



Knights of Columbus
Fourth Degree St. Francis Assembly 2982
December 18, 2012 Meeting

MINUTES

The meeting of the Fourth Degree St. Francis Assembly 2982 was called to order at 7:00 pm by Faithful Navigator David Buick. All possessed current membership card.

Opening Prayer: was prayed

Pledge of Allegiance: was recited

Opening Ode: was sung

Roll Call of Officers:

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| Friar | Rev Fr SK Lawrence Delaney, excused |
| Navigator | SK David Buick, present |
| Captain | SK James Sigmon, present |
| Admiral | SK PFN Robert Nieman, excused |
| Scribe | SK Joseph Ciaramella, excused |
| Comptroller | SK David Raeck, present |
| Purser | SK Gary Brya, excused |
| Pilot | SK PFN Eugene Russell, present |
| Sentinel - Inner | SK James Wilson, absent |
| Sentinel - Outer | SK Frederick Strouse, present |
| One-Year Trustee | SK John Urbain, present |
| Two-Year Trustee | SK James Kurt, present |
| Three-Year Trustee | SK Ed Reed, absent |
| Senior Commander | SK Bill Prince, absent |
| Commander | SK James Kraus, present |

Previous Meeting Minutes: PFN Russell moved, supported by SK Brandell, that the September, October, and November minutes be approved as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Reading of Bills and Communications:

Bills were Read:

- Gene Russell - Stamps for roster book
- Aces Gaming - December 6 – 9, 2012 Millionaire Party

- St. Francis Retreat Center - Evening of Reflection
- Michigan Charitable Gaming Association - 2013 dues.
- Jim Kraus - Assembly flag.

Motion by Faithful Captain Sigmon, supported by Faithful Trustee Kurt to pay the bills.
Motion passed unanimously.

Communications Were Read:

- Supreme Master Dennis Stoddard – Approved resolutions
 - 2011-09 – Six month waiver is no longer required for a Third Degree member in good standing to become a Fourth Degree member.
 - 2011-13 – White dinner jacket may only be worn (as part of the regalia) with the approval of the Supreme Master. If a white jacket is authorized, EVERYONE must be dressed alike.
- December District II Newsletter – michigandistrict2.org.
- November St. Therese Council #10907 Newsletter
- October/November and December/January Fr. Godez Assembly #1509 Newsletters
- Holy Cross Children’s Services, donation request
- Father Larry – thank you for donation for curtains.

Navigator’s Report: SK David Buick

SK Dave reported on a number of events that took place since our last meeting in September.

- Nov 27 – Evening of Reflection, St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt
- Dec 9 – St. Mary Cathedral 100 Anniversary Kick off Mass, Lansing
- Dec 11 – Fr. Godez Christmas Party, Portland K of C Hall, Portland.

SK Dave promoted our upcoming events

- Color Corp Practice - due to holidays, no practice prior to Corporate Communion
- Dec 30 – Corporate Communion, 8:30 Mass, St. Jude’s, DeWitt.
- Jan 6 – Corporate Communion, St Therese, Lansing – Chris Hansen said they would not be holding one this month.
- Jan 12 – Clergy Night – St. Jude’s, DeWitt
- Jan 15 – Assembly Meeting, 7:00 PM, St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt
- Jan 19 – District II Meeting, 10:00 AM, Our Lady of Fatima, Michigan Center
- Feb 9 – Admiral’s Ball, TBD, IHM, Lansing
- Feb 24 – Major Degree, 2:00 PM, St. Martha’s, Okemos

Color Corp – need more members

- Tux available (Buick and Bill Reed)
- Cape available
- Regalia Fund

Recruitment

- Recruiting was discussed – all Sir Knights were encouraged to assist in recruiting new Sir Knights. A list of potential recruits was reviewed.
- Recruiting 1st Degree members for the February Major Degree was discussed.
- Also noted was the Exemplification at the Lexington Hotel & St Gerard Parish on April 6th.

Web site – www.dewittkofc.com. Is up and running, although we are still working on content.

Assembly Roster Book – See FP Gene Russell if you have not received your book.

New Sir Knight – new Sir Knight Bob Schroeder was introduced and presented his Exemplification certificate and class picture.

Spring Exemplification – April 5 and 6

- Lexington Hotel/St. Gerard's, Lansing
- Members encouraged to make hotel reservations early
- We are also encouraged to sell ads for the souvenir book. We are looking for help with this. SK who sells the most ads in the District by the January District meeting will win 4 tickets to the MSU/Lugnuts game.

Please remember - Officers meetings are held ½ hour before Council Meetings.

Report of the Faithful Comptroller:

- Total Membership: 89
- Honorary Members: 15
- Paid Members 74
- Unpaid Members: 1

Report of the Faithful Purser (FN Buick provided, based on CB balances):

- Checking Account Balance:
- Savings Account Balance:

Report of Committees:

- Evening of Reflection at St Francis. There were 80 attendees, including District Master Walrath and Lady Vicki. Costs included St. Francis Retreat Center for the dinner and a card and cash honorarium for Fr. Larry.
- Millionaire Party -- Dec 6th through 9th.
- 2013 Dates (all with Council)
 - June 17 – 19
 - July 1 – 3
 - August 29 – September 1
 - October 31 – November 3

Reading of Applications –None

Balloting for Membership – None

Unfinished Business.

- Patriotic/Veterans Project – the breakfast was well attended, about 75 attended. Video is available on the District web site. Still waiting on the bill Faithful Purser Brya.
- Carry Flag Order – Faithful Commander Kraus said the Assembly flag was completed and supposed to be delivered today. He is working on ordering the American Flag, poles, and harness holsters.
- Trailer Insurance – FN Buick has not had time to work on this.

New Business.

- Motion by Faithful Commander Kraus, seconded by Faithful Trustee Kurt to purchase full page ads for both the Assembly and Retreat Center in the Spring Exemplification Souvenir Book. Motion passed unanimously.

Report of the Third Degree.

- FC/DGK – discussed upcoming Football banquet (January 7), Clergy Night (January 12) and recruitment.

Good of the Order.

- People Sick and in Distress: Fr. Larry Delaney; Fr. Stanley Czanota; Fr. Bill Luggner; Fr. Frank Williams; David and Paula Buick; Brad Balderson; Ruth Vanderwier; Jeff Mysinger, Lady Diane, and mother Delores; Joe Ciaramella; Bev Bondale, Faithful Outer Sentinel Fred Strouse and Lady Pat, Faithful Purser Gary Brya, District 2 Senior Marshall Emeritus Mark Currie, Dave Bourdoui, Chris Mangiapane, Fred Schamer, Lady Jan Mallison, unborn baby Brandon Clark, Phil Thelen, Colleen Wisener, Pat McCracken, Dan Thelen, Lady Kathy Wilson, Mary Arbanas, Dan Nieman, the unborn, members of the military, and the intentions of the prayer line;
- Repose of the Souls of Barbie (from adult foster care) and the victims of the school shooting in Connecticut.
- Chris Thelen considering entering the seminary;
- Scott Rokely who are studying to be deacons;
- Staff Sgt. Elect Joey Ciaramella (Stationed in Korea)

Closing Ceremonies

Closing Prayer: was prayed

Closing Ode: was sung

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 pm

Next Meeting – January 15, 7 pm. We will be meeting at St. Francis Retreat Center