

**BUSINESS MEETING OF October 2018**

Prior to the meeting, the council gathered at 7PM to say a rosary. Krister Druger gave an overview of Medicate plans and changes. If you would like more information contact her at 215-3564811.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 by GK Bill Lahr. The Warden reported that all present were in possession of a current membership card.

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

**Roll Call of Officers**

A, E or P

<b>GRAND KNIGHT</b>	Bill Lahr	
<b>CHAPLAIN</b>	Rev Matthew Biedrzycki	
<b>DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT</b>	Elmer Crockett	
<b>CHANCELLOR</b>	Rob Hessler	<b>E</b>
<b>RECORDER</b>	Richard Rospond	
<b>FINANCIAL SECRETARY</b>	Charles Nicholson	
<b>TREASURER</b>	Jerry Monagle	
<b>AVOCATE</b>	Earl Walton	<b>E</b>
<b>WARDEN</b>	Gary Driscoll	
<b>INSIDE GUARD</b>	Rich Szczurowski	
<b>INSIDE GUARD</b>	Ken Buckner	
<b>OUTSIDE GUARD</b>	Noel Pelletier	
<b>OUTSIDE GUARD</b>	Patrick Monagle	
<b>TRUSTEE (3 YR)</b>	Mike Dougherty	
<b>TRUSTEE (2 YR)</b>	James Brennan	
<b>TRUSTEE (1 YR)</b>	Steve Mobley	<b>E</b>

MINUTES of previous meeting were accepted and posted on the Council website without corrections

**Chaplains Report:** October is focused on respect for life and the holy rosary. Rev. Biedrzyck discussed Our Lady of Victory. The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, formerly known as Our Lady of Victory and Feast of the Holy Rosary, is a feast day of the Roman Catholic Church, celebrated on 7 October, the anniversary of the decisive victory of the combined fleet of the Holy League of 1571 over the Ottoman navy at the Battle of Lepanto.

**Grand Knights Report:**

**Monsignor Hagan meeting update:** There was a very positive meeting with the Msgr Hagen. He was surprised at the level of CHURCH activities, as opposed to SOCIAL activities. He is now considering a nocturnal 40 hours of devotion due to the Council's promise to have the church covered during the evening hours. The Msgr also expressed an interest in more color guard activities.

**Team Leads:** I would like to discuss the attachment to this email. It is a list of current and proposed initiatives. Many initiatives have a team lead. Thank you!! A few do not. I would like for each Knight to consider being a lead on one initiative. Some are small and simple. Others are more complex. Many initiatives already have many 'workers' and just need a team lead. Please consider volunteering for one. I have also documented a list of 'ideas' I have heard raised over the last 24 months. Many ideas are great ideas. We need to prioritize what we want to accomplish and achieve in 2018/ 2019. I would love to see each Knight be involved in at least one initiative. What a great way to be involved!!

**Bagel / Donut Sale:** raise money for canopy. do it quarterly **APPROVED**

**Recruitment:** We need an initiative lead. Need to set date and get it reserved at both churches.

**Installation in the Holy Scapular:** Being the fact our council is named in devotion to Our Lady of Mt Carmel I have asked Father Matt to assist me in scheduling an Installation of the Holy Scapular for our council. Date to be announced.

**A Council retreat** was discussed, possibly the weekend before Lent.

**Auditors report:** the semi-annual report is in progress

**Treasurer's report:** We began the month of September with \$33,678.33 and ended with \$46,439.75. Most of the activity was from the Golf Outing. Expenses included \$641 for food for Parish Picnic, \$320 for Erie Insurance and \$975 for State Council charities.

**Financial Secretary's report:** none

**Trustee report** - No report

**Chancellor's report** on vocations - No report

## Report of Standing Committees.

**Golf Committee:** Tom Hendricks- Chairman

Tom and the golf committee completed a highly successful golf event. New records were set, attendees had a terrific time, benefactor goals will be met and exceeded. The Net Profit is \$22,254.15. Total receipts = \$42,375.62 minus \$20,121.47 in expenses.

**Dance Committee:** We need a committee Chair!! This meeting requires a volunteer or team of volunteers to lead this committee. There are many committee members ready to help. We need a leader. Please volunteer. We need to start planning now!

**Joe Conklin night:** Team lead - Ken Bucker. Need to form committee to create this new great fundraising initiative.

## Unfinished Business.

**Flag Retirement** - Past Grand Knight / District Deputy, **Mike Dougherty**, has done a fantastic job getting parishioners, businesses, and individuals to turn in their old flags to be properly retired. This was delayed and will be rescheduled.

**StRB 40 hours** - Father Matt gave an update on the successes from St Robert Bellarmine 40 hours.

**OLMC Picnic:** Update on the successes from OLMC picnic. Everyone agreed that the event went very well. The turnout after the 6 PM mass was good.

**Silver Rose Program** - Sept 8<sup>th</sup> the Color Guard received the Silver Rose from Our Lady of Guadeloupe and brought to Our Lady of Mt Carmel. A prayer service was hosted by K of C 4160 for the parish on Sept 9<sup>th</sup>. It is a special pilgrimage of the Silver Rose across the nation to support Pro Life. OLMC was the last stop in Pennsylvania. Our Rose will end in New Haven, CT at Supreme.

**Keep Christ in Christmas Banner- Bill Gibbons:** Motion was passed last meeting to request permission to offer "Keep Christ in Christmas" banners to our parish Pastors for 2018 Christmas.

4x8 banner cost \$150

**Already Approved**

6x12 banner cost \$225

**COALs Books: Bill Gibbons** - 80 books are left

**Coats for Kids** - not discussed

## New Business.

**Knights Retreat:** Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Bill Lahr/ Father Matt - I have asked Father Matt to assist our council in organizing a council retreat. Father Matt gave us an update and it will be in Germantown.

**177 Project - Father Matt:** This is a night of **adoration** and music which will take place at SRB on **11/29/2018 @ 7:00PM**. It'll be high profile welcoming individuals from around the diocese. The 177 Project partners with the KofC nationally. It'd be great to have a strong showing of volunteer support. Any excess needs can be provided by our parishioners, but I know the organizers would prefer as many knights as they can get.

**Saint Social:** Brother Tom Martino has initiated an idea to gather interested knights in a discussion regarding the saints the roles they play in our lives. Tom gave update and is seeking interested participants.

**Admission Degree: Bill Gibbons** - Admission Degree planned for Sunday Nov 18, 2018

**Women's Conference at Shrine** - Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> - 7:30 meet. Mass at 9:00. Bishop to finish at 10:30. We have been asked again to assist the women's conference at the Shrine of Czestochowa as ushers. Ideally, we need 8 to 12 Knights in suits to assist with parking, programs, and directing into the shrine.

**Padre Pio Festival** - A celebration and festival at St Bedes in honor of Saint Padre Pio. If you are interested contact Doc.

**December Charities** - Need committee to reassess and pick up on work committee did previously. (Steve and Stan)

**40 Hours OLMC:** 2 Knights per hour needed during 40 hours.

**Habitat for Humanity:** The next date is Nov. 7

**4<sup>th</sup> Degree Annual Memorial Mass:** Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm - Bill Lahr to update - ABW assembly 1680 will be remember 4 recently deceased Sir knights from our council at the annual memorial mass. All members and their families from OLMC council are invited and encouraged to attend the annual memorial mass. The mass will be held Thursday Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 7:30 pm at St Catherine of Siena Parish 321 Witmer Road Horsham PA 19044. The 4<sup>th</sup> degree leadership will be reaching out to the families via a letter invitation, but if anyone in the council personally knows them please have them extend the invitation also.

The four members who passed away are:

Brian D	Mullane	2674 238	Fraternal	3951 Heather Ln	Doylestown PA	1890 1-56 19	4160	12/12/ 2017			olmc
James S	Dunne	1623 314	Fraternal	335 Colonial Heritage Park	Doylestown PA	1890 1	4160	1/11/2 018	Donna	Dunne	olmc
Michael J	Maloney	4603 510	Fraternal	2190 Red Barn Dr	Furlong PA	1892 5-21 19	4160	2/13/2 018			olmc
Albert L	Daugert	2792 467	Fraternal	273 Fairway Dr	Warminster PA	1897 4-37 97	4160	6/30/2 018	Anne	Daugert	olmc

**Report of the Fourth Degree** - On Nov. 18 there will be a VERY big celebration of St. Patrick Drexel. Both color guard and honor guard are requested with a practice the probably on Nov. 3. The Supreme Knight is rumored to be in attendance.

**Field Agent's Report.** - Tom Hendricks

**District Deputy's Report.** - Mike Dougherty: We can no longer purchase regalia which will be gone next May. The new attire of Blazer, gray pants, beret, etc. will probably cost \$500 with a \$100 reimbursement.

**Good of the Order.** Jessica Finley, Edward Garten, Dave Gabretti, Bob Keebler

The meeting was adjourned 9:00 after closing prayers Sandwiches were served.