

**ARCHBISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN COUNCIL #7612
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

March 10, 2010

The Business Meeting was called to order by the Grand Knight at 7:30 p.m. The Grand Knight led the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of officers:

Chaplain Deacon Todd Smith - Present
GK S/K Greg Lynch – Present
DGK Joe Eagle – Present
Chancellor S/K Bill Rooney – Present
Warden Dave Johnston – Present
Financial Secretary PGK S/K Richard Unglesbee – Present
Treasurer S/K Otto Greul – Present
Advocate PGK S/K Steve Ransdell – Present
Lecturer PGK S/K John McCuen – Present
Inside Guard S/K Pat McKenzie – Present
Inside Guard S/K George Snideker – Present
Outside Guard S/K Dan Hundertmark – Absent
Trustee 3 year PGK S/K Tom Greul – Present
Trustee 2 year PGK S/K Chris Ryder – Present
Trustee 1 year PGK S/K Larry Brown – Present
Recorder S/K Ray Miles – Present

The recorder read 1 Form 100 for Tom “Tasch” Otto for membership. The members in attendance voted to approved Tom’s admittance to the order

The Business Meeting was suspended for the conduct of the 1st Degree Exemplification.

The Business Meeting resumed.

Chancellor read a passage from the Bible.

Grand Knight’s report: GK recommended that the members read the Catholic Review this week for the fine article about Brother John Ramming and the Courage Lion Program. The GK introduced and welcomed DGK James Nelson from Our Lady of Grace, Parkville. The newly inducted Brothers introduced themselves.

GK announced the Knight of the Month for January as Brother Mark Tupa and Family of the Month as the Alec Kerr family. Family of the Month for February is the Alex Pacifico family. Knight of the Month for February is Brother Deacon Todd Smith.

Chaplain's Report: Deacon Todd spent a few minutes talking about the reading from this past Sunday. Do we really have the ability to "name" God to a specific position in our world? Or are we humble enough to not put God in a specific position? As a member of an organization such as ours, we run the risk of forgetting how to be charitable to each other. If we are truly Brothers, than we have to remember to be charitable to ourselves, not just to those individuals and activities outside our organization. We must regularly reenergize our hearts with charity to each other. We must search for God continually by nourishing our hearts with charity to and among ourselves. We cannot forget to be charitable to each other. Seek spiritual direction at every opportunity. Find ways to stretch ourselves to envelop God in everything we do.

Deacon Todd recommends reading Peter Creft's (?) books to learn how to deal with moral relativism in today's society. Moral relativism is prevalent and devastating to society. We must be guided by moral, Christian, Catholic principles.

Keep looking for God both as an individual and as a group.

GK Greg asked Brother Peter to introduce the 1st Degree Team members.

GK announced that the nominating committee members are Trustee Brown, FS Unglesbee, and PGK Peter O'Sullivan. Anyone interested in running for any of the council positions should contact one of those 3 Brothers.

Treasurer's Report:

Please see the Council Treasure for details.

Bills and Communications: The Recorder read several communications.

Ed Budelis presented the Council with a US Flag and Certificate Authenticity from the USS Arizona Memorial in Hawai'i.

Recorder read a thank you note from Brother Bob Kolezar for the sympathy and lunch following Eileen Kolezar's funeral.

A thank you note was read from Juan Pablo Flores one of the seminarians supported by the Council.

A thank you note from a woman whose home and belongings were destroyed by fire for the donation from the Council.

Camp Hashawa is looking for summer help at their camp in Westminster for the upcoming summer camps.

Financial Secretary's Report: FS reminded all that a current membership is required for admittance to Council meetings beginning April 1, 2010. FS reported that 28 members will be contacted to determine their intentions to remain members. FS reported that the audit was completed and submitted.

Chancellor's Report: April 15 is the Seminarian's Dinner. The Chancellor announced that the proceeds from the Charity Box tonight will be donated to the Charity Program.

Programs: Youth Director has nothing to report.

Family Director announced Family Movie Night on March 13.

Council Activities:

Concession Stand: Ray reported that about 25 people attended the Aramark TEAM TIPS training on March 3. He also reported that 10 volunteers worked the annual Face Off Lacrosse Classic at M&T Stadium on March 6. Ray reminded the Council of the upcoming baseball concession on April 10 and the Lacrosse event on April 17. .

Church: Peter O’Sullivan thanked the membership for supporting the successful Shrove Tuesday event. Peter also announced the Food for Families Program sponsored by Supreme encouraging local councils to establish an on-going food drive. Sheen Council has been supporting Carroll County Food Sunday. Peter also reported that many members bake casseroles for Our Daily Bread in Baltimore.

Brother Otto announced the Annual St Patrick’s Day Dinner and Dance hosted by the Sheen’s Colleen’s on March 13.

4th Degree: Faithful Navigator John Ramming announced the annual 4th Degree Exemplification on Saturday, March 27 in Frederick. John also announced that the Faithful Navigator Lou Stachowiak is accepting nominations for chair officer elections for the 4th degree.

DGK Joe Eagle explained the awards program to the newly inducted members. DGK encouraged the members to continually recruit new members.

DGK Joe also announced that he has prepared a calendar for the members to take with them.

DGK Joe also reminded those members attending the Annual Convention to submit their application and is looking for help at the Hospitality Room.

Art Auction: Deacon Todd reminded the membership of the Annual Art Auction on April 10 at the Winfield Fire Hall. We need ticket sales.

Home Corp – PGK Tom provided an update on the status of the bathroom renovation. Tom announced the March Madness Party on April 3 here at the Home. Tom also announced next week’s Home Corp meeting will be on Tuesday this month, 7:30 p.m.

Unfinished Business: Peter O’Sullivan announced the annual State Founder’s Day Mass on Sunday, March 21 at St. Andrew’s By the Bay Church in Annapolis. State-wide awards will be awarded at that event. Tickets are \$15 each and includes the reception.

Brother Tom reminded the Council of the motion made in Jan for \$499 donation to the Farm Museum Fireworks program. The motion was seconded. Following discussion, the Council voted to approve (noting that there were 3 abstentions and 6 no votes) the motion with the donation coming from the General Fund.

Brother Alex asked if the Communique' was going to be mailed. GK Lynch stated that, despite some recent problems, the Communique' will be mailed to those wishing to receive a printed copy. GK has a list and the DGK will insure the Communique' is mailed.

Brother Dave Love is attempting to put together a Knights/Squires/Family Breakfast on Sunday, April 18 after the 8:30 Mass. Help is needed.

Sick and Deceased List: The Sick and Deceased List was updated.

Good of the Order: Lecturer John McCuen announced the March Social as a Meet the Candidates Night at 6:30 p.m. with a light meal. The evening will give Brother Knights to meet and talk with the States Warden candidates. The Good of the Order for \$94 was won by Brother John Landry who was not in attendance. Next month's prize will be \$130.

GK led the closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.