

Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2015

Knights of Columbus #12985

- A First Degree Exemplification was conducted at 6:00 pm
- The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm
- Opening prayers were offered by WGK Kodi Schulist
- Number of regular meeting attendees: ~ 37

Roll of Officers was called:

Chaplain: Fr. P. Omogo	P	Financial Sec: B. Snowdin	P	Inside Guard: L. Conard	P
Grand Knight: K. Schulist	P	Treasurer: G. Horn	P	Outside Guard: H. Welsh	A
Deputy GK: J. Duff	P	Lecturer: J. Luttrull	A	Trustee (3 rd Yr): S. Nagengast	P
Chancellor: C. Cumings	P	Advocate: M. Schulist	P	Trustee (2 nd Yr): A. Greiner	P
Recorder: G. Greiner	P	Warden: R. Edgerton	P	Trustee (1 st Yr): M. Cook	P

Regular KC Meeting:

Reading of minutes:

- Excerpts from the March 2015 minutes were read. There were no corrections.

04/19/2015 - Meeting minutes corrections, prior to the scheduled of May 3, 2015

- 1 – During the nomination process, the recorder did not hear the nomination of Tom Bart being delined. Confirmed per Allen Greiner. Corrected.
- 2 – During the nomination C. Grattafiori- accepted nomination for 1st Year Trustee. Procedurally, this should have been a nomination for 3rd Year. Chuck accepted nomination for 3rd Year Trustee per Allen Greiner (4/15/15). Corrected.
- 3 - The recorder misunderstood which family was in need. The family in need is that of Steve and Marjory Erdman per advice from Bill Snowdin 04/18/15. Corrected.

The Grand Knight reported on the following:

- Potential new members:

Candidate	KC Sponsor	Vetted date
Ed Gallitz	Bob Hyatt	12/07/2014
Ruben Llano	Bob Hyatt	12/07/2014
Matt DeYoung	Mike Schulist	02/08/2015
James Perigard Jr.	Mike O'Leary	04/12/2015

Dennis Blankenship	John Duff	04/12/2015
Vince Bonczyk	After RCIA	
Bob Powers	Bob Hyatt	

- Mackinaw Island Convention Delegates – Two 3rd Degree members were selected: Ron Spoelhof and Dave Schmitt. Fr. Peter will not be attending due to his traveling to Rome at that time.
- The May 3rd meeting may be in Room 3, or it may be in the hall due to PMC / Meeting Room construction.
- Brother Jeff Bart’s discussion regarding the Peace Corp School construction fund donation was tabled until our next meeting.
- **The results of the Annual Election balloting was as follows:**
 - This is a mid-cycle election. Allen Greiner led us through the second of three annual election steps. Below is a summary of the officer status and the nomination activity.
 - The 3rd and final step of the elections will take place at our May meeting.

Position	Current Officer	Desire to relinquish?	Willing to continue?	Nominator	Nominee
GK	K. Schulist	No	Yes	-	-
DGK	J. Duff	No	Yes	-	-
FS	B. Snowdin	Yes	Yes	-	-
Chancellor	C. Cumings	No	Yes	-	-
Recorder	G. Greiner	No	Yes	-	-
Treasurer	G. Horn	Yes	Yes	-	-
Advocate	M. Schulist	No	Yes	-	-
Warden	R. Edgerton	No	Yes	-	-
Inside Guard	L. Conard	No	Yes	-	-
Outside Guard	H. Welsh	Unknown	Unknown	T. Cumings	R. Spoelhof
1 st Year Trustee	M. Cook	Term ending	Term ending	C. Cumings	(1) T. Bart - Declined
1 st Year Trustee	M. Cook	Term ending	Term ending	J. Duff	C. Grattafiori
2 nd Year Trustee	A. Greiner	TBD	TBD	-	-

3 rd Year Trustee	S. Nagengast	TBD	TBD	J. Duff	(2) C. Grattafiori-Accepted 3 rd Year. (4/15/15)
Chaplin	Fr. Peter Omogo	Term continues	Term continues	-	-
Lecturer	J. Luttrull	Relinquished	Relinquished	Appointed by GK	-

- Volunteers for the election committee are: M. O’Leary, M. Cook
- DD JR Savoie will conduct the annual election process in May 2015.

The Council conferred the following degrees:

- There was a 1st Degree Exemplification conducted tonight. On behalf of the Our Lady of White Lake Council 12985, congratulations to all of you and welcome.
 - Pat Schiller
 - Jacob dela Cruz
 - Caleb Snowdin
 - Jim Budd
- Mike Shannon has become our newest 3rd Degree member after having attended the major degrees on Saturday March 28th, at Sacred Heart, Muskegon.
- New member transfer – Pete DeJonge, Carlos Castelo.
New member ‘reinstated’ transfer – Don Hopper.
 - Welcome to our council.

The Chaplain reported as follows:

- Fr. Peter thanked the leadership of the Lenten Fish Fry and all those who help make this event possible. People really enjoy the meal that you provide.
- Fr. Peter attended a perpetual adoration meeting recently.
 - We have not had a guest priest here to speak on perpetual adoration for many years.
 - The perpetual adorer’s numbers are down now and 50 more are needed.
 - Consider joining or encouraging a family member to take part.
 - Carl Cumings noted that he has taken part in adoration for several years and he encourages you to simply stop by and try it.

The Treasurer reported:

- Treasurer George Horn has not balanced the check book and did not have a report ready.

The following bills were read and referred: N/A

The following communications were read: N/A

The Financial Secretary’s report:

- It appears we may be one member short regarding achievement of Star Council. Bill will check on this.

Financial Secretary Report – April 1, 2015

Payables: Generated Vouchers \$17,406.22 since last meeting.

Amount	Recipient	Payment / Donation for :
\$ 370.00	Michigan State Council, KofC	Take 5 Proceeds from members through 3/1/2015
\$ 464.00	Michael K. Schulist	Reimburse his payment to B. Karchinski and L. Smith for catering and misc food expense Valentine's Dance
\$ 2,138.39	St. James Catholic Church	Reimburse for Valentine's Dance food expense. 287.50 to youth group
\$ 500.00	Muskegon Pregnancy Services	Annual Donation
\$ 8,733.13	St. James Catholic Church	Donation to pay for fryers, table top warmers and proofer holding unit.
\$ 5,200.50	Ernie Krajewski, III	Proceeds of the 50/50 drawing

Receipts: Deposited Monies: \$ 11,850.00 since last meeting.

From (Source)	Amount	Comment
Dues 2015; Take 5;	70.00	Dues 2015; Take 5 Collections;
Dues 2015; Take 5;	65.00	Dues 2015; Take 5 Collections;
Dues 2015; Take 5; Donation	620.00	2nd Notice Dues and Take 5; Monthly donation from Ron Spring
Dues 2015; Take 5; Donation	345.00	Dues 2015; Take 5 Collections; Extra \$50 donation from Bob Olcese
Cash - 4 additional deposits	10,750.00	Tickets sold to 3/28/15 – 40K Fundraiser

Balance: Knights Books	\$ 8,940.77	(\$4K <u>was</u> moved to Fish Fry Reserve) ☺
K of C Reserve	\$ 961.00	Council Buffer Set Aside
Good Cause / Needy Mbr	\$ 323.00	Donations
40K Fund Raiser	\$ 8549.50	Fund Raiser (2099.50 IRS still to pay)
Financial Sec SSB Acct Balance	\$ 18,774.27	Should be same as Treasurer Balance
Fish Fry Reserve (Money Market)	\$ 14,061.80	Monies in Cert of Deposit from LFF
Total Council SSB Funds	\$ 32,836.07	Total Available Funds

Donations Received:

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FY Member Gain/Loss

- **Current Members:** 137; 136 Act, 1 inact
- **Gains:** 4
- **Losses:** 1

FY2015 Supreme :

	<u>Quota</u>	<u>Current</u>
Total:	9	5
Insur:	3	-1

Other Business:

- **Dues:** 16 members left to pay their 2015 dues.

Miscellaneous: 2nd notices generated 23 more members paying dues. Previous check to SJ parish for \$10,470 for kitchen equipment was voided out and replaced with check for \$8733.13 which equaled cost of 2 gas deep fryers, table top warmers and proofer holding unit.

The Chancellor reported on Vocations: N/A

Report on Programs:

- Fish Fry – JR Savoie and Tom Bart reported that we sold 6,154 meals. That works out to 5.5 meals per minute. We took second place in the popular Fish Fry Contest.
 - There will be a Fish Fry Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, May 16, 2015, at 6:00 pm, for the volunteer workers. A guest ticket will cost \$10.00.
- Blood Drive – Jake Paszkowski reported that the St. Mary of the Woods blood drive was very successful. There was a goal of 33 units and they collected 48. Jake thanked all who volunteered to help.
- Steve Nagengast reported on the 40k Fundraiser. This was the first year for this fund raiser. In all, the fundraiser generated a net of \$6,400 toward our council funds. Thank you to: Steve, Jim Bolger and Bill Bartholomew for all your work on this very successful project.
- Corporate Communion – St. James, May 2nd at the 5:00 pm Mass. 1st through 3rd Degree members should wear their red shirts. 4th Degree members should wear their tuxes with baldrics. (As of 04/13/15 - There will be a KC benefit supper after this Mass, therefore 4th Degree members that will be helping serve or cook at the benefit supper can simply wear their red shirts.)
- There will be Corporate Communion at Our Lady of Assumption on Sunday, August 2, at the 8:30 am.
- George Horn reported that our annual Tootsie Roll Drive for the mentally impaired will take place on the weekend of September 19th. Please keep this weekend open so that you can help with this project.
 - Team Captains should begin lining up their volunteers.
- Mike O’Leary put out a challenge to his fellow Knights, to take Tootsie Rolls to your work seeking donations. He will buy a sweatshirt for whoever beats his record of last year which was \$198.00.

Right to Life: N/A

Trustees Report: N/A

Membership: N/A

Round Table Report: N/A

The following committees reported: N/A

Unfinished business was taken up and disposed of as follows: N/A

The following new business was brought up:

- FS Bill Snowdin noted the following: For many years our council has received an annual donation of \$1,000 from an anonymous KC member, to be used for the Youth Group and seminarians. This agreement was contingent on the council matching this amount. We did not be receiving this donation this year due to extenuating reasons.
 - Bill asked if the council would want to make up for this amount by paying it out of the KC funds.

- A motion was made replace this \$1,000 anonymous donation with KC funds, it was seconded, there was short discussion, and the motion carried.
 - *As this is more than \$500 it will require a second vote at our next meeting.*
- KC Events – at our next meeting we will discuss procedures and documentation regarding our events and the importance of having this documentation. If you lead an event, your input will be needed at our next meeting.
- (3) Marjory Erdman's ~~is aware of a~~ family is in financial need due to their house having unsafe air quality. The bad air quality has caused many health issues for this family. Discussion followed regarding how we could help: a donation or a fundraiser.
 - The tentative plan is to conduct a dinner-fundraiser on Saturday, May 2 after the 5:00 pm Mass. It would likely be a spaghetti dinner. KC members could help with the dinner after Mass (which would be after our Corporate Communion). Bill Snowdin
 - Another fundraiser idea was "GoFundMe" which is 'Crowdfunding & Fundraising Website', that has been very successful in raising money for good causes. Allen Greiner
 - Another idea was to have an auction benefit and evening gala, similar to what was conducted years ago to raise funds for the school. Bill Karchinski
- The Knights Auxiliary is donating \$200 toward flowers for the parish flower gardens. They are asking if the Knights would be willing to match their donation.
 - A motion was made to donate \$200 to the parish flower garden need. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.
- There was discussion, and a motion made, to increase our revenue sharing to the Knights Auxiliary from \$1,000 to \$4,000. This motion was seconded, much discussion followed and due to time constraints, a vote was taken to table this discussion until next meeting. Vote passed to table discussion.
- Steve Nagengast suggested that the council donate \$1,000 to the Samuel Omogo Foundation (SOF) for water wells in Nigeria. A motion was made, it was seconded and the motion passed.
 - *As this is more than \$500 it will require a second vote at our next meeting.*
- Mike O'Leary noted that that there will be a "Dynamo Camp" at Our Lady of Assumption on May 19th.

The Report of the Fourth Degree, Bishop Baraga Michigan District #4 – (Grand Rapids - Saginaw):

DD JR Savoie noted the following:

- Our Lady of White Lake Council 12985 has 28 4th Degree members.
- Upcoming 4th Degree Meetings - with 6:30 socials, 7:00 meeting.:
 - April 28th – Holy Rosary
 - May 26th – at Prince of Peace
 - June 23 - at St. James
- There will be a Family Picnic at St. Thomas this summer.

The District Deputy JR Savoie reported as follows:

- DD JR Savoie noted that if we make Star Council, our council gets back \$4.50 / member.

Our Insurance Agent Joe Tackx reported as follows:

- Joe reiterated that new members can become an insured member for as little as a \$100 annuity, within one year of initiation. After the first year there is a minimum of \$300 for an annuity.
- Life insurance is good through your work, so long as you are still working. Check with your HR department on how your life insurance works once you retire.

Lecturers Report: N/A

Under Good of the Order, (Read at the end of the meeting): We remember and pray for the souls of:

- Fr. Joseph Pettit, Fr. Bob Hart, Fr. Paul Johnson, Fr. Thomas Schiller, Tony Tryban, Jerry Savoie, Carl Molnar, Glen (Buzz) Hulet, Vern Brusseau, Herb Jones, George Owen, Jim Luttrull and Chuck Gregwer (January 13, 2015). May they rest in the peace of Christ.

Additional prayers for:

Bishop Walter Hurley, Fr. Donn Tufts, Fr. Phil Witkowski, Rev. Darrel Kempf. Seminarians: Jegar Fickel, Dan Schumaker and Steven Geerling. Deacon Greg Anderson, John Loss, Chuck Mosley, Ray Reinhold, Butch Conard's wife Patti, Butch Conard, Tim Bays, Tyler Cumings, Bob Olcese, Dave Anderson's wife Niki, , Gary Gheller's wife Karen, Allen Greiner's daughters Sarah and Crystal, Jarrett Savoie, Fred Painter, Larry Painter, Ken Mahoney - whose wife Mary passed away, Denny Flynn, and all Knights and family members in ill-health or in harm's way.

The next scheduled meetings are:

Date	Event	Event	Event	Hospitality
May 3, 2015	Officers Meeting at 5:00 pm <i>[May be in the hall due to construction.]</i>	1st Degree at 6:00 Candidates to arrive no later than 5:30 <i>[May be in the hall due to construction.]</i>	Regular meeting at 7:00 pm <i>[May be in the hall due to construction.]</i>	Ed Christner
June 7, 2015	N/A	1st Degree at 6:00 Candidates to arrive no later than 5:30 (Tentative)	Regular meeting at 7:00 pm	Allen Greiner

Closing prayers were led by Fr. Peter
 The Closing Ode was sung.
 The meeting closed at ~8:45 pm.
 The minutes were recorded by Gary Greiner