

Knights of Columbus

Queenship of Mary

Council 12004

Minutes of Meeting of May 9th, 2017

Meeting was called to order by Grand Knight at 8:00 pm. with a prayer and pledge of allegiance.

Officers Present: Grand Knight Peter Pfister, Deputy Grand Knight Fran O'Connell, Chancellor Tom Schamper, Warden Gary Hyer, Financial Secretary Herm Derks, Trustee Henry Wieck and Recorder Frank Austin. Others excused.

Chaplain's Report: The weekly Gospel message and homily were read. The faith sharing questions were discussed.

Minutes of previous meeting: Minutes of previous business meeting of February 14th were approved as e-mailed.

Admissions: None.

GK's Report:

Several upcoming major activities were noted:

- **Mother's Day (Saturday, May 13th and Sunday, May 14th) carnations. Volunteers needed for each mass.**
- **May 20th AIR 5K run at Mercer County Park- provide food. GK to coordinate.**
- **May 20th- council will provide a certificate for Eagle Scout Nicolaus Stalzer at Court of Honor**
- **Tuesday, May 23rd - social meeting.**
- **Sunday May 28th Parish celebration for new Deacon, Thom Boccellari**
- **Sunday, June 4th- Pentecost- Crosses outside to be taken down.**
- **Sunday, September 17th - Church Picnic.**

Financial Secretary Report :

To review with Treasurer our current balances for upcoming commitments.

Tentatively set aside funds for support for our seminarian - i.e. \$500 donation as

well as \$1,700 for specific Intellectual Disabilities charities. Also for consideration a donation for March of Dimes (see new business).

Founders Day sales of hamburgers and fries was successful- \$953 revenue and \$404 expense leaving a net profit of \$549.

Comedy Night: Bill from Brother Michael Moriello still outstanding (to also include Fish Dinners).

Treasurer's Report: None

Trustee's Report. SP7 Report needs to be completed.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- **Proposal for March of Dimes donation.** DD Scott Williams told us his personal story of his two grandsons and the work of March of Dimes to save premature birth children. This will be considered in regard to other financial commitments and was tabled till next meeting.
- **Specific donations for Intellectual Disability Charities.** As noted we are reviewing our financial commitments. In regard to the charities under consideration, Brother Gary Hyer will take a closer look at ARC of Middlesex, Autism Now, and Alternatives. This item is tabled to our next meeting.
- **Donation for seminarian.** Chancellor Tom Schamper to check with Diocese of Metuchen. This was also tabled to next meeting.
- **Election of Officers for 2017-2019 to be held on June 13th** (three readings of the slate of officers was completed).

Report of 4th Degree

- June 2nd- Third Degree Exemplification in Hightstown
- Flag Day- June 14th- Color Guard will present the flag – Mercer County Park
- Patriotic Dinner is scheduled for June 11th at Mercer Oaks Country Club
- Picnic for Lyons VA Hospital also scheduled for June 4th
- September- "Tank Pull" is being planned.

- December 12th- Next 4th Degree Exemplification at the Crown Plaza in Cherry Hill. If interested in 4th Degree, please contact GK Peter Pfister for info or application. Applications must be approved by mid October, submitted earlier.

District Deputy Report:

- **Proposal to combine purchase of Tootsie Rolls with other councils.** To fulfill the minimum purchase, DD suggested that we may wish to combine our purchase with another council or councils.
- **SP7- Columbian Award-** can be sent in now (due June 30th). Officers Report also due June 30th.
- **Membership Drives.** DD suggested that at our fund raisers we provide pamphlets and possibly form 100s to potential candidates.
- **Next GK meeting is on June 24th.** DD suggested that our new GK attend.
- **Insurance:** As we are celebrating Mother's Day, we should also consider insurance needs for our spouses (life insurance, annuities, disability and Long-term care).

For the good of the order: GK asked if anyone is in need of our prayers.

Noted illnesses: Prayers for Maria del Rio (wife of Brother Gilberto Del Rio), for Rufo Chua suffering from heart problems, and for the Grand Knight of St Cecilia Council #7046 -Ray Wuertz- who recently suffered a major stroke.

Closing. The meeting was closed with prayers. Meeting adjourned at 9:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Recorder: SK Frank Austin

