

Minutes of October 13th 2011 Watters Assembly Meeting

The October Assembly Meeting was held at St. Andrew. Future rotations are shown below:

~~St. Brigid...November...switched to All Saints~~
~~All Saints... December...switched to St. Brigid~~
Mary Our Queen...January...then moving to
St. Andrew.....February...then moving back to St. Brigid.

The pre-meeting rosary started at 6:15 PM. The social dinner followed immediately afterward. There were 26 members present.

The meeting started early at 7:15 PM with the usual ceremonials. The minutes of the last meeting were bypassed in lieu of the transmitted minutes.

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

Faithful Navigator-	Dick Kobylski	
Faithful Captain-	Chuck Langgood	
Faithful Pilot-	Ed Pierson	
Faithful Comptroller-	Bob Webster	(excused)
Faithful Admiral-	John Lewis	
Faithful Scribe-	Lou Hlad	
Faithful Purser-	Rich McKenzie	(expected late)
Trustee 3 year term-	John Miles	(excused)
Trustee 2 year term-	Rick Langheim	
Trustee 1 year term-	Tom Mix	
Inner Sentinel-	Mike Klimshuk	
Outer Sentinel-	Bob Santos	(excused)
Faithful Friar-	Monsignor David Talley	(excused)
Faithful Commander-	Bob Mitchell	

Faithful Navigator's Report

FN commenced the meeting by complimenting Scribe Lou Hlad for the fine quality of the transmitted minutes of the last Assembly meeting. He cited the revised readable format and the inclusion of pictures (applause). He said that he expects that all future versions will be of said quality.

FN reminded the members that the next meeting would be moved to All Saints because of a hall schedule conflict at St. Brigid.

FN read a communication from our Worthy District Master, Tom Gissy, reminding us that "**Keep Christ in Christmas**" buttons are available for purchase for \$1 each and sold for whatever the market will bear. Any return over \$1 goes to either the council or may be returned to the Bishop's Relief Fund. The choice is theirs. Some councils have bought hundreds to distribute as advertising or to sell. FN encouraged all member councils to support this KCIC project.

FN reminded members that our State Deputy, Rick Sisko, has asked all member councils to join the "**Pennies from Heaven**" initiative to support the building fund for the Holy Spirit Monastery in Conyers. Any retired person who would like to spend a day in contemplation at the monastery should contact FN who can arrange such a single day retreat.

Bills and Communications

FN asked Faithful Scribe Hlad to read the bills that were presented, since the Faithful Purser had not yet arrived. He was given a pile of receipts to present. All were for the evening meal from various sources:

Publix	\$56.25	beverages
Sam's Club	\$21.02	salad and dressing
Publix	\$15.92	rigatoni
Kroger	\$ 6.70	sauce

total	\$99.89	the cost of the evening meal

Sir Knight Dennis Klein rose to thank the chefs of St. Andrew for their fine Italian meal (applause).

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Patriotic Committee Report

Dave Lemcoe reminded the members that the Assembly will be aiding the USO at the Atlanta Airport on December 29th to greet the returning troops.

FN announced that Urban Rump had announced that on October 29th there will be a quarterly “stand-down” at the VA hospital for veterans. This entails free medical treatments for homeless GI’s, haircuts, food, clothes, etc. Jon Bird and his wife have volunteered to go down there to assist. Parking is horrible and a car pool would be advisable.

FN has participated in such an event with his daughter previously in St. Louis and he said it brought a tear to his eye. These men are down on their luck. As it gets cold, they can use some doctors, dentists, and medical workers to help them out. Let FN know if interested.

Social Committee Report

Charles Langgood reported that since the members at the last meeting voted to hold a wine and cheese tasting affair, he was proposing such an event for Saturday November 5th. He noted that it could be held at St. Andrew or at a commercial site. Langgood proposed that an event at St. Andrew could consist of heavy appetizers, meat trays, shrimp, meat-balls, etc. He and another person could furnish the wine. Without a wine steward, the cost would be \$10-\$15 per person.

A second option would be *The Wine Bar* on the corner of Holcomb Bridge and Barnwell Roads. It is conveniently located for all councils. There is a private room which could hold up to 80 people. A wine steward who is a member of St. Brigid would be available to present wines for sampling. Expected cost would be about \$17.50 with similar food.

A third option would be to contact Darren Nelson, a brother from St. Brigid, who is a wine salesman. Held at St. Andrew, the cost would be minimal \$10 to \$15 range per person.

Langgood noted that The Wine Bar is a very nice location and would be a private room that would hold the expected 40 people (15 Knights had raised their hands as probably participating at the last meeting. Wives would double this number.)

Scribe Hlad opined that the St. Andrew Family Center would be much too large for 40 people and that a private room would be cozier. Langgood responded that the Family Center could be partitioned in half if need be.

As conflicting ideas were sounded, someone asked Langgood if he had a first choice, since he was organizing the event. Langgood offered that he preferred **The Wine Bar** private room. Rick Langheim offered that with no disrespect to the various parish centers, we had all been there to events and it would be nice to take the wives to a new place, dress up, and make the evening a little special. With only a minimal cost differential, the vote taken was to hold the event off site at **The Wine Bar**. Hands raised put the minimal attendees at 34 already. FN said he would publicize the event via email.

New Applications to Assembly

FN asked Scribe Hlad to read the Form 4 applications that have been received for the November 12th 4th degree exemplification.

All Saints

Timothy Krulia - accepted - 25 year old

Dominic Palermo - accepted - interested in honor guard

Gerald Churchill - accepted - will try honor guard at least once

St. Andrew

Rhett De Buys - accepted - active around church/on church council

St. Brigid

Fred Maust - accepted - two sons of 1st degree

More applications are anticipated as the date approaches. There is one more Assembly meeting on November 10th at which candidates can be read in.

Rick Langheim reported that Atlanta Council 660 had cancelled their scheduled 3rd degree on November 5th, and that had prompted Rick Sisko to ask his St. Brigid Council if they could replace the degree at their venue. They agreed to hold one on Nov. 5th, so that several 3rd degree knights would have the opportunity to become Sir Knights on Nov. 12th.

FN noted that we needed to heavily promote the 4th degree. The Sir Knights are becoming more popular and more honor guards are being requested. Archbishop Gregory recently requested that all parishes hold a vigil Mass the night before the feast day for Pope John Paul II. Honor guards are requested as well.

Commander Bob Mitchell again implored Sir Knights to respond to his emails either in the positive or negative regarding whether they could serve in various honor guards. He is not certain if everyone is getting his emails when there is no response.

Faithful Purser's Report

Rich Mckenzie arrived later and reported that beginning balance was \$5,485 with revenue of \$141 and expenses of \$320 for a final balance last month of \$5,306.

He noted that the donations for the evening meal were \$69 and he had an additional bill for \$43 to clean honor guard apparel.

Unfinished Business

Ed Pierson rose to thank Bill Zaryski for taking over his duties for three meetings while he was away on vacation (applause). Pierson mentioned that he was very sorry to have missed the Blessing of the Swords ceremony. It turned out to be a very popular event that will be repeated every year.

Trustee Report

None

Commander's Report

Bob Mitchell reported that we continue to have an amazingly busy first part of the fraternal year. A total of 165 members have taken part in 12 events. That is nearly 14 members per event. Wonderful.

- Special Olympics Softball Tournament guard had 12 participants. Each of the four member councils donated \$250 for a \$1,000 total donation. St. Andrew had first sponsored this event, then All Saints joined, then St. Brigid participated, and now Mary Our Queen has also joined.
- Deacon Dennis Dorner's mother's funeral followed immediately after and several Sir Knights did double duty that day.

Upcoming Events:

- Memorial Mass for Deceased Knights at All Saints Oct. 18th. Candle lighting for 34 deceased brothers.
- Mass for Pope John Paul II at St. Brigid with honor guard.
- Our Lady of the Assumption will celebrate their first anniversary as a council. The new Atlanta Assembly 3313 will lead the honor guard. We will participate.
- Mass of Remembrance on Nov. 2nd at St. Brigid.
- Confirmation at All Saints on Nov. 5th 10 AM.
- Marriage of Sir Knight Greg Moss (SK Guy Stryker's grandson) on Nov 5th 3 PM. John Baker will be the commander.
- Veterans Day Mass with Color Corps and honor guard at All Saints at 10:30 Mass on Nov. 6th. Monsignor Marren requests large honor guard.
- Boy Scout flag retirement ceremony at All Saints on Nov. 6th at 1:30 PM. Request a small honor guard of 5 or 6 to participate.
- St. Andrew has a Veterans Day Mass on Nov. 6th at 10:30 AM at the same time as All Saints.
- Two Confirmations at St. Brigid on Nov. 12th at 10 Am and 2 PM.
- Forth Degree Exemplification at St. John Neumann on Nov 12th 2 PM.
- Rome Christmas Parade on Nov. 29th. Interest in going requested.

He mentioned that the O'Hara Assembly had just split, and that is why a new Atlanta Assembly 3313 has been formed.

Reports of the 3rd Degree

Mary Our Queen

FN read the MOQ report for Grand Knight Larry Heiman who could not attend.

- Held very first 3rd degree event at MOQ on October 1st. More guests than the total number of brothers in MOQ attended, but everything went well. Rick Langheim and Dennis Klein were singled out for their assistance by Heiman.
- A District Deputy Meeting was held in conjunction with the above.
- MOQ participated for the first time in the Special Olympics Softball Tournament and donated their \$250 amount along with the others. Heiman made his regalia debut. His wife, Ann, attended the ceremony and recognized two former students that she had taught. Heiman thanked Bob Mitchell for regalia loaning and FN Dick Kobylski for most excellent training with sword protocol (laughter).

St. Andrew (Langgood)

- Held their very first blood drive with 14 donors. Partnered with LifeSouth who provided their bloodmobile.
- Soccer skill challenge to be held at October 22nd.
- Tootsie Roll Drive starts on October 22/23 weekend. Also on Oct. 29/30 weekend.
- Adopted a stretch of Nesbit Ferry highway to clean up. Signs will be posted.
- Assisting parish picnic on October 16th. Will sponsor a golf game with pitching wedges.
- Church rosary and dessert social will be held October 24th.
- Six brothers presented the CRHP program (Christ Renews His Parish) at All Saints Parish.
- First Degree is scheduled for November 7th.
- Sponsoring 3 seminarians. One just became a priest (Charles Okeke) and is now assigned to St. Benedict. He was replaced by Charles Starr, a seminarian at Mount St. Mary's Univ. in Emmitsburg, MD.
- Participating in Keep Christ in Christmas religious card campaign.

St. Brigid (Langheim)

- Sept. 17th - ten brothers helped set up a corporate hall for the ministry fair weekend. They signed up 12 new candidates to join, of which four already have joined.
- Sept 18th- 24 knights set up the Holy Redeemer soccer field for the St. Brigid Picnic, served the food, cleaned up. Donation of \$1,000 was given toward cost of the event.
- Sept 20th - the State Deputy awarded them their fifth straight Double Star Council Award. They needed 42 new members, but got 68.
- A Squires Circle has been authorized for St. Brigid for boys 10-18.
- Oct. 2nd - 42 brothers and associated family members prayed the rosary for a Respect for Life chain event on Old Alabama Road.

All Saints (Hlad)

- Hosted the Guadalupe icon and then moved it to St. Thomas Aquinas.
- Two 3rd degree knights were added at the MOQ ceremony.
- Sponsored the annual Knight build day Oct. 1st for All Saints' 18th Habitat for Humanity House. Provided labor and food.
- At October 4th meeting, over \$11,000 was approved for charity:
 - Monastery of Holy Spirit - \$5,000. They will dedicate an outdoor column to our council.
 - KofC Charities - \$2,000.
 - BirthRight - \$1,000.
 - Dominican Sisters - \$1,000
 - People Making Progress - \$1,000 (Adult Intellectual Disabilities)
 - Friends of Disabled Children/Adults - \$500
 - Fr. Ho Lung Mission (Jamaica) - \$500
 - Special Olympics Softball Tournament - \$250.
- Three brothers were awarded VIP (Very Important Proposer) recruiting certificates (Myers 5, Kampfer 15, Hlad 15).
- DD Rick Langheim award Shane Patilla a Shining Armor Award.
- Rick Sisko All Saints our fifth consecutive Double Star Award at our Oktoberfest Picnic Oct. 16th. He will also award them their third International Award (for Soap Box Derby event).
- Holding Mass of Remembrance for 34 deceased brothers (6 this year) on Oct. 18th at 7 PM Mass. Honor guard requested.

- As this meeting is going on, 12 brothers are serving at a wine tasting party at All Saints along with St. Benedict to raise funds for St. Joseph High School in Ghana, Africa. (note: over \$50,000 was raised!!)
- New Parish Pumpkin Patch Event. Had delivery of 3,500 pumpkins to decorate the All Saints campus. First weekend sales were \$3,500. Hlad suggested all councils look into this lucrative event next year.
- Council and Assembly brother Jean-Paul Roy will be awarded a certificate for 60 years of marriage to wife Antonette.
- Council and Assembly Brother Tom Burleigh is on his way to Lourdes, France. He goes every year to assist invalids in and out of the water there.

District Deputy Report

DD Rick Langheim announced that a new 2nd degree team (Msgr. Talley Team) is being formed. They will use the All Saints McGivney Hall for its availability and St. Brigid Corbett Hall when possible.

Good of the Order

- State Deputy Rick Sisko for a successful term.
- Prayers for all Brother Knights looking for assistance in finding jobs
- S K Brother Bob Webster ongoing medical treatments for his lungs
- S K Brother Nick D' Annunzio ongoing medical treatments for his lungs
- S K Brother Paul Buettner cancer treatment
- S K Brother Matt Cooper's wife treatment for breast cancer
- S K Brother Marty Wilson's wife Michele recuperating from surgery
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- S K Brother Charles Robinson spinal stenosis (narrowing of the spinal cord causing pressure on the spinal cord)

- Deacon Dorner's mother, Rita, who passed away.
- S K Brother Mike Nassar suffering with dementia
- Prayers for the repose of the soul of Debbie LaFreniere, wife of St. Brigid Council Brother Deacon Jim LaFreniere after a long fight with cancer.
- GK Bob Santos, recently in the hospital.
- Christine Santos, wife of SK Bob Santos.
- S K Mike Klimshuk's grandmother and also Mike himself.
- S K Joe Cavallaro with heart problems
- S K Mark Foster's two uncles
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- S K Bob Shoemaker recovering from heart surgery
- S K Ed Pavlik and wife Eleanor lost son, Christopher, 51

Split-the-Pot

\$42 to Jon Bird on his birthday.

Attendance Award

none

The meeting ended with the usual ceremonies at 8:15 PM.