

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL K of C COUNCIL #4160 MINUTES

BUSINESS MEETING of January 3, 2018

The men of the council gathered at 7:00 PM to say a rosary together.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by GK Dougherty.

The opening ode was omitted. Opening prayers were followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

New members in attendance introduced themselves: Scott Kempf, Jim Seward, Frank Williams, Damien McKelvey, Anthony Mastrone. Welcome!

Roll Call of Officers Excused or Absent: Chaplain Fr. Biedrzycki, Advocate Earl Walton, IG Rich Szczurowski, 1-yr Trustee Mark Majdosz, 2-yr Trustee Steve Mobley.

Chaplain's message (available in its entirety on the web site) – Father Matt's message was about our responsibility as knights to maintain a culture of life even in the face of overwhelming societal pressure, and offered several ways to examine and improve on our own personal efforts in that area.

Minutes of the previous (December) business meeting were accepted as posted on the council web site, no corrections.

Admissions Committee – 8 new members joined our council at the December 17 admissions degree. One new form 100 was read...Matt Decker was nominated for acceptance and the motion carried.

Grand Knight's report – Thank you to all who participated in the December 17 degree. All knights should please fill out and return the fraternal survey. Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Hibernians are holding a raffle for a stay in Ireland – tickets available through Mike Dougherty @ \$25 per ticket. Proceeds to the Bucks County food bank. Wednesday Jan 17 is the council free-throw competition at OLMC gym 6 PM. Please volunteer to help if available.

Treasurer's report – End of Month total assets are \$30,730. See online copy of report at council web site for details of the monthly transactions and how the balance is broken down into the various accounts. Report was accepted as read.

Financial Secretary's report – dues letter for 2018 are out; approximately 47 members have not yet responded; 1 member wishes to become inactive.

Auditor's report – no report.

Trustee report – no report.

Chancellor's report on vocations – no report.

Round table – no report.

Golf committee report – Tom Hendricks requested \$500 check to PineCrest Country Club to reserve Sept 24 2018 for the tournament. Motion was made and carried.

Dance committee report – Bob Farina spoke about the upcoming push for donations of items that can be used for the raffle during the dance, and also urged members to start pushing for ticket sales. He is hoping to double attendance from last year's 124. At that number, the dance raised approximately \$5500. What could we raise at 250 attendees?

Old Business

- Bill Gibbons will be contacting members of the admissions degree team to determine if they wish to continue on the team in the upcoming year. We plan to do an admissions degree once per quarter; next one will be in February at St. Robert Bellarmine.

New business

- Tom Hendricks proposed that we make another \$500 donation to the food bank, and that we purchase the food and deliver food this time instead of money. We chose Saturday Feb 3 from 10 AM – 12 PM for this activity. Tom will make the contacts with the food bank and the grocery store.

Field Agent Report – Tom Hendricks reported that the K of C has enjoyed its 17th year in a row of record growth. He will be (or has been) in touch with all new knights to offer a review of how the K of C can help meet their insurance needs. Tom's contact information is available from the council web site for anyone who wants to speak with him.

District Deputy report – n/a

Good of the order

Sick and/or Suffering Knights.

Brother Knight Jim Dunn – health issues.

Sick and/or suffering family members and friends.

Brother Knight Jim Brennan – prayers for his son / legal issues.

Father Biedrzycki - prayers for his father / medical issues.

Brother Knight Tom Hendricks - prayers for Mary Jo Brennan / liver cancer.

Brother Knight Bill Lahr's son Billy Lahr's teacher's husband's mother.

Brother Knight Noel Pelletier's nephew Skyler Weems / recovery from accident.

Deceased members, family, friends.
Brother Knight Brian Mullane.

Let us also pray for

- victims of abortion, both child and parents
- members of our armed forces who are in harm's way
- the sick, hungry, weak and poor throughout the world
- all who suffer from catastrophic natural events
- victims of oppression
- domestic tranquility

Meeting adjourned at ~8:45 PM after closing prayers.