

Knights of Columbus Meeting
Fr. Joseph Boylan, Jr. Council #15175
March 5, 2013

The Council was called to order at 7:00 pm with 9 members present.

The roll of officers was called and noted as follows (P – Present; A – Absent):

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| Chaplain (Monsignor Ward) | P | Financial Secretary (Jeff Furler) | A | Inside Guard (Tony McCauley) | A |
| Grand Knight (John Fruin) | P | Treasurer (Tim Abel) | P | Outside Guard (Terry Cochran) | P |
| Deputy Grand Knight (Mark Rayburn) | P | Lecturer (Dan Hunt) | A | Trustee (Jim Woodward) | A |
| Chancellor (Dan Lamboley) | A | Advocate (Jeff Lopez) | P | Trustee (Kevin Cook) | A |
| Recorder (Luke Filosa) | P | Warden (Joe Klingler) | P | Trustee (Roger Nalewajka) | A |

The Opening Prayer was the “Our Father”.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all members present.

The minutes of the February 5, 2013 meeting were sent via email to the membership and provided at the meeting. A quorum of members was not present; therefore, the minutes were not approved from the February meeting and were tabled for action in the April meeting.

The Treasurer Tim Abel reported as follows:

Beginning balance of \$14,314.02 on February 1, 2013:

- Receipts:
 - \$1,040.00 Council Dues
 - \$34.00 Miscellaneous
- Expenses:
 - \$84.07 St. Mary’s School – Bloomington Special Needs program (Tootsie Roll Drive extra to make donation a total of \$500)
 - \$391.35 GK John Fruin reimbursement for 1st degree ceremonials props
 - \$500.00 Bloomington/Normal TEC (Donation)
 - \$23.03 Martin Culik reimbursement for refreshments for the Friday Lenten Men’s Reflection
 - \$237.13 Jeff Furler reimbursement for food/beverages at Knights Open House
 - \$1,000.00 CCHS – Monsignor Jerry Ward Scholarship fund (donation)
 - \$250.00 St. Patrick Church of Merna Youth Ministry (donation)
 - \$100.00 Illinois State KC Charities – General Assistance Fund (donation)
 - \$100.00 Illinois State KC Charities – Pro-Life Fund (donation)
 - \$500.00 Andru O’Brien – Parish Seminarian (donation)- Special Fund of \$380 from the state raffle was exhausted with this payment.
 - \$100.00 Bloomington-Normal Young Catholics (Donation)
 - \$500.00 St. Patrick Church of Merna Society of St. Vincent DePaul (donation)

Available Balance of \$11,602.44

A quorum of members was not present; therefore, the Treasurer’s Report was not approved. Approval is tabled for action in the April meeting.

The following communications were read by GK John Fruin:

- Thank you letter from the St. Patrick Church of Merna Society of St. Vincent DePaul for our donation.

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- Thank you letter from Monsignor Jerry Ward for our donation to the CCHS – Monsignor Jerry Ward Scholarship fund.
- Thank you letter from Joy Allen, Principal at CCHS for our donation to the CCHS – Monsignor Jerry Ward Scholarship fund.

The following committees reported:

- DGK Mark Rayburn went over upcoming events/activities
- Adopt-a-highway will resume on April 16, 2013 – Thank you letter from Monsignor Jerry Ward for our donation to the CCHS – Monsignor Jerry Ward Scholarship fund.
 - Warden Joe Klingler will send additional information out as we get closer to this activity.
 - Friday Lenten Reflections will continue throughout Lent. Event starts with the 7 am mass followed by coffee, juice and donuts and a short reflection by Father Luke.
 - Spring Clean-up of the parish grounds will be on Saturday, April 6, 2013. Brother Knight Joe Denman will send out an email to get volunteers for this activity.
 - Diocese Men's March will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2013.
 - We will not participate this year in the Normal's Sharin of the Green Parade.
 - Upcoming 2nd/3rd degrees will be held in:
 - Peoria on March 10th;
 - Streator on March 23rd;
 - Springfield on April 7th; and
 - Peoria on May 19th

Any 1st degree Knights interested in obtaining their 2nd and 3rd degrees can contact Dan Lambole at email address LAMBOLD@unit5.org.

 - Upcoming 4th degree will be held in
 - Belleville on March 16th; and
 - Lincolnshire on April 13th
- The Open House held on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 was a great success. Thank you to all who were involved in advertising, set up, and attending this event.
- Our first major degree ceremony was held at the parish on March 3, 2013. We had approximately 60 people in attendance at the event. We initiated 13 new 1st degree Knights (6 from our council) and 29 second and third degree. A thank you to all Knights who were involved with this event. Especially Jeff Lopez who organized the event through the parish and the meal after the event.

Under Good of the Order:

- Welcome to the 6 new member of our council – David Blaser, Kent Gorsuch, Ed Larsen, Shawn Long, Dan Seger, and Steve Shippy.
- The council has extra 3rd degree medallions, any 3rd degree member of the council may have a medallion which is distributed under the new 3rd ceremonies by requesting a medallion after a council meeting.
- Checks from the Intellectual Disability Drive will be distributed at the March 19, 2013 social meeting. Recipient organizations will be invited to the meeting and may give a short 2-3 minute presentation.
- State Convention will be held in Lombard on May 3-5. We are allowed 2 delegates, the Grand Knight plus one. If you are interested in attending please contact GK John Fruin.

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- Thank you to Brother Knight Rich Staley who donated a Knights sabre to the council.
- Brother Knight Rich Staley reported:
 - He has visited with Monsignor Jerry regarding the rosary for the unborn children. Our monthly rosary will begin to use this format.
 - Brother Knight Rich Staley also updated the council on a monthly activity he and Brother Knight Randy Knapp will be coordinating at the Juvenile Detention Center in Normal on the first Sunday of every month from 3:00 to 4:30 pm. The activity will involve a short presentation to the residents on various spiritual topics. As Jesus said "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst" Matthew 18:20. Members of the council are invited and encouraged to share in this activity. A completed background check is needed through the Juvenile Detention Center. Help is needed especially the first Sunday in July when Rich will be out of town. If you have interest please contact Rich or Randy.
- The trustees Roger Nalewajka, Kevin Cook, and Jim Woodward will be working on a slate of candidates for next year. The slate will be presented at the first meeting in May and voted on the first meeting in June. Current officers need to contact any of the trustees to let them know if they would like to retain their current position. Also, any others interested in an officer's position should let the trustees know.
- Brother Knight Terry Cochran thanked the council for the prayer and thoughts for Ren's father during his illness and passing.
- Congratulations to Luke Mester and his wife Elizabeth on the birth of their daughter Molly Louise Mester.

Closing Prayer was the St. Michael the Archangel with special intentions welcoming Molly Mester to our council family.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 19, 2013. This is a social meeting all member of the council are invited and encouraged to attend. Meeting will start at 7:00 pm with brief presentations by the organization recipients of the Intellectual Disability Drive followed by fellowship.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Luke Filosa, Recorder