

Knights of Columbus Meeting
Fr. Joseph Boylan Jr., Council #15175
December 3, 2013

The Council was called to order at 7:00 pm.

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

Chaplain (Monsignor Ward)	A	Financial Secretary (Jeff Furler)	P	Inside Guard (Ryan Remkus)	P
Grand Knight (Jeff Lopez)	P	Treasurer (Tim Abel)	P	Outside Guard (Terry Cochran)	A
Deputy Grand Knight	-	Lecturer (Martin Culik)	P	Trustee (Kevin Cook)	A
Chancellor (Dan Lamboley)	P	Advocate (John Fruin)	P	Trustee (Roger Nalewajka)	A
Recorder (Luke Filosa)	P	Warden (Joe Klingler)	A	Trustee (Tony McCauley)	P

The Opening Prayer was the “Our Father”.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all members present.

The minutes of the November, 2013 meeting was sent via email to the membership and corrected minutes were provided at the meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Ryan Remkus and 2nd by Tim Abel. The motion passes by a vote of the members present.

The Grand Knight (Jeff Lopez) reported as follows:

- GK Jeff Lopez read a note from Christ Child Society of Central Illinois thanking the Council for the donation.
- GK Jeff Lopez read a reminder from the Illinois State Council Knights of Columbus on the Newman Apostolate. Donations are tax deductible and can be mailed to: Illinois State Council; PO Box 681; Kankakee IL 60901-0681. Indicate “Newman Fund/ Council #15175” on the memo line. Your contribution will offset the Newman allocation back to our council.
- GK Jeff Lopez informed the Council DGK Mark Rayburn has resigned from his position effective immediately.
- Joe Denman informed the GK Lopez he would no longer be able to chair the Spring and Fall Parish clean-up events. The Council is looking for a member to take over this responsibility. Activity for the event include contacting Father Jerry to obtain a list of projects to be completed, determine a date to complete the work, publish the event to the membership, purchase donuts/ juice and make coffee the morning of the events.
- The Council is looking for someone to coordinate the Knights Free-Throw contest. The event must be completed by Sunday, January 23, 2014 to compete in the District Championship. GK Jeff Lopez will visit with the Holy Trinity Elementary Principal in their staff meeting to see if the Council could coordinate with the school on this event.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

Beginning balance of \$19,617.23 on November 1, 2013:

- Receipts
 - \$360.00 Special
 - \$19.00 Miscellaneous
- Expenses:
 - \$969.53 St. Patrick Church of Merna tithing Golf Outing
 - \$146.96 Rich Staley – Christmas gifts McLean County Juvenile Detention Center
 - \$210.00 Illinois State KofC - Vocation raffle
 - \$399.00 CJs – Sausage Links November Pancake Breakfast

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- Special Funds:
 - \$390.00 Vocation Raffle

Available balance is \$17,880.74

A motion to approved the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by John Fruin the motion is 2nd by Rich Staley. The motion passes by a vote of the members present.

The following committees reported:

- Programs –
 - Pancake Breakfast update:
 - Operational standpoint everything went well
 - Served approximately 300 people
 - Final accounting of the event will be provided at the January meeting
 - Notes for the future:
 - Ran out of sugar-free syrup. Need to purchase more in the future.
 - We ended up with extra sausage. Extra was purchased at the end of the event at cost by a few Knights. Difficult to predict the amount needed better to have too much than not enough.
 - Christmas Dinner – Thank you dinner for Knights and their spouse is scheduled for 2nd meeting of December. Food will be ordered from Rosati's with social to begin at 5:30 and dinner at 6:15.
 - Thank you to all who participated in the fall Clean-up.
 - Mass of Remembrance was successful; however, we would like to get a larger turn-out in the future.
 - Knights of Columbus will begin hosting the Rosary at 6:30 pm in the Chapel on the first Tuesday of the month, prior to our business meeting. This will be open to the parish and publicized in the Bulletin. The event will be held on January 7, 2014.

The Chancellor reported:

- First degree this evening our Council initiated 4 new members.
- Mark your calendar for March 30, 2014 as we will host a 2nd and 3rd degree initiation for our members who need to obtain the 2nd and 3rd degree. Our Council will complete a 1st degree as well on March 30.

The following new business was brought up:

- John Fruin presented information regarding contributions to various organizations we have budgeted for in the past.
 - Martin Culik made a motion to accept John's recommendation to contribute the following amounts:
 - \$500 Birthright;
 - \$1000 CCHS – Monsignor Jerry Ward scholarship fund;
 - \$250 St. Patrick Church of Merna Youth Ministry;
 - \$500 Andru O'Brein Seminarian from our parish;
 - \$150 State General Assistance – Illinois Tornado fund

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Dan Lamboley 2nd the motion.

James Stangel amended the motion to increase the State General Assistance – Illinois Tornado fund to \$350. The amended motion is 2nd by Martin Culik. The motion as amended passes by a vote of members present.

- Jim Stangel made a motion to contribute \$200 to the Philippines Disaster Relief fund. The motion is 2nd by Martin Culik. The motion passes by a vote of members present.
- Father Jerry talked with Martin Culik prior to the meeting regarding the Knights hosting a light meal for the group who decorates the church for Christmas on Sunday, December 22, 2013. Luke Filosa made a motion to contribute up to \$200 to fund the cost of a light meal for those who decorate the church. Martin Culik 2nd the motion. Discussion occurred on the subject. The motion passes with a vote of members present with 3 opposing the motion. Subsequent to the meeting Luke Filosa met with Father Jerry and Sister Rita. The group decided a light meal is not necessary but thanked the Knights for their generous offer.

Under Good of the Order:

- Rich Staley thanked the Council for the donation towards gifts to the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center. Rich went to the Center on December 1 and read the Nativity from the Gospel of Luke. It was well received by the residents. GK Jeff Lopez thanked Rich for his work and Leadership on behalf of the Council. Any member who has interest should contact Rich.
- Reverse Collection and Poinsettia Delivery is scheduled for 12/8 at 8 am.
- Annual Parish Bowling hosted by the Family Life Activity Group is on January 5, 2014 from 1 -3 pm at Pheasant Lanes.

Martin Culik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion is 2nd by Rich Staley. The motion passes by a vote of the members present.

Closing Prayer was “Hail Mary”

Respectfully Submitted by,
Luke Filosa, Recorder