

Knights of Columbus – Montgomery Council #2323
Minutes of March 2, 2010 Business Meeting and First Degree

Called to order at 8:00 pm by Grand Knight, Chris Dierken

Roll of Officers called. All were present, or had excused absences.

There were two applications for new membership and one application for readmission:
Ephraim Mbonu, St. Martin's Parish, sponsored by Russell Kennedy
Fr. Willie Jones Dugusin, St. Mary's Parish, sponsored by John Durbin
Timothy Moses (readmission), St. Francis Parish, sponsored by Mike Thomas

All were voted in by voice vote.

The First Degree was held next with the following candidates obtaining the First Degree:
Ephraim Mbonu, Michael Jayner, Joseph McCallion, and Evan Arrindell.

The regular meeting continued after the First Degree.

Grand Knight's report – No report.

Treasurer's report – Checking account balance as of February 18 was \$12,572.38.

Financial Secretary's Report –
Receipts: \$2,845.35. Major item was proceeds from the Spaghetti Dinner of \$2,750.35.
Disbursements: \$2,750.35. Donation of Spaghetti Dinner proceeds to St. Francis Parish
for the Medical Mission to Haiti.

Communications – None

Chancellor's report on vocations – No report due to his excused absence.

Trustees report – No report.

Committee reports:

1 – Mike Thomas reported on the Spaghetti Dinner. 230 attendees. Proceeds reported
above in Financial Secretary's report.

Unfinished business – None

New business – John Leighton acknowledged the work of the Building Committee on
hall renovations. Guy Bevan and David Ball mentioned the upcoming Lenten Fish Fries
(first one this Friday at Hershey's Restaurant in Gaithersburg). Hershey's will donate
about 10% of proceeds to Council if you mention you are from the Council.

Fraternal Benefits Advisor Report –

- 1- Welcomed the new Knights.
- 2- Thanked Deacon Datovech for the end of life presentation.

District Deputy Report –

- 1 – Congratulated the four new Knights and urged them to get active in their councils.
- 2 – Announced a Second degree this Saturday at 2:00. Candidates report at 1:30. Needs six volunteers to assist. Report at 1:00
- 3 – Explained the requirements for the Shining Knight Award to the new Knights – attend three service programs, attend three meetings, obtain Third degree, meet with Financial Benefits Advisor, and recruit one new member. All of these must be done within your first year.
- 4 – Jack Giacalone reported on the Fourth degree exemplification. It's Sunday, April 18 at University of Maryland. Russell Kennedy and Michael Cox are candidates from the Council.
- 5 – John reported the results of competitions at the Winter Special Olympics. His daughter Jill won three medals in the Snowshoe competition – Gold in 400 meters and Silver in 200 and 100 meters. Congratulations Jill.

The Grand Knight pinch hit for the Lecturer to present the program for the good of the order.

Associate Chaplain's summation –

He also welcomed and congratulated the new Knights and told them that Knights of Columbus is about living and demonstrating the faith. He mentioned that since his talk about care at the end of life he has personally experienced it. His mother is presently ill and has been in intensive care. He also mentioned that the time of Lent is a good time to do a personal inner reflection and covered the gospel this Sunday about the women at the well.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Attest: Lawrence J. Royster, Recording Secretary