



1 Knight's Of Columbus -Trinity Council 313

Knights of Columbus
Trinity Council 313
General Business Meeting
2/20/2020

Attendees:

Ron Moser - Grand Knight GK
Deacon Richard Sewald – Chaplain
Dan Driscoll – District Deputy 61
Mike Toohey- Second Year Trustee
Bernie Stano – Warden
George Gauthier – Inside Guard
Mike Martin – Recorder
Chip Walakovits – Outside Guard
Dennis Blaszkowski -Third Year Trustee
Frank Castellano – Financial Secretary
Kevin Collins – Chancellor

Chaplain's Message/Summary: Deacon Sewald challenged the team to consider the following questions. Do we recognize Jesus at work in our everyday lives? Do we strive to attend to the needs of those who require our help? That's our mission. Do we share our personal time, talents, and treasure with others? Do we love our neighbor as we love ourselves? Strive to see others with the eyes of Jesus, God reveals himself to us constantly.

Meeting Minutes:

GK called meeting to order 7:30 PM initiated opening prayers and pledge of allegiance

Grand Knight Report:

- GK congratulated Frank Castellano for his appointment to the Kolbe Academy board of directors
- GK appointed Chip Walakovits as outside guard
- January general meeting minutes were approved
- GK recognized Kevin Collins for successful Baby bottle campaign Cay Galgon House. Shared write up in AD Times.
- Mike Martin shared fill able PDF form for service updates (form available upon request.)
- George Gauthier asked if all motions will be recorded and documented in the minutes as normal. GK confirmed
- Mike Martin shared Holy Infancy KofC St Patrick's oldies dance info being held on 3/14. advance tickets \$13 at door \$15. Beer, water, soft drinks, snacks and goodies included. Asked for wine/liquor donations for door prizes and volunteers to support the event particularly bar service.
- GK confirmed all proceeds will benefit Holy Infancy Parish
- Dave Long to notify post office we will give up our PO box and utilize ND rectory box as a cost savings measure.

2 Knight's Of Columbus -Trinity Council 313



Membership Director: Josh Slee

- No activity to report

Financial Secretary Report: Frank Castellano

February 2, 2020

- 102 Associate members
 - 71 Insurance
 - 18 Inactive
 - Total 193
 - 8 Honorary Members
 - 50 Honorary Life Time
- Frank and GK Ron will continue to work to remove members who have not paid dues in five years.

Treasure's Report: Dave Long Excused - reported by Frank Castellano

- General checking account \$2,174.45
- 313 checking account \$3,760.47
- Fidelity Money Market \$7,237.07

Trustees Report: Michael Toohey

- Michael thanked council members for their help on packing and distribution of Coal tickets in his absence
- Commented on the true fellowship and spirit of cooperation apparent within the council

Service committees Reports:

Lottery Committee - Chair: Chip Walakovits

- Thanks to Lenny for his dedication and years of service to the program
- February campaign we sold 440...5 short of my goal which is 88% of the tickets
- 3 Non winners so far this month, which saved us \$150 so far
- We had 10 new sellers and looking for 5 additional to lessen the burden
- If all current sellers can find (1) more buyer, 1 more ticket, we will surpass the 90% mark
- Thanks in advance to all the Knights who have supported this program
- Finally, After approximately \$35 in expenses, net gain of nearly \$800

Notre Dame Breakfast Committee - Chair: Kevin Collins

- Mark Sewell stepping down as breakfast coordinator Kevin Collins assuming Chair
- Request for additional volunteers to support service and cleanup
- Encouraged Knights to attend and support also shared menu and times
- Great volunteers hours service opportunity for confirmation participants
- Next Breakfast March 5th

Family Recognition Award – Chair: Michael Martin

- Shared development of Family Recognition Award and key objectives:
- Nominate, select and celebrate families that consistently demonstrate the values and characteristics that embody strong Christian families.



3 Knight's Of Columbus -Trinity Council 313

- Promote a stronger coalition between the parishes that make up our council by including families from each parish.
- Improve our council's ability to integrate within and across our parish communities and schools by embracing more interactive initiatives beyond simply fund raising.
- Employ strategies that facilitate KofC recruitment opportunities across a broader parish demographic. We believe meeting this object is critical to the future of our council.
- Explore creative, progressive programs that generate interest from a traditional and contemporary audience
- Awaiting response to review program with Monsignor Baddick

Rose and Rosary Committee – Chair – Kevin Collins

- adequate stock of roses and rosaries

Coal (Chance Of A Lifetime) Campaign – Chair: Michael Toohey

- Sold 52 books to date equates to approx \$364
- March 1, 2020 first hurdle for early sales incentive (award payment to the state council charities
- Next cut is April 1, 2020
- \$325 a ticket per block vs. \$350
- Potential ROI of \$169 to max incentive

Football Extravaganza Committee - Chair – Kevin Collins

- No current activity

Special Olympics Committee - Chair: Michael Martin

- No current activity

Baby Bottle Committee – Chair – Kevin Collins

- No current activity

Basketball Free Throw Committee - Chair: Angel Rivera Excused – GK Comments:

- First free-throw competition hosted at Notre Dame
- Positive feedback from participants parents
- Participants from CYO, OLPH and one family from Sacred Heart
- Saint Anne's event had four of our athletes who made it to the district level
- One of the four went on to the regional event

New Business: GK Ron Moser asked for ideas from council members on how to create some type of memorial for recently deceased member Brother Shadwick Barry

- Brother Walakovits suggested perhaps contribution to current capital renovations at OLPH get a front window in his name or something similar
- Brother Mike Martin suggested a tree planted in his honor with a name plaque at the base of the tree
- Brother Kevin Collins commented that this is done at his place of employment
- GK Ron asked if he could find out the cost

4 Knight's Of Columbus -Trinity Council 313



4th Degree Report: Dennis Blaszkowski

- Working on a date for Annual Spring Gala Late Spring
- Next 4th degree exemplification May 30th held at New Haven PA with buffet dinner

District Deputy 61 Dan Driscoll Points.

- Prime reason for visiting to share CD showing combined 1st, 2nd and 3rd ceremony 32 minutes long with 6 minute opening comments from Carl Anderson Supreme Knight
- Compile any feedback about new ceremony to GK Ron to forward to District Deputy to forward to State Deputy.
- 2020 State Convention held in Pittsburgh paper work needed by April 1st
- Council can send 2 voting delegates and 2 alternates up to 4 people to convention
- Northeast region State advocate role is available 2 candidates are running. George Snyder and Vegalocos SP?
- NE caucus meeting being held Mar 29th 1pm start to select winning candidate for State Advocate being held at the Queen of The Apostle hall in Avoca Pa.
- Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP) ideal time frame for donations is July or Aug
- Direct donations to seminarians is strictly prohibited. All donations must be directed to Father Ron Butera for distributions. Councils will be suspended for non compliance.
- Special Olympics donations best received by Mar 31 2020
- Prospecting pages brand new page posted on Supreme website for recruiting purposes
- Knights of Columbus news letter available on state web site PAKofc.us

GK solicited prayer offering requests

- GK comment: requested prayers for Steve Esch's sister, Jim Hogue, Dennis Blaszkowski

Deacon Sewald offered closing prayers

Grand Knight Ron Moser meeting adjourned 8:50PM

50/50 Drawing winner: Mike Martin elected to donate winnings back to council

Refreshments served

Viewed CD of new degree consolidation.