Bishop Amedee W. Proulx Council 11257—Portland, Maine 04103



Monthly Newsletter



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Grand Knight's Message – JANUARY 2023

Brother Knights,

Once more we had a very successful meeting. Many showed up early and we had a great time even before the meeting began. Thanks to all of you for attending. It was also great to have Fr. Jack present and healthy. He thanked everyone for the prayers offered to help him in his recovery.

We moved to support heating oil assistance, the Special Olympics, and to buy a low heat alarm for St. Joseph's Church as the heat is being turned down to 50-60 degrees for the winter and the staff is moving out of the rectory/office. This will leave nobody on sight to know if the heat goes out, thus the need for the alarm. Jim took over the seminary list to make sure that we are going to support a candidate who is actively moving forward. Eric has added a few more to his team and is looking into the needs of the areas that fall into our commitment of caring for those in need.

It was noted that worthy District Deputy Norm addressed our officers meeting and gave 11257 a very nice message. He is very pleased with how we are doing as a council. This is due to all of our members. We can and should be proud. If you have not joined us recently, please give it a try next month. Those who are attending seem to be having a good time.

Happy New Year and God Bless,

Dick Pratt

GK 11257

Faith in Action Program Directors/Chairpersons 2022 - 2023 year: Program Director: Michael Pizzo, PGK

Faith Director: James R. Pizzo, PGK

Community Director: GIL DOUGHTY, PGK

Family Director: David E Bergson, Treasurer Life Director: Dewayn C. Marzagalli, PGK

Membership Director: Peter Rovnak, FS, PGK Retention Chairperson: Michael Pizzo

Insurance Promotion: Dick Pratt, GK

Vocations Chairperson: Norman W. Twaddel, PGK

Public Relations: Eric Griffin, Member

Call of Meeting to Order

The JAN.10 business meeting was called to order by GK Dick at 7:00pm. Fr. Jack lead us in opening prayer and GK Dick the pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Officers

Chaplain Fr. Jack	P
Grand Knight, D. Pratt	P
Deputy GK, M. Pizzo	P
Chancellor, N. Twaddel	P
Recorder, J. Pizzo	P
Fin. Secretary P. Rovnak	P
Treasurer, D Bergson	P
Lecturer	U
Advocate , R. Leduc	E
Warden , F. Stephens	P
IS Guard P. Sullivan	E
OS Guard, D. Marzagalli	E
1 Yr. Trustee, G. Doughty	P
2 Yr. Trustee , E. Griffin	P
$3\ \mathrm{Yr}.\ \mathrm{Trustee}$, J. Morin	E
P = Present	
A = Absent	

Reading of Minutes of the **Previous Meeting:**

E = Excused

Minutes from our previous meetings were read by the recorder, motioned and passed.

Report of Admissions Committee on Reading and voting for new members: No new admissions.

The Chaplain's Report:

Fr. Jack returned from his shot illness and is feeling much better. He gave us a short version of his medical condition.

Membership Statistics:

Council Membership:

Insurance Members 25 Associate Members 23 Insurance Members <u>1</u> Inactive Total 49 Of the 49 members, 11 are Honorary Life, 3 Honorary and 1 is Inactive The aging of our council: 20 - 30 = 0 31 - 40 = 241-50 = 5 51-60 = 11

The average age of membership 66

61-70 = 15 71-80 = 15

The Following Have Received the Honors of the 2nd & 3rd **Degrees:**

NONE

81 - 90 = 1

The Following Have Received the Honors of the 4th Degree:

NONE.

The Treasurer report: 12/31/22

BEGINNING BAL. 12/01/22	\$5,0	083.42
INCOME Holiday Appeal Donation Dues from 21 Members	\$ <u>\$</u>	45.00 493.50

EXPENSES

TOTAL INCOME

TOTAL EXPENSES	(\$ 00.00)
ENDING BAL. 12/31/22	\$ 5,621.92

Respectfully submitted, David Bergson, Treasurer

Motioned and passed unanimously to accept report.

Reading of Bills and **Communications:**

Thank you from Salvation Army for helping with the kettle drive at the mall.

The Financial Secretary Report:

FS Peter Rovnak reported that there are 6 O/S dues memberships to be paid for coming year.

Trustee's Report

Audit Report for 6 mos. Ending Dec. 31st 2022 due Feb. 15.

The Chancellor's Report:

NONE

Report of Service Program:

Bro. Rovnak reported 381 items of hats, scarves and gloves were collected from the Mitten Trees and also items from Lutheren church.

ABBA baby bottle drive will be at all church masses during January 2023. We will be helping with the masses at St. Joseph's Church.

Unfinished Business: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

538.50 Motioned and pass to donate \$250 to Maine Special Olympics. Motioned and passed to donate up to a cost of \$300. for a boiler alarm for heating when the church is closed for the winter. Donation for help to Seminarian to be discussed at our next meeting. Long discussion on other donations for the coming year

District Deputy:

NO REPORT

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Feb. 14, 2023</u> Council business meeting Fr. Flanagan Hall Annex. Meeting begins at 7:00pm, social meet and greet at 6:30pm, Zoom available.

Good of the Order: Prayers are offered for the following members and friends of our council: Laurie Doughty, Wife of PGK Gil Doughty Clyde Marzagalli, Brother of Bro. Dewayn Marzagalli Bro. Dave Bergson Bro. Ralph Brown Katie Bergson, Daughter of Bro. **Dave Bergson** Mary Polito, wife of Bro. Jim Pizzo **Bro. Jerry Morin** Bro. John Laplante Fr. Ted Corley Fr. Don Bosco Bro. Peter Rovnak & family Ramos Family Corinne Pratt Daughter of Bro. Dick Pratt Joseph Ranese Cousin of Bro. Marco Nargi Please Pray for the candidates in

our diocese who are studying to be

ordained Deacons.

Lecturer Report:

NONE

News of the Fourth Degree:

Our 4th Degree Assembly 337 meets in Portland at St. Pius Hall on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00pm. Please consider attending the 4th Degree meeting they are in need of member participation.

COUNCIL INSURANCE AGENT

WILLIAM WEISS 691-2740

<u>Happy Birthday Wishes to</u> <u>following members:</u>

Frank Stephens JAN. 06 Jim Merrill JAN. 21 Mark Cannon JAN. 28 G. David Brimmer FEB. 14

Blessings and Congratulations.

Please take a moment to feel the movement of your council. We are, together, making a difference in our Parish and Community. If you are not already actively involved please consider the good we do and in greater numbers the more that we will be able to accomplish. I invite you to come with us on a journey to fulfillment.

EDITORS NOTE:

Please address omissions and corrections to:

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Our business meetings are held at 7:00PM in the annex of St. Pius, Fr. Flanagan Hall, 2nd Tuesday of every month (Except the months of July and August). Please review the Upcoming Events included in this newsletter and we welcome your participation and attendance.

Calendar of Events

A copy of our Calendar of Events for this fraternal year is available on OLHP website under KC Council 11257 or contact Program Director, Brother Michael Pizzo at phs63@aol.com or 233-4780.

OTHER NEWS:

