

NEW ORLEANS METROPOLITAN CHAPTER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Minutes of Meeting held on AUGUST 17, 2011

Meeting was held at Tony's restaurant in Chalmette, LA and hosted by the Saint Bernard Project

Meeting was opened by Metro President Donald Winchester at 8:35 PM

There was a total of 14 Knights in attendance.

ROLL CALL:

President:	Donald Winchester	Present
Vice-President:	Dennis Cass	Present
Treasurer:	David Grego	Excused
Secretary:	Justin D. Douglass, Jr.	Present
Warden:	Perry Torregano	Present

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At 6:30 PM, before starting the meeting, we were met at the offices of the Saint Bernard Project (SBP) in Chalmette by Brother Knight Bryan Cassogne of the United Way. He introduced us to Kate Schuman, Development Coordinator, who is from Wisconsin and Emilie Tenenbaum, Director of Development, who is from Vermont. After explaining the program to us we went across the street to the building which houses the warehouse for the SBP. There we learned how the SBP starts a program to the end results. There were charts on the walls that show the progress of a rebuild from the filing to getting started thru the permitting process to completion.

After the tour of the warehouse, Kate and Bryan took us to Tony's restaurant for a delicious meal. After the meal President Donald Winchester opened the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COUNCIL PARTICIPATON IN SAINT BERNARD PROJECT

Councils will be asked to help out with the Saint Bernard Project. The nuns will be arriving in the New Orleans area to help in the rebuilding process on Sunday, November 13, 2011 and will leave on Saturday, November 19, 2011. On Monday, November 14, 2011 thru Friday, November 18, 2011, councils will be asked to make sandwiches for these five days. Knights will also be asked to deliver these sandwiches to the areas where the Nuns will be working. The Nuns will be at 8 to 10 locations so there will be a need for 8 to 10 drivers. Drinks would be nice as well, since they are not provided any. Knights will be asked to do a dinner for them when they arrive. Knights who were present at this meeting were asked to bring back to their Councils information on this and to participate by helping with manpower and/or monetary donations. If any Brother Knight would like to assist in the rebuild of a home they would be most welcomed. No experience is necessary. More on this at the September meeting.

DUES: Please ask your Council to pay their dues in a timely matter. If your Council has not paid their dues, please bring your Council's check in the amount of \$25.00 made out to **KC NEW ORLEANS METROPOLITAN CHAPTER** to the next meeting on September 21, 2011.

1ST DEGREE INFORMATION – BROTHER PAUL GAGNET

No more than a 30 day window from the time you talk to a new member until his 1st Degree. Every Council to host a 1st Degree at least 4 times a year or participate in one for STAR Council award. Councils can now put on their own 1st Degree Exemplification. The Council can either read from a book or play a CD. Robes are not necessary. However, those doing the degree must wear suits. Lynch and Kelly is coming out with a new 1st Degree kit to help Councils put on a professional 1st Degree. The following are the upcoming 1st Degree Schedules: August 22, 2011 Marquette Council 1437; August 22, 2011 Msgr. Wynhoven Council 3091; August 24, 2011 Father Vander Hayden Council 4874; September 21, 2011 Our Lady of the Lake Council 9240; September 22, 2011 Msgr. Dennis Bergeron Council 5935; October 11,, 2011 Red Church Council 3634; October 19, 2011 Our Lady of the Lake Council 9240; November 16, 2011 Ascension of Our Lord Council 9623; November 30, 2011 Our Lady of the Lake Council 9240; December 8, 2011 Msgr. Jean Eyraud Council 2436

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made for the Metro Chapter to donate the sum of \$100.00 to the Saint Bernard Project. There was a motion to table the motion until the next meeting in September.

Installation of Metro Officers to be conducted at the meeting on September 21, 2011.

NEXT MEETING AND LOCATION

The next meeting will be hosted by Saint Maria Goretti Council 9415, 7300 Crowder Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70127 on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 At this meeting we will have the Installation of Officers. Grand Knights and Deputy Grand Knights please make every effort to attend this meeting as more information on the Saint Bernard Project will be discussed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please remember all our Brother Knights and Ladies Auxiliary, who are deceased and sick, in your prayers. Also, please pray for David Grego, Metro Treasurer.

Final Prayer was led by President Donald Winchester and said by all.

Meeting was adjourned by the President at 9:15 PM

Attest: Justin D. Douglass, Jr.

Secretary