# MEETING: 19 JULY 2015

The meeting was called to order at 2:35 P.M. by Faithful Navigator Chris Cooper.

The opening ceremony was conducted.

The opening ode was not sung instead the Assembly recited the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

The opening prayer was offered by Faithful Friar Jack Kelly.

The role of officers was called and noted as follows:

Officers Fraternal Year 2015/2016:

Faithful Navigator:	Chris Cooper	P	Faithful Scribe:	John Handley	A
Faithful Comptroller:	Rod Komlofske	P	Inner Sentinel:	Chris Kendziera	A
Faithful Friar:	Father Jack Kelly	P	Outer Sentinel:	Henry Winbush	A
Faithful Captain:	David Rosero	P	Faithful Trustee:	Steve Canali	P
Faithful Admiral:	Paul Tomacelli	P	Faithful Trustee:	Jose Santos	A
Faithful Purser:	Jeff Michaud	A	Faithful Trustee:	Bob Testa	P
Faithful Pilot:	Neal Vince	A	Honor Guard Commander:	TBD	

The Faithful Friar Report: Father Jack Kelly said the Organizational Meeting went well. He was confused about the purpose of the Friday Night event. Past Faithful Navigator (PFN) Bob Testa and PFN Steve Canali explained Friday Night was open to the public to help advertise the K of C. Overall Father Jack is impressed with the K of C for all we do and its longevity as a Catholic Men's Lay Organization. Father Jack reminded the Assembly Pope Francis' Trip to the USA will be covered on Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN). He said political correctness is going too far. The latest is changing the Fayetteville City Seal. The Seal has the Market House in it. The Market House was infrequently used to sell slaves when the steps of the Court House were no available. On the national level Churches may lose their tax exempt status due to non-heterosexual marriage. Father Jack talked about today's readings which emphasized teaching. The Gospels chronicle Christ teaching the Apostles and the Faithful on numerous occasions.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were not read in lieu of them being sent out to the membership via email and posted on the Assembly Website. PFN Bob Testa moved to accept the minutes for the preceding meeting. PFN Paul Tomacelli made a second on the motion. APPROVED.

The following bills were read and referred:

Faithful Comptroller Rod Komlofske presented a bill for \$65.50. This bill is for meeting reminder cards and postage. PFN Bob Testa moved to pay this bill. PFN Paul Tomacelli made a second on the motion. APPROVED.

Faithful Comptroller Rod Komlofske presented the Assembly with a bill for \$632.05. This bill is for the Faithful Navigator Cape and Sword. This bill was approved at the June 2015 meeting.

The following communications were read:

Faithful Comptroller Rod Komlofske presented a donation request from the Care Clinic (See Attachment 1). This request will be taken up at a later date.

Faithful Comptroller Rod Komlofske presented a request from the Fayetteville Veterans Medical Facility for a new VAVS volunteer. Faithful Comptroller Rod Komlofske volunteered to fill this post for the Assembly. PFN Bob Testa moved to accept Faithful Comptroller Rod Komlofske as the new VAVS volunteer. PFN Paul Tomacelli made a second on the motion. APPROVED.

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The Faithful Comptroller Report: Faithful Comptroller Rod Komlofske briefed (See Attachment 2) for the entire report:

Membership:	108
Beginning Income:	\$2,756.38
Committed Funds:	\$5.22
Funds Available:	\$2,815.09

PFN Bob Testa moved to accept the Faithful Comptroller Report. PFN Paul Tomacelli made a second on the motion. APPROVED.

The Faithful Purser Report: No report. Faithful Purser Jeff Michaud was not able to make the meeting.

The following committees reported:

Faithful Navigator Chris Cooper briefed the next scheduled Honor Guard Event is the Fayetteville Veterans Day Parade 2015. Details are on the Assembly Website:

http://cardinalgibbonsassembly783.weebly.com/veterans-day-parade-2015.html

Applications for membership presented to the admission committee: None.

Faithful Comptroller Rod Komlofske briefed the next Fourth Degree Exemplification is 21 November 2015. The location is St. Raphael the Archangel Church, 5801 Falls of Neuse Rd., Raleigh, NC 27609. Show time is 10:00 AM and start time is 12 Noon. More details are available on the NC K of C Website at:

http://216.119.98.57/?page\_id=2546

Unfinished business was taken up and disposed of as follows:

The Assembly requests a volunteer to become the new Honor Guard Commander. (OPEN)

The Trustees reported as follows: PFN Steve Canali briefed the Trustees would conduct the Assembly Semi-Annual Audit immediately after today's meeting.

The following new business was presented:

PFN Steve Canali asked about the Faithful Navigator Cape and Sword purchased by the Assembly. PFN Bob Testa and Faithful Comptroller Rod Komlofske briefed these items were approved during the June 2015 meeting. Emails were sent out about this subject and former Faithful Scribe Chris Cooper set up a page on the Assembly Website for the membership to voice their opinion. There were only seven responses.

Council Briefs: Faithful Navigator Chris Cooper briefed for the membership to send in their council events or notices to be placed in the Assembly Newsletter.

Faithful Navigator Chris Cooper briefed the next Assembly Meeting will be held on 16 August 2015 @ 2:30 PM at St. Michael the Archangel Maronite Catholic Church, Fayetteville, NC.

Under Good of the Order Dave Benes	Pauline Quin	Fallen Military in Chattanooga, TN
•	s conducted by Faithful Nav d by Faithful Friar Jack Kel	vigator Chris Cooper. lly. The closing ode was not conducted. Adjourned: 3:30 PM. ATTEST:
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May 26, 2015



Healthcare for Cumberland County with Compassion, Assistance, Referral and Education

# Dear Friends:

When Ben arrived here at The CARE Clinic, it was clear to us that he was frightened in ways that most of us never have to understand...because now he was ill, and there was no one else to care for his children if it was truly as serious as it felt to him.

For more than twenty years, The CARE Clinic has been there to help men and women when no one else would help them. Many times we fill a temporary gap in health insurance. Other times we are able to help hard-working parents, whose dollars are stretched beyond their ability to pay, receive basic medical attention when they are sick.



Two years ago, or as Ben would tell you, "in another lifetime...", he had a picture postcard life. Beautiful wife and two healthy, happy children, as well as a good job running the construction services side of a local housing materials company. He and his wife, Nora, had purchased a small home, their first, just two years earlier and it was a tremendous source of pride for both of them.

Ben's life was good...until one day it suddenly wasn't.

Seemingly out of the blue, Nora, his wife of almost twenty years, was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. Before that day, she was the picture of good health. Less than six months later, she was gone, and he was suddenly a single father. His employer, who did "the best they could", was unable to hold his position open as the rigors of caring for an ailing wife and children became his full time job. Health insurance, which had already strained their budget, was out of reach when COBRA was his only option. When the hospital bills started to pour in, Ben knew his unemployment was not close to being enough to cover their expenses, and so he sold the house that he had promised Nora they would "live in forever" because for them, forever was no more.

In spite of all the challenges that fate seemed to be throwing his way, Ben was committed to maintaining a positive attitude and moving forward, since there was no going back. Just a glance at his once smiling face, now furrowed and worn as he sat in the waiting room here at The CARE Clinic, made it visibly clear (as if facts were not enough) that the last two years had been incredibly difficult for him and his family.

One thing is certain...none of the more than 2,000 patient visits The CARE Clinic provided in the last year could have ever happened without the ongoing, committed and caring generosity of friends like you, Friends, who have chosen to stand with those in our community who want nothing more than to be well.

On that day, Ben came to us because he was feeling terrible and genuinely frightened. For the last two weeks, he was finding it increasingly difficult to sleep at night, and as soon as he began his day, he would suffer from increasingly painful headaches. That morning, things had gotten much worse... he could not catch his breath and right after he put the children on the school bus, he had the worst nosebleed of his lifetime.

Ben was a strong, proud man...but as soon as his volunteer provider saw him in the examining room, the tears started to run down his cheeks. As he told her, he was afraid he had a brain tumor. He asked, almost pleadingly, "What would happen to my children if something happened to me? "Within minutes, Ben and the volunteer medical professionals working to help him, had their answer: Ben had high blood pressure that was very treatable and would likely respond favorably to medication, a bit more exercise, and a little less salt in his diet. Once again, tears ran down this proud man's cheeks, but these were tears of relief.

Thanks to our compassionate community, The CARE Clinic is able to offer medical, dental, prescription, chiropractic and educational services to working poor families facing unexplained, and often frightening, medical issues.

More often than not, we are there to care for local area residents when no one else will help them, often filling a temporary need for healthcare services. Were it not for The CARE Clinic, the primary breadwinner in many local, vulnerable families would be unable to work, putting their ability to provide for their loved ones at-risk.

At The CARE Clinic, we have an unwavering commitment to provide quality healthcare and limitless compassion for those who simply cannot get it elsewhere. <u>As the only such provider in the area, thanks to you and with your continued support, we are able to provide a beacon of hope for those with no place else to turn.</u>

Through the support of donors like you, Friends, The CARE Clinic is rebuilding lives and restoring hope for hundreds each year. Our ability to meet the needs of tomorrow requires that I respectfully ask for your generous support today. Your gift of \$250 or more will help us advance The CARE Clinic's mission of providing free, quality health care to eligible uninsured, low-income adults who live in Cumberland County.

I saw Ben at The CARE Clinic when he came in for his one-month check up, and besides looking like a different person, he told me that he felt that we had given him a second chance at life. And, as the smile told me before he could, Ben had also found a new job that he loved.

On behalf of all those whose lives are made better because of your generosity, like Ben, I thank you in advance for your friendship and for your generous commitment to The CARE Clinic mission. **Of one thing you can be certain...we cannot do it without you.** 

With sincere appreciation,

Cathy Ory

**Executive Director** 

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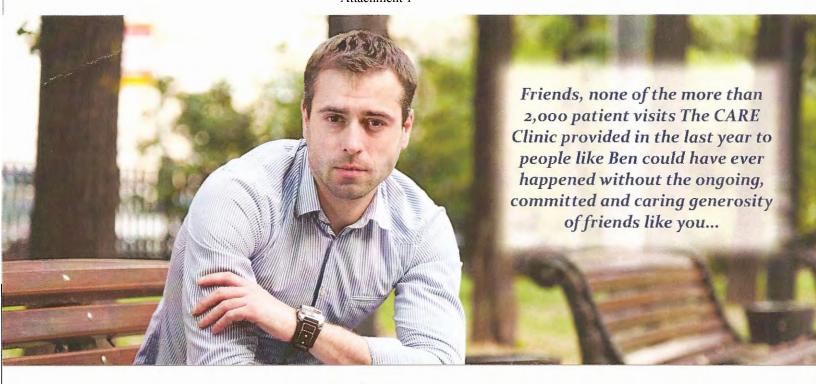
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