

2019 Minnesota Knights of Columbus State Convention Summary

May 17- 19, 2019 -- Alexandria, MN (Arrowwood Resort)

Friday, May 17, 2019

Registration was held at the Arrowwood Resort in Alexandria, MN.

A Meet & Greet was held on the Mini Putt Putt Golf Course in which delegates had a good time.

District Deputies had a meeting from 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

An Opening Mass was held at 7:00pm to kick things off.

Dinner was served. An evening of Hospitality and fraternity followed.

Saturday, May 18, 2019

Following breakfast, a Silver Rose Prayer Service was held.

Business Session began with State Deputy Marc Peters doing a power point presentation on the "State of the State" for the Minnesota Knights of Columbus.

An awards luncheon was held for delegates & families to honor councils and knights. A report from the Program Director contains all of the award winners.

After the Awards Luncheon, the Business Session came to order again while the Ladies had an outing to Carlos Creek Winery.

Following lunch, the business session resumed. Election of state officers was held. Reelected to office for 2019-20 for the Minnesota Knights of Columbus were:

Marc Peters	Lino Lakes Council #9905	State Deputy
David Whatmuff	Osseo Council #9139	State Secretary
Daniel DeCrans	Nevis Council #15807	State Treasurer
James Terwedo	New Prague Council #2023	State Advocate
Bou Gazley	Rochester Council #11460	State Warden

Appointed to serve as spiritual leaders for the 2019-2020 by their Bishops are:

Father Gabriel Walz	State Chaplain	St. Cloud Diocese
Father Martin Schaefer	Associate State Chaplain	Rochester/Winona Diocese

Resolutions presented for adoption were all passed. Copies of them are in the Convention files.

Delegates to the Supreme Convention were voted on. State Deputy Marc Peters and Immediate Past State Deputy Bob Penas are Delegates and then Members-at-large elected to attend are: Bou Gazley, Council 11460 Rochester; Randy Balausky, Council 945 Owatonna; Orville Fillbrandt, Council #3827 Bloomington; Jeremy Hadash, Council #5141 Osseo; Kelvin Torkelson, Council #13529 Spicer; Richard Schwartz, Council #8571 Princeton; Arnold Stenzel, Council #1596 Wells; and William Moore, Council #4451 North Minneapolis.

Alternates to the Supreme Convention elected are: David Whatmuff, Council 9139 Osseo; James Terwedo, Council #2023 New Prague; Daniel DeCrans, Council 15807 Nevis; Donald Lill, Council #6825 Monticello; Patrick Farrelly, Council #13359 Maple Grove; Jesse Kosloski, Council 1491 Brainerd; Terry Meyer, Council #9096 Lino Lakes; Joe Eckstein, Council #1076 New Ulm; David Pritschet, Council #11679 Fort Ripley, and Patrick Quirk, Council #3539 Chisholm.

Student Loan Board held their meeting as part of the business session in between elections as well as the Annual Report of the Marathon for Non-Public Education.

After the business session was completed, Mass was held in the Lake Darling Room.

The banquet held on Saturday evening awarded the Knight of the Year—Robert Leslie Peterson of Council #9905, Lino Lakes & Family of the Year—Mike and Patty Galante Family from Brooklyn Park Council #13001.

Our Supreme Guest, Gary Morrisey from the Supreme Office gave the keynote speech at the banquet.

Sunday, May 19, 2019

Breakfast was held.

The closing session of the convention was held with closing remarks by the State Officers and our guest from the Supreme Council, Gary Morrisey, Special Events Coordinator.

Next State Convention: May 15-17, 2020 Breezy Point, MN

**Power point presentations are kept in the convention file and placed on the KC State web site at: www.mnknights.org. Other reports are also on file.

**A recap meeting with the Alexandria State Convention Committee Co-chairs, State Officers, and Jesse Kosloski, next Convention Chairman was held. Discussion was on what went well, what was ok, and areas of improvement or change for the future.

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