

Knights of Columbus Assembly #548 Minutes January 20, 2009

Meeting Date was January 20, 2009 at St. Francis Catholic Church.

Business Meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm. 25 members were present.

The Opening Prayer was led by Faithful Friar, **Fr. Connelly**.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Faithful Navigator, **Mark A. Zangs**.

The Role Call of Officers:

Faithful Friar	Fr. Connelly	Present
Faithful Assistant Friar	Fr. William Kulas	Absent
Faithful Navigator	Mark A. Zangs	Present
Faithful Captain	Berry L. Hobbs, Jr.	Present
Faithful Pilot	Jeffrey A. Bagniewski	Present but he arrived late
Faithful Comptroller	James E. Decker	Present
Faithful Purser	Jerome N. Lensing	Present
Faithful Scribe	William W. Brooks Jr.	Present
Faithful Inner Sentinel	Joseph P. Rademacher	Present
Faithful Outer Sentinel	Thomas A. Furr	Present
Faithful Admiral	Arthur N. Mueller	Present
Trustee – One Year	John J. Hunt	Absent
Trustee – Two Year	Michael D. Kleinschmidt	Present
Trustee – Three Year	Robert T. Degnan	Present

Important: The Faithful Scribe has slow fingers on the keyboard so he would like to ask everyone to:

- **PLEASE FOLLOW THE ORDER OF THE MINUTES,**
and
- **SPEAK SLOWLY.**

Minutes for the month of November and December, 2008 were distributed via e-mail, on the Assembly website (www.KofCAsm548.org) and some copies were available at the meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes as posted. The motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote.

Faithful Friar's Report: Fr. Connelly said that he had not much to report. He had a good holiday season. He anoints the elderly where he lives. The elderly seem to be in

good spirits there as they pass their time. This is a wonderful ministry for him and he intends to live there the rest of his life as well.

Faithful Comptroller's Report: Faithful Comptroller **James Decker** reported:

Berry Hobbs Nov. meal expense 11/18/08	\$136.18
Mark Zangs office expense 11/18/08	\$41.88
Mark Zangs delegate exemplification expenses as of 11/18/08	\$250.00
KC insurance premium to KC Council 14145 12/16	\$93.90
Christmas party expense at Michael's 12/16/2008	\$349.96
Mark Zangs office expense 12/22/08	\$34.21
<u>Donation to Channel One 12/22/08</u>	<u>\$95.00</u>
Expenses November through December	\$1,001.13
Nov. meal receipts 11/18/08	\$287.00
Nov. bar receipts 11/18/08	\$31.00
<u>Refund from Channel One 12/22/08</u>	<u>\$95.00</u>
Income November through December	\$413.00

Jim is also working on the 2009 report.

Faithful Purser Report: Faithful Purser **Jerome Lensing** gave his report. The Vanguard Fund had \$8,968.15 on 12/31/2007 and it had \$9,216.88 on 12/31/2008 for a total dividend gain of \$248.73. He reported an initial balance at Eastwood Bank of \$5392.36 on 11/18/2008 and a final balance of \$4918.44 as of 1/20/2009.

Faithful Navigator's Report:

Brief Highlights:

- **Mark** said that he just found out today that **Marge King** had passed away on Sunday. She has been in the hospital a long time. Her funeral is this Thursday at 11 at St. Pius.
- There were 69 Knights in the honor guard at the mass up in Rosemount for the National Guard that was preparing to go to Iraq. Our Honor Guard participated.
- **Mark** said that this Saturday, January 24, is the Renewal of Obligations. Mass at 4 PM. The ceremony follows that and then dinner at Victoria's in the Chianti Room. NO SWORDS! Mark is going to follow up with the Bishops on the NO SWORD policy.
- **Mark** wanted everyone to remember to visit our website regularly. The website is at www.KofCAsm548.org. **Remember, the new Anchor, including meeting dates, meal assignments and meal reservation call lists will only be on the website from now on.** He will email you when the website is updated and it is up to **you** to check out the new information.

If you have any trouble using it or if you have suggestions, please contact Sir Webmaster Bill Brooks (282-3305, Founder@RACEMinn.com). He can help you with any problems you have using our website.

- **Mark** mentioned the Spring Exemplification is in the Northland Inn which is a great place to stay. Contact **Mark** to get a form to register for the Exemplification, or simply go to our website and download it, fill it in and send it in. The form will be on the website within a day.
- **Mark** mentioned the tux sourcing and that is on our website. The shirt isn't right though because it has the wrong collar.
- **Gene Eiden** with **John Tanaka** has suggested that we have a city wide KC dinner dance. He would provide music with his band for a free will donation. Dinner and drinks would be paid to the International Center. The date is to be determined. What do the members think about this? Let **Mark** know what you think.
- **Mark** mentioned that the KC annuities are doing well. So contact our KC Insurance Agent **Jim Mott** if you are interested. Minimal cash is \$300 for older members to get started. New members can start with \$100. These annuities are new with the KCs.
- **Mark** wanted to make sure that everyone knows to send in a change of address to him or to the Faithful Scribe. This has been one of the problems in getting folks to renew—incorrect mailing addresses. We still have a number of incorrect email addresses and that costs the Assembly a lot of money every year as expensive snail mail is used to replace the incorrect email addresses. If you thought that you gave your email address to **Mark**, but you are not getting emails from him or the Webmaster, contact either of them with your correct current email address and you will get much more complete communications from the Assembly.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Charities Committee Report: No report.

Membership Committee Report: No report.

Nomination Committee Report: No report.

Honor Guard Report: **Mike Kleinschmidt** said that the Tuition Scholarship banquet is February 6 and they would like to have an Honor Guard. And we need to meet at 3:15 this coming Saturday at St. Pius in Kennedy Hall for the Renewal.

Rochesterfest Report: No report.

Welfare Committee: Committee Chairman **Al Peterson** said that all 8 infirm Knights from the Visiting List (see website) were presented with a fruit basket over the holidays

and they were all very pleased and happy to think that the Assembly still thought of them. The baskets cost less than \$40 and were very well received.

Flag Committee Report: Art contacted flag suppliers. They recommended polyester flags rather than nylon flags because the polyester fabric was more durable than the nylon fabric. The polyester flags are about \$45 each for a good quality flag. He also talked with **Denny Nigon** about a flag pole and stand for Lourdes. They would like the KCs to contribute toward that. We still need to find out how much will be needed from the construction company.

Admissions Committee Report: No report.

Exemplification Report: Mark covered that in his report.

District Deputy Report: Jeff Bagniewski said that the next Major Degree will be March 22 at Lourdes HS. The next first degree will be at Holy Spirit on February 12. The Tuition Banquet is February 6 at the International Center. Please keep these all in mind.

Trustee Report: No report.

Old Business: No report.

Unfinished Business: Mark said everyone can come to the Renewal. Wear your tux. **Berry** mentioned that 8 or 9 guys didn't make the degree in April. **Berry** would like to have everyone ask men to join. We were at 86 and now we are at 141 after the last Exemplification. We need to get folks in and get them active.

New Business: No report.

New members here for the first time:

- Ray Connelly from Resurrection.
- Ryan Kemmerick from Holy Spirit.
- Ray Bressel from Holy Spirit.

Welcome!!! And the webmaster needs the email addresses of the two Ray's.

Good of the Order:

Pancake breakfast here Sunday. There is Chili Dinner Friday night at Christ the King, by Council 14460. Pax Christ Council is starting a monthly spaghetti dinner on Saturday night.

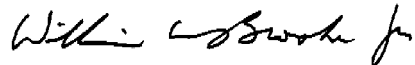
Kate Mesmer would very much like visitors. She is in the Golden Living Center just off the highway near McDonalds.

All of the new and specific items for the good of the order are now listed in the Prayer List on our website, so they will not be repeated here. Please keep all parish priests in the Winona Diocese in your prayers, because they are all overworked. Also, please pray for vocations. Please keep these people and others you know need our prayers in your prayers.

Closing Prayer: The closing prayer was led by Faithful Friar, **Fr. Connelly**.

Meeting Adjourned: at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William C. Swank Jr.", written in black ink.

Faithful Scribe & Webmaster