

St. Maron Council #12640 meeting Sept. 7, 2014

Present: Chaplain Father Sam, GK Bill Hoadley, Treasurer Ron Foster, FS Chris Cooper, Advocate Chuck VanHeusen, Recorder Tom Piner. Jim Davis, C. J Guerrero, and guest Chris Farinella

GK Hoadley called the meeting to order at 12:03 pm. Chaplain led us in prayer. GK Bill led us in pledge of allegiance.

Chaplain Report: Father Sam discussed his disappointment in learning of a letter sent to the bishop by past member Dan Barton. It seems the letter consisted of several inaccuracies noted by the Bishop and Father Sam.

While Father Sam did acknowledge Dan did do a good job as past FS that did not give him the right to speak ill of Father Sam, St. Michael's parish, or the council. It was noted that Dan had caused disruption at several councils he had attended.

Recorder: Past recorder John Handley was not present so there was no report, but the minutes were available on line.

Grand Knight Report: Operation Lamb would be Oct. 10 - 12, and Nov. 14 - 16. The grand knight will be calling for volunteers. The Ladies Guild also needs volunteers for the 40th anniversary weekend, especially with set up on Sep. 19th and clean up on Sep. 21st. There will be an informal reception for the Bishop when he arrives on Sep. 20th. Chris Cooper made a \$100.00 donation to the Ladies Guild directory on behalf of the council. He was formally thanked by the council. There will be a 1st and 2nd degree on Sep. 17th at St Elizabeth Ann Seton in Fayetteville. There will be a 3rd degree Sep. 13 in Lumberton and Oct. 11 in Wilmington.

Treasurer Report: Checking account balance \$1226.45. There was also a master's share account balance of \$5.00

FS Report: A motion was made by Chris Cooper to purchase a grand knight badge for \$8.25. The motion was seconded by Father Sam and passed unanimously. It was also noted that a mandatory \$76.25 for per capita and \$31.00 for insurance will be sent to state. The financial secretary also had signed over several knights to the Cardinal Gibbons Council. They no longer belong to St. Maron Council #12640. The FS will be ordering 12 1st degree candidate kits, 10 Constitution and By-Laws, 12 registration forms, and 12 membership documents. Name tags will also be ordered if needed.

Old Business: None

New Business: 1) An election was held to fill vacant Council Offices. The new officers are: DGK John Handley, Recorder Tom Piner, Advocate Subdeacon Chuck VanHeusen, Warden Rick Criste, and Third Trustee Subdeacon Chuck VanHeusen. 2) It was discussed that St. Michael's is seeing new faces because of our small and friendly environment. The parish seems to be growing in several places and as Knights we should be searching for potential candidates.

Good of the Order: Monsignor Jerry Lewis because of a coronary issue, and parishioners Maria Kenny and Phil Montaldo.

Father Sam closed the meeting with prayer and the GK dismissed the meeting at 1:09 pm.