

Minutes from the meeting in the First Section of November 3, 2009 are as follows:

The meeting presided by the Grand Knight (Dan Turgeon) was called to order at 8:01 pm. All proper protocols to begin the meeting were followed including the roll call of officers.

**(Below list, do not read as part of the minutes)**

**Grand Knight . . . . . Dan Turgeon, present**  
**Chaplain . . . . . excused**  
**Deputy Grand Knight . . . . Don Wilkinson, present**  
**Chancellor . . . . . Pete Marzluff, present**  
**Recorder . . . . . Dave Lopez, present**  
**Treasurer . . . . . Jim Cella, excused, late**  
**Financial Secretary . . . . . Phil Torey, present**  
**Warden . . . . . Dave Sharp, present**  
**Advocate . . . . . Fidel Rodriguez, excused**  
**Inside Guard . . . . . Paul Armstrong, excused**  
**Outside Guard . . . . . Gerry Rutkowski, present**  
**Outside Guard . . . . . Loui Leitao, present**  
**3 Year Trustee . . . . . Paul Maltagliati, excused**  
**2 Year Trustee . . . . . Johnny Restivo, present**  
**1 Year Trustee . . . . . Tony Vanderbeek, present**  
**Lecturer . . . . . Tom McFarlane, present**

The minutes from the meeting of October 20, 2009 were read to the council members present and approved without any changes at 8:07 pm.

The admissions committee read 1 application for acceptance to the council. The proposal to accept the application was seconded and approved by the council. The Worthy Chancellor reported there are 5 candidates who are committed to attend the first degree exemplification scheduled for November 17.

The Grand Knight thanked PGK Crowder for hosting the Crowder Farm Family picnic. He also announced that PGK , Former District Deputy Al Obuchowski was elected as District Nominator for District 14. GK also reported that at the last District Meeting, the GK from Holy Spirit Council announced Project Manger is expanding. This project was financially supported by our council last year. The funds were used to purchase cribs. This year Project Manger is looking to support the Crisis Pregnancy Center. More details on Project Manger will follow.

The GK announced Brother Crowder as the Knight of the Month. For the Family of the Month the Koszycki family was announced. A late Knight of the Month presentation was presented to Brother Ray Connolly for his outstanding recruitment efforts during the Labor Day Picnic and the recruiting Blitz in October.

No Chaplains report

No Treasures report

No Bills and Communications

No Financial Secretary report

Re: Committee reports

The Worthy Chancellor reported 3 council members participated in last second degree exemplification. A total of 12 Knights from various councils completed the second degree.

Council members present were reminded the distribution of Thanksgiving baskets is scheduled for Nov. 21. A status report on the sign ups for the Christmas Tree sales project was presented. Everyone was reminded to sign up for at least one shift.

Brother Silva reminded council members concerning our obligation to support the First Friday Adoration during the wee hours of the morning. He also reported that Christmas Cards will soon be available for sale after every mass and requested help for this project.

Brother Baker requested more articles for the Mariner newsletter and reported that on Nov. 7 the American Legion was having a flag disposal ceremony. Council members were reminded that after mass on Veterans Day, a Veterans Day brunch would be held at Bryan's Grill. Brother Phil Torrey would be making the key note presentation.

Brother Morales reported on the upcoming spaghetti dinner and the pancake breakfast.

PGK Barone reported that ~~our council~~ Marian Homes Inc. was awarded a \$100,000 grant from the county to be used for the purchase of a second home for Marian Homes Inc. Representatives from the board have met with several banks and all banks have expressed an interest in giving Marian Homes a commercial loan for a second house. The next step is to identify a home to purchase and to make an offer.

#### Old Business:

Brother Silva provided additional information on the Retreat for People Facing Serious Illness. The proposal to support the initiative with a \$2,500 donation was seconded and approved by the council. The donation will be distributed in January 2010.

#### New Business:

A proposal was made to support Farther Merkel at Fairfax Hospital with \$300, a non –budgeted item. Funds are to be used to purchase small Christmas gifts for patients. Proposal was seconded and approved.

A motion was made to release \$500 to NOVA Training center, a budget item. Proposal was seconded and approved.

A motion to release \$950.00 to Lydek Trucking, a budget item for the Christmas Tree project. Seconded and approved.

A motion to release \$21,135 to pay for our Christmas sales project. Seconded and approved

Brother Lee reported on the 4<sup>th</sup> degree. He reminded everyone one two important dates, Nov. 18 assembly meeting and ~~Nov. 18~~, Nov. 19, 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration at the Basilica.

No field agent report.

District Deputy Johnny Restivo reported on recent second degree exemplifications and also announced that PGK was the honoree at the most recent second degree.

For the good of the order PGK Al Obuchowski reminded all council members on the proper protocol for addressing the GK.

The Lecturer reported on the recent council Golf Tournament and the fact that the tournament generated about \$1000 for Marian Homes Inc.

Special prayers for the sick and recently departed in the council were said. Recognition of Past Grand Knights was made before the conclusion of the meeting. The meeting was closed at 9:07 pm.

Minutes prepared by R. David Lopez

Recorder

