

Knights of Columbus Meeting
Fr. Joseph Boylan, Jr. Council #15175
January 15, 2013

The Council was called to order at 7:00 pm with 17 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) | P | Inside Guard (Tony McCauley) | A |
| Grand Knight (John Fruin) | P | Treasurer (Tim Abel) | A | Outside Guard (Terry Cochran) | A |
| Deputy Grand Knight (Mark Rayburn) | P | Lecturer (Dan Hunt) | P | 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 December 4, 2012 and December 18, 2012 meeting were sent via email to the membership and provided at the meeting. A motion to approve the minutes as submitted was made by Ryan Remkus and 2nd by Dan Hunt. The motion passes by a vote of the members present.

The Grand Knight reported as follows:

- The Trustees have completed the semi-annual council audit report of the council finances and records. All items were deemed to be in order. The mandatory report will be submitted to the Supreme Council.
 - At the beginning of the fiscal year we had 91 members. As of December 31, 2012 we had 98 members. With the December first- degree initiation and recent transfers we currently have 102 members.
- Survey response from council members regarding volunteer efforts in the community had 18 members respond for a total of 1,800 hours and the Council made charitable contributions during the year of \$8,300.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

Beginning balance of \$14,669.69 on December 1, 2012:

- Receipts:
 - \$32.00 Miscellaneous
- Expenses:
 - \$126.25 St. Patrick Church of Merna – tithing from pancake breakfast
 - \$25.21 Jerry Martin reimbursement for refreshments at the first Friday of the month Men’s reflection
 - \$39.27 Dan Hunt reimbursement for snacks/drinks for December 1st degree initiation
 - \$500.00 Birthright of McLean County – donation for renovation.
 - \$250.00 Knights of Columbus Council #574 Local Priest/Religious dinner donation
 - \$94.00 USPS PO Box Fee
- Special Funds held
 - \$380.00 Vocations raffle

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Ending Balance of \$13,286.96

The following communications were read:

- Thank you letter from Birthright of McLean County for our \$500 donation;
- Viewed the 12/23/2012 ad in the Catholic Post our council contributed to;

The following committees reported:

- Programs – Mark Rayburn review the 2013 calendar. Our calendar of events can be found on our website: www.kofc15175.org/
- March 3, 2013 our council will be hosting a major degree. We currently have 40 members who do not have their 2nd and/or 3rd degree. This is a great way to get this done without the need to travel.
 - We will have an information table outside the Shamrock Hall on Sunday, February 3, 2013 to encourage men to consider joining the Knights.
 - We also will be having an Open House on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 to showcase the Knights to the Parish, food and beverages will be provided.
- A short survey will be sent out to the membership via a Survey Monkey survey. Please respond to make your council all you want it to be.
- Jeff Lopez, Mark Rayburn and Joe Klingler developed a budget for charitable giving for our council. The recommendation is in the third column highlighted in yellow below. A miscellaneous line item will also be added to address requests we have not identified at the time of the budget. All funding would still be subject to membership approval during a business meeting. Please plan to attend the February 5, 2013 meeting to discuss.

| Organization | Budget Amount | Contribution Made 7/1 to 12/31/2012 | Recommendation to be distributed in February, 2013 | Total |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Birthright of McLean County | \$500 | \$500 | \$0 | \$500 |
| Bloomington/Normal TEC | \$500 | \$0 | \$500 | \$500 |
| Bloomington/Normal Young Catholics | \$100 | \$0 | \$100 | \$100 |
| CCHS Scholarship | \$1000 | \$0 | \$1000 | \$1000 |
| Easter Seals (St. Patrick Day parade) | \$100 | \$0 | \$0 | Hold |
| Religious Dinner | \$0 | \$250 | \$0 | \$250 |
| Heartland Special Olympics | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | Tootsie Roll |
| Home Sweet Home Ministries | \$0 | \$200 | \$0 | \$200 |
| Miracle League of Central Illinois | \$100 | \$0 | \$0 | Tootsie Roll |
| St. Patrick- Merna Reverse Collection | \$500 | \$250 | \$250 | \$500 |
| St. Vincent DePaul Society | \$500 | \$0 | \$500 | \$500 |
| State KoC – General Assistance Fund | \$100 | \$0 | \$100 | \$100 |
| State KoC – Pro-Life | \$100 | \$0 | \$100 | \$100 |
| State KoC – Vocations | \$300 | \$222 | \$0 | \$222 |
| Vocations – Parish Seminarians | \$1000 | \$200 | \$500 | \$700 |
| Word Among Us – donation | \$100 | \$100 | \$0 | \$100 |
| Total | \$4900 | \$1722 | \$3,050 | \$4772 |

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The Insurance Agent reported as follows:

- The Knights Insurance arm had another growth year the 12th straight growth year, with 88 billion of life insurance in-force.
- Jason Bramley was the number 1 agent in the state of Illinois for the 2nd straight year. Congratulations to Jason!!
- On the Fraternal side there was an increase in members for the year which marks the 8th straight year of growth.

Under Good of the Order:

- Mark your calendar for May 11, 2013 for the Men's March in Peoria.
- Please keep Terry Cochran and family in your thoughts and prayers. Terry's father-in-law passed away today.

Closing Prayer was the Rosary led by Rich Staley.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Luke Filosa, Recorder