

MINUTES OF ST. AUGUSTIN K OF C COUNCIL MEETING,
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014

Meeting opened at 7:30 P.M. with Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers Present:

GK Martin
Treasurer Reynolds
Inside Guard Vittetoe
Recorder Harrington

FS Annexstad

Trustees

Anthony Klapp
Eric Lynner

First order of Business

Minutes of Executive Council minutes were approved and received into the Record.

District Deputy report

District Deputy Joseph Herrity began with a date for an upcoming 1st Degree Exemplification to be held on February 17th at Sacred Heart Parish. A 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplification is to be held Feb 23rd in Altoona & a 2nd and 3rd Degree would be held on March 22nd, in Ankeny. Please refer to the particulars of these exemplifications at The State K of C Website. The State Convention is to be held in Downtown Des Moines this year which will provide the opportunity to become a 4th Degree Knight.

Supreme in New Haven is currently working on a video project for a First Degree Exemplification. The details will be forthcoming. A copy is to be forwarded to all Councils in the near future.

The District Deputy then addressed the upcoming "Bishops Blast" recruiting drive for new Knights.

GK Martin to visit with Fr. Hartshorn regarding pulpit announcements and News in the Parish Bulletin pertaining to the recruitment drive.

A "Huddle" was held on Saturday the 11th at St. Francis in West Des Moines. These sessions are being held all over Iowa and are open to ALL Knights. These meetings are an opportunity for a Knight to bring questions, suggestions and opinions to the State Leadership in attendance.

Treasurer Report

Cash on hand.....\$70.00
Checking.....\$7,558.93

Savings\$405.54

Financial Secretary Report

FS Annexstad presented a (Tax year) summary. The Financial Secretary provided the Council a complete summary of financial position as well as membership numbers. His report was presented to this writer and was received and is made a part of these minutes. A hard copy is available upon request.

We welcomed to new Knights to Council 10558 in December, Clark Smith and Roger Jones. Additional membership accounting is available upon request. The Council total of all Knights in 10558 for the year was 96.

A copy of the survey of Fraternal Activity was filed with Supreme in New Haven. Council 10558 gave 1,759 hours of volunteer service. This was also filed into this record.

Charitable Donations for the Year 2013

\$8,897.00 to St. Augustin Parish

\$5,643.00 to Community activities

\$500.00 to Pro Life

\$3,247.00 to youth activities

Deacon Fred Pins Presentation

Our own Deacon Fred Pins gave a marvelous overview of becoming and serving as a Deacon in the Catholic Church.

This writer will make an attempt at giving an over view of this presentation, with a caveat. I would strongly suggest all Knights make an effort to attend the monthly meetings because I cannot do justice to such a fine presentation. That being said, Briefly..... Deacon Pins has been a Knight of Columbus since 1968.

He and his Family have been in our Parish since 1986.

He has served as a Deacon for 16 years, following 4 years of arduous study. The word Deacon means servant.

To spread the Gospel.

To serve at Mass,

And serve the community.

Deacons date back to the time of the Apostles when those twelve chose twelve men of character to serve when called upon.

A Deacon can be a married man, but can only marry once, a Deacon must be at least 35 years of age and as stated before undertake rigorous education in the Faith.

The position of Deacon languished some 1000 years until being reinstated in 1968 by the Second Vatican Council. Thanks to The Reverend Mr.Pins for sharing your story with all of us that evening.

Lenten Fish Fry

The Council is somewhat behind in the planning for this upcoming Lenten Fish Fry(s). GK Martin is working on specifics but cannot shoulder the entire planning of these

events.

Parishioners expect the Fish Frys be held on Friday during Lent and these events are a substantial representation of the annual budget.

Please be prepared to assist with these events as more details are provided.

Officer Elections

The upcoming Fraternal Year is fast approaching and there will be positions in the officer ranks to be filled.

A suggestion was made that each member present call at least one other member and ask them to attend these last few months of meetings to provide insight and assistance in making decisions in regards to next years slate of Officers.

A First Degree Exemplification at St. Augustin is in the planning stages. Currently we have 5 potential recruits.

Please give consideration to men of the parish who should be called to the Knights of Columbus, then proceed to ask them. All men over the age of 18 are eligible.

Knights of Columbus Insurance

GK Martin had an opportunity to visit with our Field Agent and Fellow Knight Steve Tatz. He reminded the Council that Brother Tatz has a myriad of financial instruments as well as expertise in the area of financial planning and we can all avail ourselves of his service. We need 3 new insurance members, please get the word out for Steve.

Service Training

Discussion took place regarding the need for training through the Diocese programs if interested in assisting with any youth activity.

Past GK Hauser asked for and granted funds for deceased enrollment in the Perpetual Memorial Society.

He pointed out that this program has been and continues to be a tremendous resource and is appreciated by those left behind.

Meeting closed with Prayer at 8:45 P.M.

Addendum:

Thanks to Grand Knight Paul Martin for providing Pizza and sodas prior to the business meeting.

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