

## Minutes for February 5,



## 2009 Council Meeting

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Worthy Grand Knight Danny Garcia at 7:30 PM.
2. **Warden's Report:** The chamber was verified secure.
3. **Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance:** One decade of the Rosary was said in memory of Br. Gene Wegner. The GK Danny Garcia led the council in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Role Call of Officers:** All officers were present or accounted for.
5. **Reading of the Previous Minutes:** The reading of previous meeting minutes was dispensed.
6. **Report of Admission Committee:** None.
7. **Grand Knight's Report:**  
GK Danny Garcia reported
  - a. Membership Dues for 2009 are now past due.
  - b. Br. Chris Green purchased a CPR. A \$100 donation was received.
  - c. Br. Dan Mellen organized the 'Super-Bowl' pork butt sale. The gross income was \$1,950 and the net profit was \$1,100.

GK Danny Garcia presented awards:

- a. Ben Butler – Knight of the month (Feb)
- b. Ron and Betty Belz – Family of the month (Feb)
- c. Br. Chris Green – Certificate of Appreciation for the Basketball Free throw competition.
- d. Br. Chuck Muller – Certificate of Appreciation for the Madison Street festival.
- e. Br. Dan Lapham – Certificate of Appreciation for contributions from Driving 2000.
- f. Special recognition to our Dedicated Knights for 'Years of Commitment and Service':

<b>Years</b>	<b>Br. Knight</b>
54	Francis Murphy
51	Gerardus Hunschrod
50	John Brol
47	Matt Crane
45	Skip Grafanini
40	Juan Benjamin
24	Gene Wegner
20	Bill Moeller
20	Pat Kallus
19	Tom Hart
19	John Horch
19	Joe Morton

8. **Chaplain's Report:** None.
9. **Treasurer's Report:** Br. Tom Hart provided written reports for the months ending January 2009.

10. **Financial Secretary's Report:** Br. Ron Belz presented the 'Council status report'.
- a. In 2008, we had 256 members on the books (125 associate members, 131 insurance members). So far in 2009, we have 90 members paid (77 dues received, 13 dues waived) and 179 unpaid, for a total of 269.
  - b. The semi-annual audit report was filed. We had \$17,000 at the end of December 2008. Today we have total assets of \$ 18,608.51
11. **Report of Program Committees:**
- a. Church (Ben Butler) and Community (John Phillip): Fr. Phil O'Kennedy has approved the newly designed book holders for the church pews. The plan is to fix stained oak slats on each shelf. Total cost of the project ~\$300. Volunteers were needed for the following sequence of events:
    - Br. Joe Morton will drill the holes.
    - Feb 21<sup>st</sup>, the slats will be stained.
    - Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, the slats will be installed between 11:00am to 3:00pm.
  - b. Council (Dan Mellen): None
  - c. Family (John Beck): None
  - d. Youth (Chris Green): Council BB Free throw competition was held on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The District event is on March 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - e. Membership (Frank Herring): None.
12. **Report of Standing Committees**
- a. Bylaws Committee (Chuck Wesolowski): Three resolutions were submitted to amend the By-Laws of Council 10232
    1. A move to amend the annual dues by replacing \$35 with \$40 (Article II, section 3)
    2. A move to amend the start of the business meeting by replacing 7:45 with 7:30, and inserting "unless the council, by vote at the previous meeting, should fix a different time" after "in Council Chambers" (Article III, section 1)
    3. A move to strike the Finance Committee as a stand-alone Committee (Article VI, section 5); to strike the Facilities Fund as a budget line item (Article VII, section 4)These motions will be discussed in the next meeting as Unfinished Business.
  - b. Finance Committee (Ron Belz): The Committee met and proposed
    1. The increase in annual dues from \$35 to \$40, in lieu of the new state assessment
    2. Pool all CDs and Mutual Funds into one Money market Fund. In addition reducing 5 accounts down to 3 accounts (General, ID drive, Charity)
13. **Unfinished Business:** None
14. **New Business:** None
15. **Field Agent's Report:** None
16. **District Deputy's Report:** Br. Schultz announced:
- a. The State Annual convention is on April 24-26<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton in Birmingham. Forms are posted on website for registration packages. The focus on this year's convention is to shorten the time for meeting sessions and roll calls, by creating small working teams.
  - b. Basketball Free throw championship
    - March 1<sup>st</sup> – District at St. John's School gymnasium.
    - March 21<sup>st</sup> – State in Montgomery.
  - c. Regional meeting on Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at Council 4080.
  - d. Degree exemplifications
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> degree on March 8<sup>th</sup> at Council 4080.
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> degree on March 28<sup>th</sup> at Council 4080.

**17. Faithful Navigator's Report:**

- a. An Honor Guard was present for Catholic Schools Week and for Bishop Baker's Mass.
- b. An Honor Guard was present at Br. Gene Wegner's funeral.
- c. 4<sup>th</sup> degree initiation at OLV Parish in Birmingham on February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 (1-6 PM). A Form-4 needs to be filled out and dues will be waived for the new members.
- d. Next Blood Drive was February 21<sup>st</sup>, 9:30-2:30
- e. Bunco planned for the coming Sunday Feb 8<sup>th</sup>.

18. **Lecturer's Report:** This month's speaker is Dr. McGee from Clearview Cancer Institute

**19. Prayers**

Besides the current list, the council members requested prayers for the burdens of the following persons: Dan Frische, Mark Richards, Terri Burton, Francis Murphy and the soul of Gene Wagner.

**20. Announcements:**

- a. Lenten Meals will start on the Friday after Ash Wednesday in the Church basement. GK Danny Garcia was putting together a menu.
- b. Draw Down ticket was purchased by the Council to support the School's fund raising activities. The ticket was won by Br. Joe Morton in a small raffle conducted during the business meeting.

**21. Closing Prayer**

WGK Danny Garcia adjourned the meeting at **8:30 PM**