

**Minutes of Nov. 13th, 2014**  
**Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 Meeting**

The November Assembly Meeting was held at Mary Our Queen Parish Hall. Our normal future rotations shown below have been substantially altered because of the unavailability of St. Andrew due to construction. St. Andrew will host the meetings at All Saints during months which represent their normal turn.

All Saints ..... December (St. Andrew Council is host), then to  
All Saints.....January... then moving to  
Mary Our Queen....February then back to All Saints

The pre-meeting rosary was recited at 6:20 PM. It was dedicated to Past State Deputy Herb Broughton and deceased Sir Knight Nick D’Annunzio..

The social dinner followed immediately afterward. The meeting started a bit early at 7:25 PM. There were 31 members present. including 6 new members.

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 without any correction.

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>(excused)</b>
<b>Faithful Scribe-</b>	<b>Lou Hlad</b>	
<b>Faithful Purser-</b>	<b>Abe Kassis</b>	<b>(excused)</b>
<b>Faithful Commander-</b>	<b>Bob Mitchell</b>	<b>(excused)</b>
<b>Trustee 3 year term-</b>	“ “	
<b>Trustee 2 year term-</b>	<b>Ron Collins</b>	<b>(excused)</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's Report**

FN noted that he expected that there were new members attending for the first time. They stood and were acknowledged. There were 6:

from All Saints, Len Dorrien, E.J. Couvillian, Robbie White, David Emery, and Joe Inglima. From Mary Our Queen, Richard Puddy. Each introduced himself. Applause followed.

FN stated that he hoped the new members would become active in the Assembly events, especially the honor guard ceremonies. He noted that several spare sets of regalia were available.

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

FN announced the sad passing of Sir Knight Nicholas D'Annunzio. His funeral would be the following day at St. Brigid. He then also noted the passing of Past State Deputy Herb Broughton and the funeral arrangements. The former did not request an honor guard, but the latter will have a large one at Holy Cross Parish.

FN thanked everyone for their participation in the Assembly dinner at Altobeli Italian Restaurant on October 13th. A report will follow. He noted also the recent annual Mass of Remembrance held for deceased knights at All Saints (which also recognized deceased Watters Assembly members).

FN mentioned that the very first Bingo event benefiting the Assembly was held at All Saints. A generous portion of the proceeds revert to Watters on a quarterly event basis.

FN noted the various honor guard events held celebrating Veterans Day. One was held at All Saints with a Boy Scout Flag Retirement ceremony and one Veterans Day event was held at St. Andrew.

FN noted that Council 660 was hosting an Italian Night at their hall and has invited our Assembly to join them in a week.

## **Faithful Friar Report**

Father Dan Rogaczewski was not in attendance.

## **Faithful Comptroller Report (Dave Mason)**

1. Confirming Checking Account Balance of \$5,886.06.
2. Membership at 163, plus 12 from November 4th Degree Exemplification. Paperwork forwarded to Supreme Membership to get added to Assembly Roster by end of month. Which will bring us to a total 175 members.
3. We have an annual survey of Fraternal Activity due January 31, 2015. I will send separate email requesting what activities i.e. estimated hours of fraternal activities, community volunteer services, visiting the sick, etc. I think we all do a lot of this but usually don't keep track of our hours. I need your reply NLT January 15, 2015.
4. Membership dues for calendar year 2015 will go out by December 15th. Dues are still \$30.00. Make check out to K of C Assembly # 2688 or we can take cash. You can give it at monthly meeting or if you wish to mail, the address will be on dues announcement.
5. Also, we have a request from District Master Thomas Frizzi requesting \$100 from each assembly to cover cost overage of last Exemplification. Failing a gift from each Assembly, the cost comes out of the Master's own pocket. Our membership is to vote on the request.

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

- We received the first news of the death of our Sir Knight Nick D'Annunzio from the FN of the Father O'Callahan Assembly at St. Brigid. Nick was a member of St. Brigid Council, but never transferred to that new Assembly, so he was truly one of ours. He will be remembered on our next chalice, honored at our future Memorial Masses, and remembered on the deceased Assembly member plaque in McGivney Hall.

For those that are not aware, McGivney Hall is the chartered home of this Assembly as well as the home of All Saints Council. Plaques remembering Past Faithful Navigators and our honored deceased are maintained there, as well as the official Assembly Charter Document of year 2001.

- Our Faithful Admiral Bob Webster has taken pictures of the stone bench we purchased in Johns Creek to memorialize Fr. Charles Watters. We raised \$2,000 to purchase, engrave, and install the bench. It is quite beautiful.
- We were notified of the death of Past State Deputy Herb Broughton, who was also the Master of the Fourth Degree later. We had many dealings with this very nice man and we owe him a nice funeral sendoff.

## **Social Committee Report (Chuck Langgood)**

The Assembly tries to have two family social events every year. The social dinners with spouses at Altobeli Italian Restaurant have been very successful and well-attended the last three years.

Our most important social events honor our Veterans. Two years ago we honored the WW II veterans, early this year we honored the Korean War Vets, and next Spring we will honor the Vietnam Vets. Because of the large number of living Vietnam veterans, we expect to limit the honorees this time to only Knights who served there.

The Vietnam event will take place at St. Brigid and we will be hosting it in cooperation with the O'Callahan Assembly based there which was once a part of our own Assembly before the split. It will be a big event and volunteers will be needed early in 2015 to plan it.

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

The newly-deceased Sir Knight Nick D'Annunzio and Sir Knight Jean-Paul Roy are slated to be remembered on our next chalice which will be presented to current Deacon Garcia when he is ordained a priest next Spring. Up to three names are engraved on a chalice presented every year. Sometimes we present a travelling Mass kit instead of a single chalice if that makes more sense. Since we will all die, we all have something to look forward to (laughter).

## **Membership Committee Report (Bill Camden)**

In addition to the 11 new candidates and three transfers we voted in last month. We had one additional candidate to be voted in:

John Shaffer — All Saints

Richard Puddy of MOQ had been voted in previously and was in attendance.

Bill Camden spoke on his behalf of John Shaffer and he was voted in unanimously.

Bill also mentioned that candidate Msgr. Jim Fennessy was commandeered to play a role as Friar in the Nov. 8th ceremony. He also said the evening Mass and represented our Assembly marvelously. The entire ceremony and later evening went very well. The steak dinner was excellent and the receptions went well.

## **Patriotic Committee Report**

Jon Bird was not present, but FN related that patriotism was not overlooked in the previous month with the two Veterans Day honor guards and a flag retirement ceremony being held to commemorate that holiday.

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

There was no report.

## **Color Corps Commander Report**

Commander Bob Mitchell was not in attendance, but he sent his report to FN (who held up a thick file to laughter).

- Bob wanted to remind everyone that discounted regalia under a group purchase is still available through December 5th. He has arranged a package deal through the English Company. Contact him.
- Veterans Day events at All Saints and St. Andrew were mentioned as was the Nov. 8th exemplification of the 4th degree.
- The wake and funeral for Past State Deputy Herb Broughton would be held the following Tuesday and Wednesday. Volunteers needed.
- Our Lady of the Assumption will be holding a Confirmation Event the following Tuesday. They have asked for honor guard assistance.
- On Saturday Nov 22nd, there is a Confirmation at All Saints at the 10 AM Mass.

## **Unfinished Business**

None.

## **New Business (Bob Santos, David Emery, Doc Malone)**

Bob Santos (State Charities Chairman) rose to announce that Council 8731 has written a computer app for Android and Apple smartphones that could be an example to other councils who might want to write one.

The State Charities Committee have sent out a series of KofC printed labels that are useful in KofC communications. They are hoping for a donation to defer the cost and embellish the charity funds for the state organization. Please respond.

There is a 5K run-walk event at St. Peter Chanel Council next Saturday. Their Grand Knight has asked Bob to spread the word.

David Emery rose to speak about a Men's Club event held at All Saints that featured Mr. Rick Foley speaking on child pornography poisoning the Internet. It was very powerful. They make software to block such stuff from homes. He sells a package through a company called Covenant Eyes. ([covenanteyes.com](http://covenanteyes.com)). It protect your children from this insidious threat.

Doc Malone asked that additional Sir Knights get approved by the State Gaming Commission to help out at the quarterly Assembly Bingo event at All Saints. Those running the event must be fingerprinted and approved by the State. Doc Malone has the details. Please help us raise funds for the Assembly via this fun event.

# Reports of the Third Degree

## **All Saints—Dean Trantow**

- Wrapped up Pumpkin Patch program. Very successful. About \$6,000 profit.
- Held Remembrance Mass for deceased council and Assembly Knights Oct. 15th.
- Held council Oktoberfest. Bill Camden received State Recruiter of the Year Award.
- Promoted 7 members to the 2nd degree on Oct. 15th. We are forming a 2nd degree team at All Saints.
- Two of our council priests attended the Altobeli Restaurant event — Friar Emeritus Msgr. Kiernan and Friar Fr. Dan Rogaczewski.
- Provided beverage services for All Saints Parish Picnic on Oct. 18/19.
- Sponsored parish Bingo food services on Oct. 23rd. Assembly Sir Knights ran the games.
- We lost our 49th council member, John Foley. Our acolyte team served the funeral.
- Sponsored the monthly parish children's movie, "Free Willy", on Oct. 24th.
- Held a 1st degree on Oct. 28th for 5 new members and brought in 3 transfers.
- Provided 10 new Sir Knights for the Nov. 8th exemplification of fourth degree.
- Provided food services for the Cleanup Dunwoody Day on November 1st.
- Partnered with our Boy Scout Troop in a flag retirement ceremony for Veterans Day, and sponsored a Spaghetti Dinner for them.
- Scheduled a work day at the Atlanta Community Food Bank on Nov 20th.
- Donated \$500 to the downtown homeless shelter, \$1,000 to People Making Progress, and \$500 to the Elaine Clark Center for Exceptional Children.

## **Mary Our Queen—Jim Knapp**

- Holding monthly Sunday breakfasts for the parish.
- Selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets for sale.

## **St. Andrew— Bill Campbell**

- Members are busy with church renovations which will mean that future Assembly meeting cannot be held there for some 6-8 months. The family center will be the temporary church.
- Held a Veteran's Day Mass with 11 honor guards on Nov. 9th.
- Collecting food baskets donations for 80 needy family in late November.
- Breakfast with Santa will be held on Dec. 6th. Terry Petrukovich is Santa.
- Starting a newsletter to raise council visibility.
- Brother Jim Lamb is getting very weak with cancer. Prayers needed.
- 1st degree exemplification is moved to St. Brigid.

## **Good of the Order**

FN took intentions from the floor and a group prayer was said. Past State Deputies Herb Broughton, Tom Gissy, and Chuck Federico are all very ill. Sir Knight Nick D'Annunzio was specially remembered.

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

Bill Campbell won the pot of \$100 and received half.

## **Attendance Award**

Dennis Klein of St. Andrew's name was picked, and he was in attendance.

The meeting was closed with the usual ceremonials at 8:30 PM for a meeting of one hour.

(see the following pictures of our Assembly Meeting and the bench we purchased to honor Fr. Charles Watters in Johns Creek and some Bingo event pictures.).



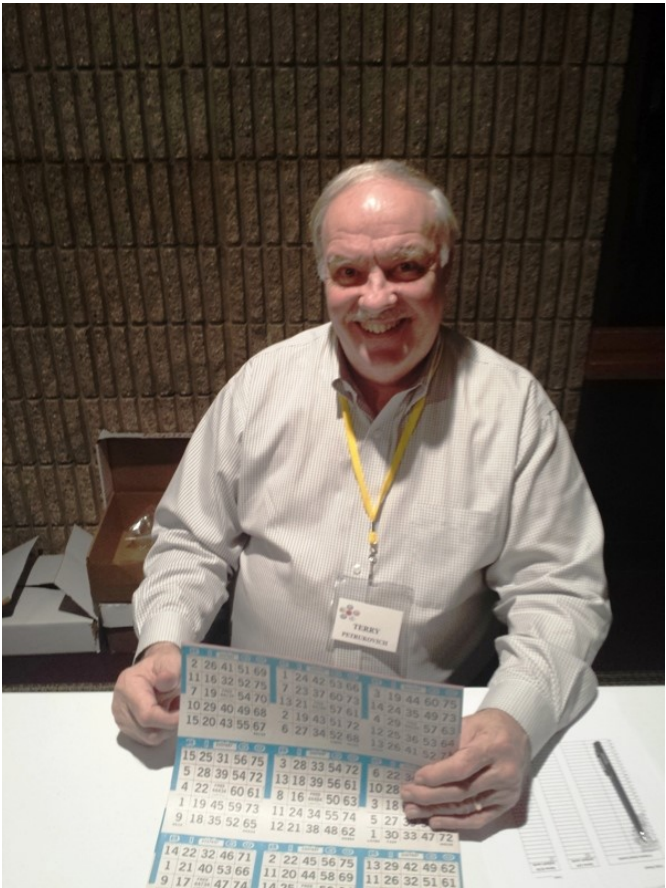




# Assembly Bingo Night at All Saints on October 23, 2014



**Ralph O'Connor**



**Terry Petrukovich**



**Ernie Spencer**



**Bob Webster**



**Joe DeVita**



**Doc Malone**