

K of C Meeting Minutes for St. Thomas More Council 7121, Nov. 21, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7 :00 p.m. by the Grand Knight Bill Remy.

A quorum of members was determined present (18 members) by the Chancellor.

The opening prayer was offered, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll of officers (P=present, X=excused, A=absent):

— P Grand Knight – Br. Bill Remy —	
— X Chaplain – Rev Fr Timothy Lindenfesler	— P Advocate – Br. Bob Wesselman
— X DGK – Br. Brian Foy	— P Warden – Br. Alex Stamatelos
— P Chancellor – Br. Tom Mina	— P Outside Guard – Br. Kevin Monroe
— P Recorder – Br. Rick Cozby	— X Inside Guard – Br. Tommy Murphy
— P Financial Secretary – Br. Dave Look	— P Trustees – Br. Tom Kelly (1 year)
— P Treasurer – Br. Greg Meese	— X Br. Fred Hernandez (2 year)
— P Lecturer – Br. John Alexander	— P Br. Chuck Nitsch (3 year)

Dignitaries/visitors/new members: Dennis Tucker and Bob Kalinoski.

The minutes from the Oct. 24 business meeting were approved as read.

Membership/Admissions/Initiations:

The Grand Knight welcomed our newest Second-Degree Brothers, Pat Petrick and Louis Laguardia who took their Formation Degree at St. Johns River Co. 10580 on Nov. 7.

We have candidates Dean Cox and Allen Cole awaiting their First Degree, which will be held in the St. Joseph Room, Thurs Dec 12. Degree team members should arrive at 5:30, candidates at 6 pm. The degree ceremony starts at 6:30 pm. District Deputy Bob Grimaldi will be attending.

The GK asked for volunteers to participate in and attend the ceremony.

Grand Knight's Report:

- The GK thanked the members who participated in the recent Sunday Breakfast, the Memorial Mass, the Football Fest and the rosary this evening.
- He also noted that the next business meeting will be held early, on Dec 19th, to account for the Christmas holiday.

FINANCIAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: With interest income of \$5.15, the balance in the Fr. Seamus fund is \$9389.77. The general fund began the month with \$3983.55. Income was \$1593.96; expenses were \$1638.00, leaving a balance of \$3939.51. A copy of the treasurer's report is attached.

Reading of Bills and Communications: A thank you letter was received from St. Gerard House for the \$159 donation from the State Respect Life Convention. Denise Pressley sent a thank you note for the rosaries donated to the RCIA candidates and we also received thank you notes for support of the parish's 25th anniversary celebration and for support from our recent food drive.

Financial Secretary's Report: Membership remains at 140. An Honorary Life Membership card was received for Bill Boozang, and Honorary Membership was granted to John Alexander.

Trustees Report: None.

Chancellor's Report on Vocations: Tom Mina introduced himself as the new chancellor. He also noted that Mary Bronwyn Milar is a deserving member of Anastasia Catholic Church, who is a single mother of 2 daughters, one of which serves as an altar server. Mary is a nurse at the North Florida Cancer Center where she has treated several parishioners, at least one Brother Knight, as well as countless patients in outstanding fashion. Mary needs a new car and has been nominated for the Beaver Toyota WOW Heroes. If selected, she will receive a new car for 2 years lease free. All it will take to keep her in the lead in the nurse category is to go to the designated website and vote for Mary.

SERVICE PROGRAMS and COMMITTEES:

Social: Fall Family Football Fest income was \$595 + generous in-kind donations by several Brothers; expenses were \$481.86, with a net profit \$13.14 that was forwarded to the treasurer.

Bar Report: Gross income from the VanRysdam Family and Friends concert was \$283. Future concerts in Celebration Hall include the Ben Rosenblum Jazz Trio on Jan 18 and the Paul Brock Irish Band on Mar 1.

Second Sunday Breakfast: Held on Nov. 10, served nearly 100 breakfasts, free to veterans and children. Income was \$340, expenses were \$60.93, with a net profit \$279.07 which was forwarded to the treasurer. The next breakfast is Dec. 8. Clean-up help is needed; volunteers should arrive at 9:45 am.

Food Drive Report: The Nov 16-17 food drive collected 1450 lbs. of food and \$2980 in cash, checks, and gift cards, which is much more than double the average \$1200 in donations. The next drive, on Jan 18-19, will emphasize monetary donations.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The GK reported that 13 large and 16 small "Keep Christ in Christmas" signs were ordered and will arrive on Nov 30th. We have also sold over 20 magnets and have received over \$50 in donations.
- Alex Stamatelos reported that we received a small profit from the Memorial Mass breakfast and we also received a thank you note from one of the widows in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Dave Look noted the recent heroic act of one of our members, Ryan Sidlovsky, who made the front page of the St. Augustine Record recently for rescuing a woman who had driven her car into a pond on Mizell Road. His quick action and competent use of special tools very likely saved her life. In recognition of this act of selfless service, Dave nominated Ryan to be the council's Knight of the Quarter and all agreed.
- Dave Look reported that signatures on the Vystar council accounts are being changed to reflect the current officer roster.
- Dave also noted that the new parish kitchen policy now prohibits provisioning of food, coffee, juice, tableware and supplies to any non-parish-run event. All parish supplies are now locked up in the Admin Bldg. All groups must provide all their own supplies, kitchen utensils, serving items, etc. This required us to purchase some new equipment for KofC breakfasts and social dinners. The council has been given exclusive use of the

old storeroom in the Community Center to store our equipment and supplies. Tom Kelly intends to discuss this policy with church officials.

- The 12 Knights of Christmas party is Sat Dec 14. Doors open at 5 pm, dinner served 6 pm, raffle and door prize drawing at 7 pm. Need volunteers to sell tickets to parishioners on Dec 1 and Dec 8 weekends.
- The Fr. Seamus Scholarship Dinner is scheduled for Jan 24th. We need someone to take the overall lead for this event; alternatively, the GK for ask for help in specific areas.

FOURTH DEGREE: PFN John Alexander requested revisiting the tabled motion that Co. 7121 contribute up to \$300 as a subsidy to any Co. 7121 Color Guard member who wishes to upgrade to the new beret-style regalia. He noted that the total cost of the regalia has been reduced from \$500 to \$441. After some discussion, the council voted to authorize a \$100 reimbursement to any 4th degree member of Co. 7121 who wishes to purchase the new regalia and participate in color guard activities.

FRATERNAL AGENT:

DISTRICT DEPUTY:

GOOD OF THE ORDER/Welfare &/or Distress: Request was made to support Mary Pilar in prayer. Also, Nancy Alexander Dupont is now cancer free. Additional prayers were requested for Paul Doran, Greg Meese, Tom Drygas and Joe MacDonald.

The closing prayer and ode were led by the GK. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Submitted by: Rick Cozby

Approved by the members on Dec. 19, 2019 per the Grand Knight.

Attested by *Rick Cozby*, Recorder

Council 7121 Treasurer's Report

October 24 -- November 21			
Father Seamus O'Flynn Scholarship Fund Savings Account			
Membership Savings Account		\$ 5.00	
Father Seamus O'Flynn Scholarship Fund Money Market Account		\$9,384.59	(corrected)
Interest 10/31		\$5.15	
Balance		\$9,389.77	
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Council 7121 Checking Account			
Balance as of 11-01-2019		\$3,983.55	(corrected)
Deposits			
Seasonal Silhouette Sales		\$1,030.00	
Family Football Fest		\$113.14	
Second Sunday Breakfast Profits		\$34.82	
Raffle Ticket Sales		\$132.00	
Dues		\$100.00	
Dues		\$25.00	
Proceeds Respect Life Conference Bar Sales		\$159.00	
			\$ 1,593.96
Expences			
Bill Remy - Seasonal Silhouettes		\$180.00	
Seasonal Silhouttes		\$1,030.00	
Alter Server Awards		\$245.00	
Alex Stamatelos - Widows and Guests Breakfast Marschn Creek		\$183.00	
			\$1,638.00
Balance as of 11-21-2019		\$3,939.51	