt, Scott Klinger, David Hartman, Edgar Davis, Vincent Annaloro, William Newlands, Douglas Newlands, Jason Dew, Brian Wilson, Raymond Grupinski, Tom Templeton, David Grayson Jr., Gregory Gillins, Noel Dore, Lawrence Kokoska, David Gratch. We do not yet have the Form 4 for Alexander Leach. He must be read in at the next meeting.

## Patriotic Report (Jon Bird, Bob Santos)

Jon Bird was in the governor's office for a presentation to the Atlanta Vietnam Veterans Business Association for a very nice event. Next Monday the Mayor of Atlanta is stepping up to the plate by inviting Vietnam Era members to his office for recognition.

He mentioned the Moving Wall in Rockdale park that has a series of events in May. Even closer to home, the Marietta National Cemetery will honor the 40th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War.

Santos mentioned that the Georgia State Council has some exciting Military Hero Program patriotic events on tap. A military chaplain scholarship, Wheelchairs for Veterans, Frontline Faith MP3 players, Military Order of the Purple heart, Wreaths Across America, and a gala dinner with patriotic speeches encouraging men toward the priesthood and military chaplainship. The number of military chaplains has decreased from 400 to 232 today. Only 8% are Catholic. Santos will be visiting councils to see if any of their RSVP seminarian candidates would consider becoming military chaplains.

## Unfinished Business (Dick Marklein)

Sir Knight Dick Marklein of All Saints announced that he is embarking on May 31st on a coast to coast bike ride to raise money for the new Jesuit High School, Cristo Rey-Atlanta, in mid-town. His goal is \$30,000.



His cycling adventure begins May 31st in San Francisco and ends July 21st in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. He will personally be funding all the expenses associated with the trip. All monies raised will benefit Christo Rey science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) programs.

Other riders will accompany him, but he is the only one riding for Christo Rey. Donations are tax deductible and are already streaming in. All Saints Council donated \$500 with another \$500 to follow.

The mechanism to donate to his efforts is to go to web site [www.gofundme/CyclingForSTEM](http://www.gofundme/CyclingForSTEM) and make a donation with any credit card or by a PayPal account. The new tally will appear. Be generous.



## **Trustee Report (Dennis Klein)**

Klein presented the slate of prospective officers for the 2015-2016 Fraternal Year starting July 1st 2015, and lasting until June 30th, 2016. These were the names read. No changes were announced during the meeting. But other candidates were announced after the meeting ended and are included in the right column to provide contested elections.

Faithful Navigator	Doc Malone
Faithful Captain	James Knapp – Bill Camden
Faithful Pilot	BJ Van Gundy – Jon Bird
Faithful Comptroller	Dave Mason
Faithful Admiral	Stan Wasowski
Faithful Scribe	Lou Hlad
Faithful Purser	Abe Kassis
Trustee 3 year	Bob Webster
Trustee 2 Year	Bob Mitchell
Trustee 1 Year	Ron Collins
Inner Sentinel	Terry Petrukovich
Outer Sentinel	Dean Trantow

**Please attend the important June meeting to decide these contested elections.**

# Reports of the Third Degree

## All Saints (Lou Hlad)

- We managed the annual Vidalia Onion Sale for 12 councils. We ordered 3,000 ten-pound bags of onions direct from the farm in Vidalia, shipped them to Atlanta, and distributed them to all participating councils. All Saints sold 523 bags. Thanks for participating.
- On April 17<sup>th</sup> our Council brother, Deacon Bill Garrett, asked his brothers to help move 120 lockers and chair/desks donated by Mount Pisgah Christian School to the new Jesuit *Christo Rey-Atlanta High School* in midtown. Our members loaded them onto trucks to deliver to Cristo Rey. Deacon Bill is the President of that new school.
- Sir Knight Dick Marklein will be bicycling across the country from San Francisco to Portsmouth New Hampshire starting on May 31. He plans to raise \$30,000 for Cristo Rey School using an internet funding web site *gofundme.com*.
- Brother Bob Dallas of our council was elected to the MARTA board as DeKalb representative.
- We had 85 Bingo players on April 23rd. Profit was about \$800.
- We honored Sir Knight Rick Sisko at our April business meeting. He was a charter member of All Saints Council and our fourth grand knight. He was our leader for our first International Award for the building of our Knights Chapel at the rear of the church. He earned two Council Gold Star awards. He has always been a great friend of ours and we will miss him as he moves to Kansas City.
- The All Saints First Communion on April 25<sup>th</sup> featured 21 honor guards. Thanks to all who came.
- We held a 1<sup>st</sup> degree on April 28<sup>th</sup> for six new members.
- We honored Brother Paul Barranco with a Knight-of-the-Month Award for Fish Fry service.
- We honored Sir Knight Jon Bird with a Shining Armor Award.
- We presented new Brother Bob Worthington with a \$100 annuity in a raffle.
- We provided our council brother, Father Bryan Small, with a \$1,000 donation to purchase a votive candle holder for the narthex of his parish, Sts. Peter and Paul in Decatur. He is pastor.
- We held a monthly Friday Night movie for families.
- We voted a \$1,000 scholarship to Cameron Nolan, a graduate of Holy Trinity High, heading to Notre Dame for the Touchdown Club of Atlanta. Sir Knight Dennis Caniglia is President.
- We voted \$1,000 to Birthright of Atlanta, \$1,000 to the Cristo Rey bicycle marathon, \$500 to the Pre-School of All Saints, and \$1,000 to Pro-Life.
- Our acolyte teams served all parish funerals for the month.
- We lost three brothers recently—Bill Schlich, James Callison, and Sir Knight Allan Kosek. This brings our deceased total to 53.



## **St. Andrew Report (Mike Bagnulo)**

- They announced their slate of officers and will be holding elections in June.
- They completed a successful Vidalia Onion Sale. They are having a problem with people who paid for bags are not picking them up.
- They are in the middle of their baby bottle campaign. People pick up empty baby bottles and, in the course of two weeks, fill them with loose change or checks. Last time they had such a campaign, they collected \$2,400 for the Pregnancy Crisis Center.
- They have three new knights coming in this weekend. They should now qualify for Star Council Award.
- Our officers are going to the State Convention this weekend.
- From proceeds of their fish fry, they allocated this month \$700 to the Women's Guild, \$500 to their Squires, \$250 to the Welcome Committee, \$500 to the Pre-School, and 105 rosaries for the first communicants.

## **Mary Our Queen Report (Jim Knapp)**

- Held a breakfast last month. Whether good or bad, we ran out of food because the children's choir came. (laughter)
- Held another breakfast this week. The children's choir was smaller, so we had enough food.
- They distributed their bags of onions. Some people just don't come by to pick up the bags they bought.
- Pastor Father Dye has sent out a letter asking men of the parish to join the knights. We'll see how that works out soon.
- One of our knights gave a public cooking demonstration.
- Mary Our Queen volunteers continue to take Sir Knight George Swartz to dialysis and other medical treatments.

## **Good of the Order**

FN took intentions from the floor and a group prayer was said. Fr. Joseph Peek, Sir Knights George Swartz and Mike Nassr, Christine and Brooke Santos were especially remembered. Sir Knight Dennis Crean asked for prayers for his upcoming surgeries. Sir Knight Ernie Spencer is having cataract surgery. Brother Bryan St. Romaine needs our prayers. Stan Wasowski's aged parents need prayers.

## **Split-the-Pot Award**

Ron Collins won the \$47 split-the-pot.

## **Attendance Award**

Nick Mattera won the attendance award. He was present.

The meeting was closed with the usual ceremonials at 8:40.



**TWO CHALICES GIVEN AWAY THIS MONTH TO NEW PRIESTS.**

**Father Michael Garcia below.**

**Friar Gabriel Scasino to left and family photo at bottom.**

**Faithful Pilot Ed Pieron and Faithful Navigator Stan Wasowski did the honors.**







Lake Tahoe view on Mount Rose climb

Sir Knight Dick Marklein is rolling across the Sierra Nevada Mountains on his way to New Hampshire.

Please be generous.

