

Knights of Columbus Meeting
Fr. Joseph Boylan, Jr. Council #15175
February 4, 2014

The Council was called to order at 7:00 pm with 9 members present. Ten members are needed for a quorum; therefore, no official action was taken during the meeting. Minutes from this meeting are informational.

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

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

The Opening Prayer was the “Our Father”.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all members present.

The minutes of the December 2013 meeting were distributed via email to the membership and provided at the meeting. January 2014 meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

The Grand Knight reported as follows:

- Our council hosted the District meeting in December. There were 10-12 attendees from throughout the Diocese. It was a very informative meeting, good to see first-hand how the district meetings are held.
- The 3 trustee completed the semi-annual audit in January. No concerns were identified. We have recruited 2 new members to our council during this fiscal year and have had a number of transfers into our council. As a reminder, our goal is 12 new members, 1 new member per month/ per council, set by the Supreme council.
- Communications read by the GK:
 - Thank you note from CCHS for our contribution to the Monsignor Jerry Ward Scholarship fund. Joy Allen, Principal at CCHS, added a hand-written note letting the council know CCHS has also established a Scholarship fund in the name of Monsignor Doug Hennessey. Monsignor Hennessey retired in 2013 from Holy Trinity Parish and filled in at our parish while Father Luke was on sabbatical.
 - Thank you note from Kim Hayes, St. Patrick Church of Merna Youth Ministry coordinator for our contribution to the purchase of Poinsettias for those parishioners aged 70 and older.
 - Thank you note from Andru O’Brien, seminarian from our parish and member of our Council, for our contribution.
 - Thank you note from Birthright for our contribution.
- The Grand Knight appointed Guy DiCiaula to fill the Deputy Grand Knight opening.
- James Stangel has volunteered to chair the Spring and Fall Parish grounds clean-up events.
- Reminded the membership that the Illinois State Council is still accepting contributions to the Newman fund. Contributions made by our Council members will offset our Council’s annual assessment for the Newman fund.
- The Knights have offered to help Sister Rita Ann in her move to the Saint Louis area, if needed. Her plans to move are not yet firm. She is still recuperating from foot surgery and would like to stay through the First Communion season. More to come as details are available.

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- Supreme Council has come out with a 1st degree video that may be used in situations where a candidate cannot make the scheduled 1st degree initiations because of conflicts.
- Plans are underway to set-up the 2014 Planning meeting for the Council Officers and any member wishing to attend. A date will be established and communicated soon.
- Our first Christmas Thank You Dinner for Council members and their spouse was very successful. We had approximately 40 attend the event. Evening started with a 45 minutes social followed by a buffet style dinner provided by Rosati's.

The Treasurer report was submitted via email and is as follows:

- Beginning Balance 12/1/2013: \$18,270.74 – ending balance: \$16,103.69
- Beginning Balance 1/1/2014: \$16,103.69 – ending balance: \$15,973.74
 - Detail for December and January are provided in the document 2-14-2014 Minutes – Treasurer Report

The Financial Secretary reported via email:

- 33 members have paid their 2014 dues for a total of \$1,320. Second request notices will be sent at the end of this week. Membership cards to those who have paid their dues will be sent soon.

The following committees reported:

- Program Director – Martin Culik
 - The December minutes indicate the Knights would make a contribution to pay for a light meal for the RCIA group who decorated the church for Christmas. The RCIA group chose not to have this meal; therefore, no contribution was made.
 - January 2nd meeting Bobbi Hynes from St. Joseph Volunteer Services spoke to the council. Council member Buddy Wallace is a volunteer at the Hospital and suggested Bobbi as a speaker. Bobbi reported to Martin that Council member David Blumenshine is now a volunteer as a result of the presentation.
 - Friday, February 7, 2014 is the First Friday Men's Reflection with Father Luke immediately following the 7:00 am mass. Coffee, juice and doughnuts will be provided.
 - February 18, 2014 – 2nd meeting of the month will feature Morgan McFarlane with Students for Life of Illinois at the Newman Center in Champaign. Would be nice to have a nice group to hear this message from Morgan. After the presentation, we will enjoy fellowship with your brother Knights. This is an excellent way to get more involved in your Council.
 - February 13, 2014 the Parish will be hosting a movie night showing the Knights of Columbus produced program "Francis: The Pope From the New World". Start time is 6:30 pm. Father Luke will be available after the program for Q&A. Refreshments will be provided. There will be a limited number of copies of the program available for sale after the event.
- Joe Klingler reported 27 of the 34 spots were filled for the 3rd Pro-Life Rosary Vigil held on Sunday, January 26, 2014. Thanks to all who participated.
- March 2, 2014 will be our Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast for the Parish. Jason Bramley and Dan Lamboley have agreed to co-chair this event. We will use Sign-up Genius again for the event. Links will be sent out shortly so you can sign-up to participate.

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Under Good of the Order:

- John Fruin reported the 2013-2014 Vocation Raffle was held on December 7, 2013. No winners were from our council; however, the Epiphany Council did have a \$100 winner. Prizes of \$20,000 were awarded.
- Our Council will host a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree initiation on Sunday March 30, 2014. Start time is tentatively scheduled for noon. Our obligation is to pay for the travel expense for the 2nd and 3rd degree team and provide lunch to the degree team and a meal for all attendees following the 3rd degree. Luke Filosa and Jason Bramley will coordinate the meals for this event. We have a number of council members with only the 1st degree. This is a great opportunity to complete your 2nd and 3rd degree with limited travel.
- Rich Staley reported on his monthly visit to the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center. For the first time the Rich had to complete two sessions because of the number of juvenile residents wanting to attend the program this month. Topics this month was the parable of the Mustard Seed. The residents were engaging and asked questions of Rich. Any council member interested in participating should contact Rich so the proper background checks can be completed before attending.

Closing Prayer was the "Hail Mary".

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Luke Filosa, Recorder