



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, ST MARY OF SORROWS COUNCIL # 8600

### FAIRFAX STATION, VIRGINIA

#### Minutes of the December 20, 2011 Business Meeting

The praying of Our Lady's Holy Rosary preceded the meeting. The Business meeting was called to order by Worthy Grand Knight David Sharp at 8:00 PM and was held in Fairfax Station, VA. The Warden vouched that all present were in possession of their current membership card. An opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were recited followed by the roll call of officers.

#### Roll Call of Officers:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present, Excused, Late, Absent</u>
Grand Knight	David C. Sharp	Present
Chaplain	Father Barkett	Excused
Deputy Grand Knight	R. David Lopez	Present
Chancellor	Fidel J. Rodriguez	Excused
Recorder	Gerard S. Rutkowski	Present
Financial Secretary	(Phil) H. Torrey	Present
Treasurer	James J. Cella, PGK	Present
Lecturer	Thomas C. McFarlane	Present
Advocate	Alphonse J Obuchowski, PGK	Present
Warden	Jim P. McHugh	Present
Inside Guard	Christopher D. Brensy	Present
Outside Guard (1)	Steven L. Payne	Present
Outside Guard (2)	James J. Jackson	Present
1 Year Trustee	Paul A. Maltagliati, PGK	Excused
2 Year Trustee	Daniel J. Turgeon, PGK	Excused
3 Year Trustee	Donald R. Wilkinson, PGK	Excused

#### **Chaplain's Reflection:**

No Chaplain's Reflection.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes of the December 6, 2011 meeting were read and approved.

#### **Report of Admissions and Reading of Applications:**

No report.

#### **Worthy Grand Knight's Report:**

1. I thank all the Knights for their hard work in the past month.
2. Thanks for all who came to my Open House this past weekend, it appeared that all had a good time. If you were unable to attend and want to find out what you missed please discuss with one of your brother knights.
3. We are always looking for individual project leads during the year. So if you are wanting to do one thing but not be the Grand Knight there are opportunities for you. Talk to me after the meeting or send me an email and we can have a private discussion.

4. As you may be aware – The holiday season is upon us. With this will come many events and activities with the Council and Church. Remember to keep your eyes on the 2011-2012 Council Calendar.
5. I will only say Thank You all for your support for our “Christmas Tree Sales.” I ask the Christmas Tree team to give us an update during the Program Report portion of the meeting.
6. New Year’s Eve – 31 December starting at 11 PM there will be a Holy Hour at the Historic Church followed by Midnight Mass and then a reception after Mass.
7. January 6 – All night Adoration, sign up on the Council web site.

**Bills and Communications:**

- None.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

- No report.

**Financial Secretary’s Report of Receipts of Meeting**

- No report.

**Auditors & Trustees Report:**

- No report.

**Chancellor’s Vocations Report:**

- No report.

**Committee Reports:**

- Membership Director – Worthy Chancellor Fidel Rodriguez
  - No report.
- Church Director – Brother Tom Silva
  - No report.
- Community Director – Brother Dave Evans
  - 50 Christmas meals were provided to local probation offers for their needed clients.
  - January 14 – Route 123 cleanup scheduled.
  - A coordinator is needed for the April Improve a Home Program.
- Council Director – Brother Joe Scavetti
  - Christmas tree sales grossed over \$50,000 netting approximately \$24,000, better than last year. Thanks to all who enthusiastically helped.
- Family Director – Brother Richard Cardenas
  - Planning to make a sign announcing pancake breakfasts.
- Pro-Life Director – PGK Tony DiGregorio
  - No report.
- Youth Director – Brother Steve Morales
  - Two Scouts were presented the Eagle rank on December 17.

- About 140 attended the Parish's Youth Christmas party.

**Unfinished Business:**

- TEACH Program motion continues to be tabled until January's business meeting.

**New Business:**

- PGK Restivo moved to release \$2,500 for the Council Christmas Party. A budgeted item. Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
- Brother Tom McFarlane moved to release up to \$250 to purchase an appropriate gift on the occasion of the Ordination of Brother Dave Maurer to the Permanent Diaconate. Motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The Ordination will take place on January 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Fourth Degree Report:**

- Christmas Eve Mid-night Mass – Honor Guard has been requested by the Pastor.
- Newly exemplified 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights can get their sword cost reimbursed by the Assembly if they buy their Color Corps Regalia within their year of being a Sir Knight.

**Field Agent Report:**

- No report.

**For the Good of the Order:**

- A guidance councilor and recent graduate from Mountain View High School of Fairfax County made a presentation on the support & programs provided to students.
- The wine was won by Jim Jackson.

**Meeting closed** with prayers for Pope Benedict, Bishop Loverde, clergy, military and departed Brothers and those sick or in distress. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Prepared by Gerard Rutkowski  
Worthy Recorder