Minutes of January 10th, 2019 Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 Meeting

The January 10th Assembly Meeting was held at All Saints McGivney Hall. Here is the schedule of future Assembly meetings:

Mary Our Queen	Feb.	<u>7th</u>
St. Andrew	Mar.	14th
All Saints	Apr.	11th

The rosary was recited before the meeting as usual. Dinner was provided by our Faithful Navigator and consisted of roasted and fried chicken, squash soufflé, bread, cookies, and beverages. There were 21 total Sir Knights attending.

The meeting commenced slightly on time about 7:35 PM. There were no first time attendees or members of another Assembly.

Cited as having January birthdays were Sir Knights Rich Tomaszewski, Ted Tada, Bernie Santa Maria, Jim Gonzales, Frank Seco de Lucena and Bill Campbell.

January wedding anniversaries cited were David Emery (47), <u>Jack Vander Wiele (50)</u>, Bennie Mastrogiovanni (55), Fred Dyer (54), Ed Krise (54), Dave Richardson (32).

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as transcribed.

Here was the officer roll call. Outer Sentinel Euse Durah has moved from the area and must be replaced.

Faithful Navigator - Nick Mattera Faithful Captain - Bob Mitchell

Faithful Pilot - Jon Bird (excused)
Faithful Admiral - Ernie Spencer (excused)

Faithful Scribe - Lou Hlad

Faithful Comptroller - Dave Lemcoe

Faithful Purser - Ted Tada (excused) Inner Sentinel - Ray Grupinski (excused)

Outer Sentinel - open (Euse Durah has moved)

Trustee—one year - Chuck Langgood (excused)
Trustee —two year - Dave Mason (excused)

Trustee —three year - Wulf Lindenau

Faithful Friar— Msgr. James Fennessy (excused)

Faithful Navigator Report—Nick Mattera

Another beautiful chalice presentation was made on Sunday January 27th at All Saints at the 10:30 Mass.

As mentioned in the last newsletter and at the meeting, this chalice presentation was special. The chalice was presented to Fr. Kevin Peek in remembrance of Fr. Joseph Peek, whose name was engraved on the chalice. Just prior to the conclusion of mass we made the presentation. When Mass was concluded and we took pictures of the Peek family with Fr. Kevin holding the chalice.

A special Thank You.. to SK & PGK Pat Fahey and SK Lou Hlad who took the pictures and also to SK Ed Pierson and SK Dave Lemcoe for putting this all together.

Once again I would like to thank the men who once again stepped up and supported our Honor Guard. An Honor Guard was on hand to celebrate the ordination and first mass of our new Deacon and fellow Brother Knight Hedy Sevilla.

The Mass was at 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday January 26. We wish our new Deacon Hedy much success and the fulfillment of happiness in his new ministry duties as Deacon.

An Honor Guard was also on hand for our annual Right to Life Mass that was held at the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday January 20 at All Saints Church

Our next 4th Degree Exemplification is set for February 23rd at 10:00 am at St. Monica's in Duluth.

Currently we have 2 new candidates looking to take their Exemplification: Joseph Tuttle and Thomas Burns

Keep an eye out for those 3rd degree Brother Knights who are thinking about becoming a 4th degree and help them along to finally joining our Assembly.

I hope to see you at our 4th Degree Assembly meeting at Mary Our Queen at 6:15 pm on February 7, (6:15 pm .. Rosary)

Faithful Comptroller Report—Dave Lemcoe

Checking account balance: \$13,561.15

Membership: Currently, we have 200 members. Seven new members on our rolls. Four attended the Exemplification last month, SKs Jon Biasini, Jack Porter, Vincent Masi, and Christopher Lekan. Three had to postpone. I observed as well as SKs Victor Ojeda and Dennis Klein. SK James Knapp transferred to Ass'y 3185 and has been dropped from the

Exemplification February 23. It will be at St Monica in Duluth.

Councils: I have the current Form 4s. Remember to fill them out completely! Nary a one of the recent submissions have been complete. Member number for candidate/ proposer, applicable degree dates, signature of FS, Parish information, signature of FN, Council/Assembly information, and all other complete applicant information need to be provided.

Dues: Dues notices sent out last week. Through today, 55 have paid by mail or in person. Not all got the initial email as their record was set for mail only. Thus, a second subsequent email. Please let me know of any changes of email or mailing address.

Cards: I have membership cards awaiting signature by the Faithful Navigator.

Annual Survey: Input is needed for the Annual Survey f Fraternal Activity. Discussion expected during the meeting.

Faithful Purser Report—Ted Tada



FATHER CHARLES J. WATTERS ASSEMBLY 2688

PURSER REPORT

01/01/19

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 12	01/2018	\$	12,135.20
RECEIPTS		2	
50/50	\$64.00		
KofC CHARITY of GA			
SOCIAL EVENT			
DUES	\$1,090.00		
MEETING DINNER	\$ 142.00		
SUB TO	TAL RECEIPTS		\$1,296.00
			12 421 20

\$ 13,431.20

EXPENSES SOCIAL EVENT CHARITY/WREATHS ACROSS Scholar/Lourdes MEET FOOD/BEV \$ (178.05) CHALICE FUND REGALIA STIPEND CCC/ COMPTROLLER ! KofC CHARITY of GA

\$ (112.00) this was actually cashed on Dec. 26

SUPPLIES **BATTLE CROSS** VETERANS DAY

SUB TOTAL EXPENSES BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 01/01/2019 13,141.15

Faithful Scribe Report—Lou Hlad

Hlad sent out the monthly minutes and the instructions for registering on the web site as always.

Hlad reread the letter from Fernando Peguaro who apologized for not coming because of the death of his wife. He paid his dues.

Hlad read a letter from the Regional Director of the Wreathes Over America thanking us for our donation to the St. Andrew Heritage Girl Troop that placed wreathes on veteran graves.

Ad Hoc Widows Committee—Lou Hlad

- . Widows received our newsletter.
- Two widows played Bingo gratis.
- One widow had a new telephone system install by Brother Matt Allen and one widow had a broken closet door fixed by Sir Knight John Knight.
- Widow Mary Ann DeLaria provided the face painting booth at our Desserts With Santa Event.

Patriotic Report—Jon Bird

Jon did not attend. There was no Patriotic Report.

Fundraising Committee—Bob Santos

Bob did not have a membership report. He mentioned that he attended the Rhode Island State Convention and learned of a program called the *Military Order of the Purple Heart* that raises money for wounded veterans returning to civilian life. It could be an alternative or addition to our Campaigns for Military Chaplains. Two Assemblies there raised \$15,000 each for this cause. Their web site is www.purpleheart.org.

Chalice Committee Report - (Ed Pierson)

Fr. Kevin Peek was presented his brother's chalice at the 10:30 Mass on 1-27-2019 at All Saints. It has his brother's name, Fr. Joseph Peek, on it. We agreed to present him with his brother's chalice for his use at a permanent location of his choice. See photos attached in these minutes.

We have identified a backlog of four more chalices for our Assembly as detailed below.

Mark White, a deacon who will be ordained a priest on 6/1/2019 has been added as a later target recipient.

A vote was held, and Fr. Dan McCormick will be honored with a chalice although he was not a Fourth

John Klein L

SK Guy Stryke

SK Robert Heald

Degree. Richard Sisko passed and we will start another chalice (#4).

- Presented to Fr. Ceballos, a travel chalice on July 21st, 2016
 Anthony Allan Kosek passed 12.25.2014 (All Saints)
 Charles J. Robinson passed 12.30.2014 (St. Andrew)
- Presented to Father Roberto Suarez, a chalice on Nov. 3rd, 2016
 James Edward Lamb passed 3.5.2015 (St. Andrew)
 Richard (Doc) Malone passed 6.12.2015 (All Saints)
 Michael A. Nassr passed 10.31.2015 (St. Andrew)
- Presented to Fr. Bryan Kuhr, a travel chalice on July 16th, 2017
 Dennis M. Crean passed 11.1.2015 (All Saints)
 Thomas Templeton passed 5.1.2016 (All Saints)
- Presented to Fr. John Klein, a chalice on April 22nd, 2018
 Guy E. Stryker passed 9.26.2016 (All Saints)
 William O'Shaughnessy passed 1.11.2017 (St. Brendan)
 Robert Heald passed 3.12.2017 (All Saints)
- Presented to Fr. Michael Bremer, a chalice on August 11th, 2018

Patrick J. Callahan passed	5.18.2017	(All Saints)
PFN George P. Novac passed	5.31.2017	(All Saints)
Michael J. Schultz passed	11.26.2017	(All Saints)

• Presented to Fr. Kevin Peek, a chalice on January-27-2019.

Fr. Joseph M. Peek passed 3.14.2016 (All Saints) (solitary chalice for a priest)

Awaiting Future Chalices

Awaiting Future Chances				
Msgr. R. Donald Kiernan p	bassed 1/09/2018	(All Saints)	(solitary chalice for a priest)	#1
Edward J. Trainor passed Don L. Myers passed Richard Szyperski passed	12/23/2017 2/17/2018 4/27/2018	(All Saints) (All Saints) (All Saints)	chalice	#2
Fr. Daniel McCormick	4/19/2018	(All Saints)	Approved . Solitary priest chalice	#3
Richard G. Sisko pand others	assed 9/24/2018	(All Saints)	chalice	#4

Note: The Assembly voted to allow Rick Sisko to get a chalice although he was not currently a Member of the Watters Assembly.

Membership Committee—Wulf Lindenau

Wulf thinks we may have two new members in line. Mike Martell of all Saints is interested, but he is becoming a Deacon and his training begins on the same day as the next Fourth Degree Exemplification. We have his paperwork for the next time.

Al Bolet of All Saints is also interested. He is a veteran who was a prisoner of war at the Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba. He would also make an interesting speaker for our group.

Please give all leads to Wulf and he will follow up with them.

Hlad added that Father Kevin Peek wants to transfer to our All Saints Council and the Watters Assembly, so we should have at least one new member soon. He is a fourth degree brother.

Social Committee—Bob Santos

Nick had sent out an email asking for interest in a night at the Atlanta Gladiators Hockey Night game. There was little interest in hockey.

He has been contacting new restaurants in the new Peachtree Corners area to see if we can plan a social dinner there. He recently checked out a new Firebirds Restaurant as a possibility. He also hears that these restaurants are coming: Gray 1720 (two function rooms), Noble Fin (2 function rooms), La Parilla (no function room?), and possibly Marlow's Tavern. He will report next month on possibilities. He will bring menus and then decide on a date. Next month.

Maybe a picnic at St. Andrew is a possibility in the Spring.

He has a minor league baseball game scheduled for May 18th at CoolRay Field against the Pawtucket Red Sox. More info to follow. He will need to know in April how many people will attend, so that he can make reservations at the Home Plate Club there. There is an all-you-can-eat buffet and separate rest room facilities. Last time we went, there was a spectacular fireworks display after the game. Those that went thoroughly enjoyed the outing. We sat right behind home plate. The cost was \$40/person.

Trustee Report - Wulf Lindenau

No report.

Honor Guard Report—Bob Mitchell

Bob Mitchell thanked all those who turned out with almost no notice for the funeral of Catherine Spenser's wakes and funeral. Both were well attend with 20 honor guards at the funeral. Ernie is bringing her body to the family plot in Massachusetts and is not here today. Ernie was very pleased with our large attendance at St. Brigid.

- MLK Day has a combined honor guard at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.
- Saturday Jan. 20th is Pro-Life Mass at All Saints 10:30 Mass. (The chalice presentation was later moved to Jan. 27th from Jan. 20th).
- We intend to have an honor guard at the first Mass for new deacon Hedy Sevilla.
- We will have an honor guard at the dedication of the new MOQ church. The date is still fluid depending upon construction progress. March 17th is the last maybe date.

Unfinished Business—Nick Mattera

FN gave Jon Biasini his official certificate as a fourth degree knight (applause).

New Business—Nick Mattera

Nick mentioned that the next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 1'4th (Valentine's Day). A general discussion among members zeroed in on Feb. 7th as a good alternative and it was agreed upon. Bob Santos will check for an open room at MOQ. (He later got approval at MOQ.)

Bob Webster is transferring out of our Assembly and into the St. Brigid Assembly.

A general discussion was earlier held upon the proper amount to pay for our Assembly dinners. Some put \$5 and some put \$10 into the pot. We often come up short because some do not pay at all. While no exact amount was agreed upon, it was asked that all contribute an amount at least \$5 for food and one or two dollars for a beverage. This should help us to break even. More discussion on this will take place in the future.

Third Degree Reports

Mary Our Queen—Bob Santos

Bob has been unofficially filling in as a representative for this council, since he is a past grand knight and a charity committee member.

The date of the new church completion and dedication by the Archbishop has slipped several times and may do so again. The January 20th date is looking very suspect. The church is largely complete. Landscaping is still needed. Pews are not moved in yet. The relics are not moved in yet. The ambo is still in the current Buffalo church. It is now anticipated to be late February of early March. (Hints of March 17th are floating around.) An honor guard will be anticipated.

They are still doing pancake breakfast events. Their planned Mardi Gras was canceled. They are pushing the Domestic Church Initiative with a church fellowship group that Bob belongs to. Booklets are ordered and the initiative will be co-sponsored for their Columbian Award.

They still lack a District Deputy and a Field Agent. Gary Grabner is filling in as Field Agent.

St. Andrew—Mike Bagnulo

- Supported the Parish Advent Party with cooking and bartending.
- Their Breakfast With Sants was one of their better ones. Over 100 kids met Santa. A new knight played Santa. He liked it so much they signed him up for 5 more years (laughter).
- Council Food Basket Project did very well. They had 70 families served for Thanksgiving and did a similar number for Christmas. Between the two, they gave out about 150 food baskets. They also gave away about 100 baskets of food to a North Fulton charity and Fr. Roy Lee's charity. Even the St. Vincent de Paul organization turned down some food.
- Gary Rominick resigned as Grand Knight for personal issues and Ralph Trujillo is now the Grand Knight of St. Andrew. He is a past high executive with UPS.
- Council is turning its attention to the upcoming Fish Fry events.

All Saints—Lou Hlad

• On Dec. 4th Council Meeting, gave out Knight-of-Month Award to Sir Knight Mike Feeney.

• We held Desserts With Santa Party on morning of Dec 8th. Had 200 kids

take photos with Santa.

• We held our Council Christmas Party that night on Dec. 8th. Had 75 couples attend.

Gave out Knight-of-Year to Sir Knight Gray Plunkett

Gave out Family-of-Year to Sir Knight Bill Driscoll and Debbie.

Gave our 60 year wedding certificate to Brother Bernie Marino and Florence.

Gave out 50 year wedding certificate to Brother Jack DeVeer and Jean.

- Held Monastery Fudge Sale at doors of church two weekends. Made about \$700 for monks.
- Held a Keep Christ in Christmas event in concert with our Fudge Sale.
- Crews of Knights assembled the large outdoor crèche and disassembled it after Christmas.
- Sir Knights Deacon Rick Medina, Sir Knight Father Anthony Eshun, Sir Knight Father Dan Rogaczewski traveled to Enchi, Ghana to dedicate a new Immaculate Heart of Mary Church to which the parish and the knights had donated. Event was featured in the Georgia Bulletin.
- Our December 20th Bingo featured 109 players including two knight
- widows who played gratis.
- Sir Knight John Gannon continues to manage the All Saints Parish monthly Adoration in Our Lady Queen of the Knights Chapel, featuring one-hour prayer shifts throughout the entire night to end abortion on 21st of each month.
- Sponsored a Fifth Sunday Rosary on Dec. 30th after Sunday Mass.
- Our 5 Knight acolyte teams participated in all funerals this month.
- We sent out a 24 page newsletter to all brothers, widows, and select outsiders this month.
- We were deeply engaged in the sad funeral of Catherine Spencer, daughter of Sir Knight Ernie, including honor guards at three wakes and the
- funeral. The council scheduled a later Mass for her.
- We also scheduled a Mass for the 100-year-old father of Stan Wasowski who just passed as well.
- Upcoming:

We sponsor a Knight Homeless Shelter Night downtown this Saturday at the Shrine.

We have a KofC Youth Free Throw Basketball Tournament coming up Jan. 13th.

We are deeply involved in Fish Fry planning with 13 team leaders.

Good of the Order

This running list has been carried from previous meetings. Please send any spelling corrections, additions, or deletions to louhlad@comcast.net for update.

Dennis Caniglia, Andy Diaz, Linda Sperick, Wiley Maloof, Bill Campbell's wife Linda, Mike Smith's daughter Courtney Hertel, Jan Gahalni, Steve Smith, Janet Belinsky, Jessie Blair, George Petrukovich, John Petrukovich, Tom Stump, Ron Collins and wife Jackie, Margaret Plunkett, Mike D'Errico, Tom D'Errico, Lauren Echols, Jim Snoddy, John Barranco, Mary Jo Westbrook, Frank Farrell's wife Jean, Joy Fahey, Peter Leibowitz, Deborah Blair, Mary Cross, Gordon Stintz, Marty Dough, Danny Medina, Dennis Klein, Judy Klein, Don Heiser, Adrian Toolan, Randy Hines, Ted Throne, Olga Waltering, Kathy Harvey, Mary McCallen, Harvey Moskowitz, James Abrose, Ortfeo Trombetta Sr., Stephen Powell, Carolyn Lively, Bill Camden, Abe Kassis, Julie Kassis, Larry Aston, Loren Echols, Bill Driscoll, Tom Hoover, Ernie Spencer's daughter Robin, Lou Hlad's brother Frank and sister Therese., Maria Martin.

Please pray for our country's new leaders that they will lead us in the direction that our Lord asks of us. Please pray for the men and women in the military that are fighting for our freedom and for religious rights for all Christian refugees in the Mid-East.

Please pray for our clergy. Prayers for victims of the recent mass shootings.

Special new prayer additions are:

- Gray Plunkett asked prayers for a priest in Togo who has passed.
- Bob Santos requested recovery prayers for Walt Gauthier's successful hip surgery.
- Bob Mitchell asked prayers for Sister Nancy Dill's brain surgery.
- Joanne Worrell, Erica Hyatt
- Sir Knight Joe Mitchell lost his granddaughter.
- Benny Mastrogiovanni not doing well
- Jerry Cross lost his brother-in-law.
- Ron Collins' surgery
- Kevin Mason surgery
- Joe Cavallaro surgery
- Mike Walker and his wife Kathy
- SK John Shaffer is having open heart surgery.
- Dennis Klein's daughter has had a turndown.
- Stan Wasowski lost his 100-year-old father.
- Ernie Spencer's daughter, Catherine, Passed.
- Liam Flynn, 7-year-old with cancer

Pray for those brothers recently passed:

- Monsignor Donald Kiernan
- Mark Nucera
- James W. "Bill" O'Brien
- Rich Szyperski
- Fr. Dan McCormick
- James McGill.
- James Stockelman of MOQ—stage four cancer passed.

Split the Pot

Abe Kassis won \$35.

Meeting End

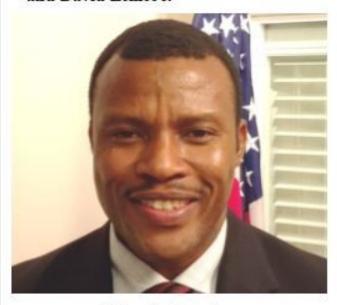
The meeting ended at 8:45 PM.

Watters Has 4 New Sir Knights

On November 10th, a Fourth Degree Exemplification was held at Holy Family Parish in Marietta. Our Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 received four new members to put their membership over 200. Saint Andrew Council provided two new Sir Knights and All Saints did likewise. Here are some photos of the new Sir Knights.



St. Andrew SK members Dennis Klein, new SK Arthur Porter, new SK Jon Biasini, Victor Ojeda, and David Lemcoe.



Two
new All
Saints
4th
Degree
Sir
Knights



Chris Lekan

Vincent Masi

Fr. Peek & Fr. Peek Get a Chalice

On January 27th at All Saints, Sir Knight Nick Mattera and Ed Pierson of the Watters Assembly presented a chalice with the names of Father Joseph Peek and Father Kevin Peek engraved upon it to Father Kevin and Mama Mary Peek.







Mama Mary Peek mother of two priests and a nun.





The entire Peek clan was on hand for the event.



Faithful Navigator Nick Mattera and Chalice Committee 13 Chairman Ed Pierson did the honors for the Watters Assembly.

All Saints Boy Scouts Honor Vets

In last month's newsletter, we featured an article about the St. Andrew Parish Heritage Girl Organization laying wreaths at the Marietta National Cemetery. They were partly financed by our Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly and the girls thanked the Assembly by singing them Christmas carols at their next meeting.

Unbeknown to us, our All Saints Boy Scouts Troop 434 was also there laying wreathes on veteran graves. We are equally proud of our parish youngsters.

Maybe our older brothers will have to admit that this younger generation has more redeeming qualities than they would admit to.





Dunwoody All Saints Boy Scout Troop 434 participated in Wreaths Across America on Dec. 15 at Marietta National Cemetery. Wreaths Across America program coordinates wreath laying ceremonies at veterans graves at more than 1400 locations in the U.S. and abroad. Troop 434 sold more than 400 wreath sponsorships leading up to the cemetery ceremony.

Stan Wasowski Sr. 100, Laid to Rest



In a recent newsletter, we featured the happy 100th birthday party of Stan Wasowski, Sr., father of our Sir Knight Stan who just moved to Florida. Now God has called the elder Stan home. He was an important knight and veteran who got the final ceremonials that he richly deserved.

You will be pleased to know that his assembly in NJ did an honor guard at the wake, and they also did a memorial service of readings after which each knight present came up and individually saluted him. He was buried in his tux with his social baldric, emblem of the order, past Faithful Navigator medal and a KofC rosary. (I gave him mine - so I guess I'll need to get a replacement!) I led the group at the funeral home in a rosary to close the viewing period.

As a member of the US Navy during WW II, the Navy had an honor guard at the cemetery who played taps and then presented the Burial Flag to my sister.

All in all I think he got a good send off.

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Memento Mori, Stan Wasowski, Jr.

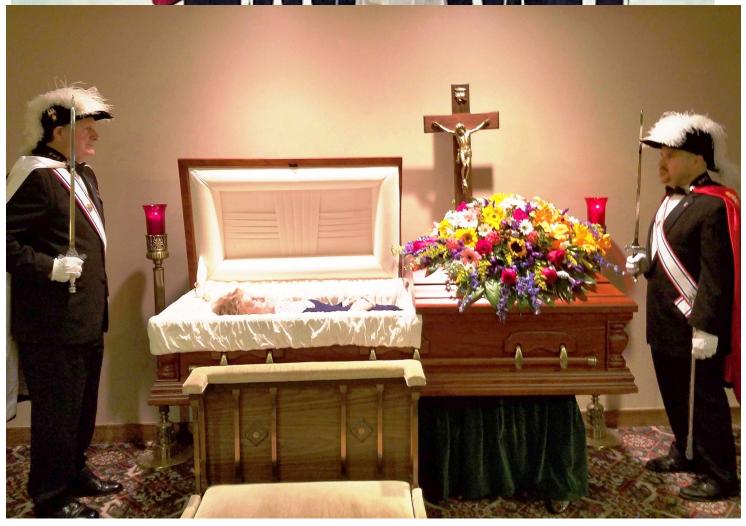
Knight of Month Charles Lynch



Sir Knight Wedding Awards Columb **Doris**

Deacon Hedy Sevilla First Mass





Sir Knights Lou Hlad and Mark Foster stand guard for Catherine Spencer.