



## MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Knights of Columbus Council # 17304

**Date / Time:** December 13, 2021

**Location:** St. Martin de Porres & via Zoom

### ATTENDEES:

Title	Person	Attendance	Title	Person	Attendance
Grand Knight	Russ Woodford	P	Lecturer	Thom Vars	A
Deputy Grand Knight	Paul Parkes	P	Warden	Richard Summar	P
Chancellor	Nick Cumberland	P	Inside Guard	Mario Martinez	P
Recorder	Brandon Story	P	Outside Guard	Nathan Bernard	P
Treasurer	Octavio Rojas	P	Trustee – 1 Year	Jim Slee	P
Financial Secretary	Dominick Gervasi	P	Trustee – 2 Year	Chuy Romero	A
Advocate	Ed Flanagan	P	Trustee – 3 Year	Ruben Diaz	P
Chaplain	Father Stephen Hauck	P	District Deputy	Robert Daleo	P

**P = Present, A = Absent, E = Excused**

### Guests:

- Brett Ragsdale, Transfer.
- Jimmy Lotz, GK of Council 8493.

Grand Knight Woodford called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### Award of Past Grand Knight Plaque – Russ Woodford

- **Previous Grand Knight Award Plaque** - awarded to Dr. Dean Hansen

- **Eight Star Council Award** – awarded to Council # 17304 and Dr. Dean Hansen
- **State Director Gift** – Knights of Columbus Jacket to Dean Hansen for new member recruitment.
- **State Deputy** – Lone Star Award for Excellence to Council # 17304 / Dr. Dean Hansen

**Approval of minutes for previous meeting:**

- Approval of the minutes – Motion seconded and approved to approve minutes from previous month.

**Financial Secretary’s Report – SK Octavio Riojas**

<b>Bank Balance 12/13/2021</b>	<b>\$18,025.19</b>
PayPal Balance	\$0.00
<b>Total Cash on Hand</b>	<b>\$18,025.19</b>
<b>Outstanding Checks</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

<b>Total Outstanding Checks</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Total Cash Available</b>	<b>\$18,025.19</b>
<b>Breakdown:</b>	
Crisis & Contingency Fund	(\$1,300.00)
Monument Fund	(\$2,000.00)
<b>General Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$14,725.19</b>

**Membership Report – DD Robert Daleo**

- 7 net members out of target of 5; 140% of target.
- Fourth best growth council in the Fort Worth Diocese.
- Exemplification scheduled for Saturday, February 12.
- Four new transfers:
  - Daniel Teodosio (online)
  - Brett Ragsdale – retired military in 2007; Became Catholic in 2014.
  - Mike Stephens – transfer?
  - Frederick Recker – living in Aubrey; wife teaches at the school.
    - Motion moved and seconded; voted on to accept transfers.

### Program Director Report – GK Russ Woodford

- **Used Coats Update:** Collected 200 used coats and 70 winter hats. People still continuing to drop-off and box is still out.
- **Button Sales:** Christmas Begins with Christ – Bought 300; sold out completely. Gross \$520 dollars; \$210 Cost of merchandise; will donate money to Loreto House.
- **Coats for Kids:** Past weekend was first collection effort; raised \$1,800. \$1,000 was one individual. Doing it again this weekend. Will also take donations during this meeting.
- **Brisket tacos:** Taking December off due to holidays. Shifting to 2-3 cooking teams once we get started again.
- **Fish Fry:** Met with Father during monthly meeting. Father wants people coming for stations. We may do a 5:30-6:30 pick-up time with stations going on before or after. We will target a “to-go” style again.
- **Gaga Pit:** B. Story – SMdP School Gaga Pit was completed 12/10/21.
  - Six Knights (Ruben Diaz, Nick Cumberland, Brandon Story, Russ Woodford, Carlos Olivares and Dave Griffin) and three school dads (John Ross, Jarad Boase, Charles Odegard) participated.
  - It was a solid all day activity, but school kids have already been using it.
  - Article submitted to North Texas Catholic, Texas Knights and National KofC magazine.
  - Budget was \$450 / Spent \$848, but returned \$211 worth of material and screws. Also received a check from a donor for \$100.
    - **Final balance, \$537, or \$87.99 over budget.**
  - Still need to apply stain / sealant in a couple of weeks to weatherize it.
  - Thanks to Ruben Diaz for being the foreman.
  - Ed Flanagan: School is very appreciative.
- **Bingo Night:** Nathan Bernard - Planning for next event underway. Talk to Nathan Bernard if interested.

### Vegas Night – GK Russ Woodford & Jimmy Lotz (GK of 8493)

- February 26: Vegas Night at Holy Cross; will be held at Parish Family Center
  - Set 60% of total charities set for both councils:
    - Holy Cross GIFT Capital Campaign (30% of 60%)
    - St. Martin de Porres Monument Sign Fund (30% of 60%)
    - Team Texas for Families of Fallen Police Officers (25% of 60%)
    - Coats for Kids / 15% of 60% - capped at \$1,000.

- We take in 20% remaining for our charities; Holy Cross takes 20% of remaining for their charities.
- We need sponsors and prize donations.
  - Talk to restaurants and servers for gift certificates.
  - We want to have every couple go home with something at the end of the night.
  - Asking every member of the Council to bring a door prize (\$25 or less).
- We need 40 dealers for event; need people to commit.
- Will have a hospitality room for dealers.
- Will have food at event; will feed dealers.
- Gaming ends at 11:00 PM; equipment tear down begins and awarding of prizes start.
- Next Planning Meeting: January 5, 2022 at 6:30 PM.

**2022 Future Meetings / Russ Woodford:**

- Next Planning meeting January 3, 2022.
- February Regular Council meeting: February Meeting falls on February 14.
  - Maybe we move this up to February 7, 2022 or back a week?
  - Russ Woodford will think on this and let the Council know. His call.

**Fourth Degree Report –Dean Hansen:**

- Assembly Update
  - 130 Members; 34 from Council 17304 alone.
- Saturday, December 18 – Laying wreaths at DFW National Cemetery
- Saturday, December 18 – Christmas Dinner at Hard 8 BBQ that night (w/ White Elephant)
- Color Corps Call out for Christmas Mass (12/25/21) at 10AM.
- Next Meeting – Monday, January 24.
- DD Rob Daleo received the District Star Award (70% of membership awards and 2 Star Councils, other metrics such as reports in on time.)
  - Awarded by PGK Dean Hansen

**District Deputy Report – DD Rob Daleo:**

- January 8: Mid-Year meeting for Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries
- January 13: Next District Meeting
- January TBD: Need to schedule a Novena for Life. Paul Parkes to work with DD.
- Form 1728 / Fraternal Activities due by end of January.
- Fraternal Benefits Night this Wednesday; Virtual Event – Click on QR and Register.
- Council has met all requirements for insurance.

### **Unfinished Business – GK Russ Woodford**

- None

### **New Business – GK Russ Woodford**

- Financial Secretary: few bills to approve;
  - Buttons: \$210 Christmas Begins with Christ Buttons for Russ
  - Bingo Night: Russ - \$27.32 for food supplies
  - Exemplification Meal: \$76.84
  - Gaga Pit: \$87.99 overage for Gaga Pit / B. Story
  - Quarterly State Prize Fee - \$72.88 - Reimbursement for Dominick
    - Motion made and seconded; approved to pay bills.
- Meal tonight courtesy of Paul Parkes.
- Recognize efforts of 8493 to get our Council up and running.
- Jimmy Lotz: Presented checks from 8493 for Golf Tournament split - Charities \$2,200 and Council \$1,950.

### **GK Summary – GK Russ Woodford:**

- Knight of the Month: Ruben Diaz – for work on Gaga Pit.
- Thanks everyone for coming.

### **Good of the Order:**

- Peter Vargas – been feeling sick. Not doing well.
- Randy Semig – former son-in-law’s brother who had a massive heart attack (Russ)
- Jim Fox – repose of Soul; Massive Heart attack (Doc)
- Repose of Soul for Parker’s Brother
- Dom’s wife - Kate – spinal surgery Christmas Eve.
- Doc’s wife Edie, facial cancer surgery on Wednesday.
- Prayers for Tornado Victims and their families.

### **Older Items:**

1. Parker Emerson – Prayers for his brother who passed.
2. Molly in Aubrey – Cancer.
3. Jimmy Lotz – going in tomorrow for heart test.
4. Carlos – Sister in Law, Cathy Olivarez (Chemo)

5. Octavio's Mother in Law is at home and dying of Cancer; on pain medication.
6. Joe Davidson – Choir Director
7. Ed Flanagan and wife
8. Ron Powers – Health
9. Brother Sam Hopper – in ICU in Houston
10. Receptionist at School – Ms. Bobbie: New grandbaby has brittle bone disease; treatment for this cost \$3M; need prayers for baby Easton.
11. Brother Peter Vargas had heart surgery, needs prayers.
12. Noel Wrigley, Prince of Peace; wife died of cancer.
13. Parker Emerson – in hospital with COVID.
14. Forrest Kitzrow: Prayer for wife, Mary with ITP.
15. Larry Cox; prayer for his soul.
16. Father Morris' wife Fran
17. Ed Flanagan's Daughter Meagan; gone 10 years
18. Dominick Gervasi - Angellica Cherco – recent Cancer Surgery
19. Don Burks' Sister in Law, Sarah French
20. Octavio Riojas' Mother in Law – doing better.
21. Brandon Story's Great Aunt - Joanne Story; recently passed – Prayer for her soul.
22. Chuy Romero's Sister – Passed December 30.
23. Soul of Paul Epner and wife, Mary
24. Larry Cox – Stage 4 Pancreas & Liver Cancer
25. Pray for the Unborn
26. Marty Pappas: Mother in Law, Donna Pioli passed away.
27. Jim Kinzer's son, Lucas. Doing well after valve in heart and arteries replaced.
28. Rob Daleo – recovered from COVID
29. Matt Freeman – recovered from gun accident.
30. Ed Flanagan – doing ok post surgery.
31. Nelson Miller's Brother's wife Pat with senile dementia
32. Jason Campbell
33. Nathan and Diane Bernard – Birth of Daughter
34. Edie Woodford – Cancer on Face
35. Calvin Wolfe – COVID
36. Jimmy Lotz - COVID
37. Mike Jacobsen – Daughter-in-law
38. Ruben Diaz – brother John passed with COVID; Wife is Sherri
39. All Knights and friends / family members suffering with Alzheimer's – especially Steve Slagel's father, Jack Coleman and Stewart James, Susan Warneke, Ruben's wife Josie and Bill Timm
40. Repose of the soul of the faithfully departed, especially SK Jay Dalbo
41. All the unemployed and underemployed
42. All Active Members of the Armed Services
43. Aborted babies
44. Pay for Vocations
45. Pray for the Pope, Bishops and Priests
46. COVID-19 Sufferers

47. All those suffering with mental health issues.
48. Students, parents, teachers and principal at St. Martin de Porres School
49. Pray for Country and Unity.
50. Frank Ramirez' wife Joyce, for back pain
51. Thom Var's friend, Tom – going through marriage troubles
52. Lucas Kinser – Aortic Aneurism
53. Chuy's sister in law with Cancer, Grace
54. Chuy's Daughter, Isellela, MS
55. Beatrice Gonzalez, (Chuy's family) diagnosed with Breast Cancer
56. Fred Schmidt's Sister – Caroline Schmidt – Stage 4 Cancer.
57. John Baker, Heart, lungs and flu
58. Jimmy Lotts' mother, Agnes
59. Jim Phillips' Wife – Stoke

Meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Minutes by: SK Brandon Story, Recorder

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- 1 Richard Sumner
- 2 Russ Woodford
- 3 Brandon ~~Stacy~~
- 4 Ray Mangold
- 5 Robert Deled DD30
- 6 Nick CUMBERLAND
- 7 DOMINICK GERVASI
- 8 Steve Ceph
- 9) Jim Slee
- 10 Ruben M Diez
- 11 BRETT RASSALE
- 12 NATHAN BERNARD
- 13 RAY LAWRENCE
- 14 Art Bricker
- 15 Mario Martinez
- 16 CARLOS OLIVAREZ
- 17 Ray Onyekwere
- 18 John Stammreich
- 19) Doc Hansen
- 20) Parker Emerson
- 21) AL ELLIOTT
- 22) George Siller
- 23) CHRIS THELEN
- 24) Jim y Lotz 8493
- 25) OCTAVIO ROSAS
- 26) PAUL PARKES

Fr. Stephen Dale  
Dominic Ani  
Chris Ifemeje

Zoom:

Ed Flanigan  
Dan Marotta  
Mike Granillo