

## MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Knights of Columbus Council # 17304



**Date / Time:** December 11, 2023  
**Location:** St. Martin de Porres School (Multi-purpose room in the school, due to a scheduling conflict)

### ATTENDEES:

- Attendance is now tracked via the MSOffice Form found on the TV screen / printouts at the business meeting provided by Rob Daleo.

### Guests:

- None

GK Rob Daleo called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Approval of minutes for previous meeting:

- Meeting minutes were posted on web via uKnight. Rob made motion to approve minutes, seconded by Dominic and were approved

### Chaplain Update - Fr. Steven

- absent

### Grand Knights Report – GK Rob Daleo:

- Thank you to Russ for a wonderful Christmas party
- Prosper Christmas Parade - 7 knights attended and were well received. Many thanks from the crowds thanking the Knights for being in the parade. Would like to have more attendance next year. Wants to consider putting together a Knights float together for next year. We have added this to the planning model for next year.
- Brisket taco weekend coming up - this is also a membership drive for us. Please come and talk to prospective members about our council.

### Treasurer's Report – Sergio Guerrero

Treasurer's Report 11-2023		
Cash	\$30,663.72	
Bank Balance 11-30-2023	\$15,985.04	
Savings Account 11-30-2023	\$14,678.68	
<b>Outstanding Checks</b>	<b>\$1,200.00</b>	
Little Elm Special Olympics	\$600.00	

1160 - Norah Warren	\$50.00	
1214 - Prosper Rotaty Club (Christmas Parade)	\$50.00	
1215 - Fr. Stephen Hauck	\$500.00	
<b>Total Cash Available</b>	<b>\$29,463.72</b>	
<b>Allocated Funds:</b>	<b>\$14,500.00</b>	
Crisis & Contingency Fund	\$1,300.00	
Monument Fund	\$7,300.00	
Savings - General Fund	\$5,000.00	
Grand Piano - Kent Meline	\$900.00	
<b>Unallocated Funds</b>	<b>\$14,963.72</b>	

\*Note added a banner order that was already in the budget for \$947. It will also require a pole and stand at additional cost

**Program Director – George Siller:**

- George introduced each director for reports

**Membership Report – Richard Ornelas**

- Richard was Absent
- One new candidate for review
  - Chiedozie Aguwa
  - Recommended by Rey
  - Rob motioned to accept - Russ seconded - vote was approved to bring him on.
- Father Claudio has also agreed to join our council. We will schedule a live exemplification for new members. Deen suggested January 13, George will speak with Richard.

**Family Director - John Ross:**

- Keep Christ in Christmas - FR has approved the spirit wall. We have 70 Catholic coloring sheets and all have been passed out. This will be displayed in the hallway in the parish hallway.
- Keep Christ in Christmas Car Magnets are available.

**Frank Camilleri - Faith Director**

- Holy hour / Rosary is still ongoing - Thursdays of the 2nd week of the month - 8:00 to 9:00 PM. Put prayer requests in using the QR code sent around during the meeting.
- December 31 - 5th Sunday Corporate Communion - will not do a pot luck or exemplification this time, but will still have Corporate Communion and all sti up front - Sunday at 4:30

**Nathan Bernard - Community**

- Nathan absent
- UPdates from George
  - We placed 2nd soccer challenge
  - 212 Coats were purchased for Coats for Kids

- Nathan coordinated distribution
- Russ reminded us that January 20 is our upcoming Bingo night - Nick needs to make a flier.

**St. Lawrence Team (Ray)**

- Taco Sunday this coming Sunday.
- Working on individual teams still, but we have had great turnout the last two times. The more that show up, the better
- Jan is last taco Sunday before Easter as we will be getting into Lent in February.
- Fish fry plan for this year is still pending, but expected to stay the same.

**George - Technology update**

- Working on new website - the basic structure can be seen at [www.kc17304.org](http://www.kc17304.org) created by Nick Cumberland.

**Steve (Deputy Grand Knight)**

- Succession Planning
  - To those who are on the schedule, if you have any objections, please state them.

**Life (Paul absent, Alfredo gave us an update)**

- January 5th or 6th - Need help putting out crosses out front
- Novena for Life - January 19 - Rosary starts at 6:00 PM
  - Prayer, video and speakers from the Loreto house
- January 20 - Joint Ft. Worth / Dallas Diocese - Mass for Life
  - There will be a bus taking parishioners down - 56 seats - first come first serve
  - Bus will go to the Our Lady of Guadalupe Cathedral in Dallas
  - Expected donation to ride bus is \$10
  - Dress code - wear white Knight (or other color) shirt and KoC badge
- Russ suggested we present Loreto with their check while they are here
- Deen made a motion to present the \$1,000 in the form of a presentation check to the Loreto house on January 19, Steve seconded. The motion was voted on and passed.

**Fourth Degree Report – DD Dean Hansen:**

- This weekend - Saturday 16 - 11:00 Little Elm Cemetery 252 wreaths - want KoC children to help distribute the wreaths on grave sites. Please arrive by 10:30 to ensure timing is correct.
- Christmas Party - American Legion Dinner - Talk to Dean if you are interested in attending.
- New Assembly with St. Martin de Porres. We will need to vote on this - January 22nd, Monday at Holy Cross at 6:30PM. Will need to show up to vote to split off and begin the new council. Target is to have 30 Knights there to ensure our vote will pass.

**Insurance Agent's Report – Don Burks:**

- No handout this evening.
- Don spoke on index investment products.

- Please bring Don referrals so we can continue to grow. Every little bit helps the Knights to be stronger as an organization and to protect our Brother Knights and our families.

**DD Report – SK Dr. Dean Hansen:**

- Recent meeting with State in San Marcos
  - State is very happy with our council efforts with our growth and ability to get Star council
- We need to do a better job of advertising what we do as a council - getting what we do out into the world so we can increase membership.
- We are at a grade A as a council - great job!
- Meeting on Jan 6 with GK, DGK, and Financial Secretary to meet with State.

**Unfinished Business – Rob Daleo:**

- None

**New Business – Rob Daleo:**

Bills for reimbursement – SK Dominick Gervasi:

- Proceeds from Bingo Fall Festival - will issue that check to the church \$1321
- \$74.49 for Meal Tonight for George.
- Russ Reimburse for Christmas Party \$1488.02
- Sergio \$27.06 - Flowers for our lady of guadalupe
- Brandon motion - Steve Second - Motion has passed after vote
- Dues invoices will begin coming out from Dominic on how to pay. We can write checks, or pay online \$40 are due.
- For future reference, checks need to be made out to St. Martin de Porres Council.

**Brandon**

- Update on FB page - our page is under suspension now and Brandon is working on getting it restored. No explanation from FB on why
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**Gk Summary – Rob Daleo:**

- Thanks to all to keeping the meeting on schedule
- Wonderful to see new brothers joining us
- Thank you again to Russ and Linda for the great Christmas party

**Trustee’s Report (Russ):**

- December 9th - 2nd Annual Christmas Party - Rudy’s BBQ
  - the sign up can be found on jotform – <https://form.jotform.com/233114314818147>
  - Private Room
  - Meal and drinks (alcohol extra)
  - RSVP by November 27
  - Cost \$12 per person - (total cost is \$24 - Council is paying for half)
  - White elephant gift exchange.

**Lector’s Reflection:**

- No Lector today

**Good of the Order:**

**John Ross**

- Knight of the Month - Carlos Olivares
- Family of the Month - Alfredo and Alecia

**Dean Hansen**

- We have qualified as a council for Quick Start
  - We are safe environment compliant
  - We have made the goal for having paid our dues
- We are on target for the LoneStar award
- Prayer intentions are added via the link provided in the meeting.
- Family of the Month - Mario Martinez Family
- Knight of the Month - Carlos Avalares
- Seeking nominations for the next two months

**Older Prayer Items:**

- Parker Emerson - awaiting MRI results
- Lloyd Ruffle - in NY taking care of family - prayers for his Father
- Deacon Jack - nephew, Gilberto - broken neck - paralyzed from neck down and having trouble recovering.
- Prayer of Thanksgiving for Carlos's son, - was in wreck over the weekend and he was able to walk away  
Carlos Olivares: Repose of the Soul of Tino Soto
- Jim Slee: Bob Slee – Cancer
- George Siller: Deacon Jack / Mike Jacobsen
- Jesus Romero: Isella Romero – broken leg
- Ray Mangold / Prostate Cancer
- Rob Daleo: Chuck Daleo – Nursing Care
- Richard Ornelas: Brother Knights with Cancer
- GK Russ Woodford: Families of Shooting Deaths in Allen
- Stage 4 Cancer- Ray Wazwriack
- Father Boniface – Going through GI Issues
- Paul Parkes: Rob Daleo
- Richard Ornelaz: Tony Moninski, Hernia Surgery
- GK Russ Woodford: Carlos Olivarez FIL, Tino Soto removed from Life Support.
- Paul Parkes: Michael Jacobsen: Knee Replacement
- Paul Parkes: Deacon Jack Knee Replacement
- Sergio Guerrero: Gerald Hinderman, new kidney transplant
- Ed Flanagan: Twin grand-babies who are in the neonatal unit
- Richard Ornelas: John Curtin – car accident; Tony Byzewski who is going through hernia surgery
- Paul Parkes: Ed Flanagan, who was in car accident.
- Dominick Gervasi: Rob Daleo – health issues
- Richard Wilson who is getting a kidney transplant
- Sergio: Wife's uncle Jared who is waiting for a Kidney Transplant

- Don Burk's Dad – Shoulder surgery
- Prayers for Rob Daleo – blood pressure.
- Docs' sister who has mammary cancer; Janice Jaymes
- Tony – hernia
- For all the people going on the Holy Land pilgrimage
- Dan Badgely – sister Julie passed away this morning.
- Ukrainian solders and country
- Fred Allen – passed away from Agent Orange related cancer; Ed Flanagan
- Terry Watting – Frank's C fried with Pancreatic cancer
- Retired Deacon Richard Lovett; back surgery (George Siller)
- Pope Benedict
- Chuy Romero – possible Shoulder Surgery; appointment Friday.
- Tino Soto, Carlos' Olivarez father in law in hospice
- Jason Campbell, cancer treatments
- Russ Woodford – in hospital
- Sister Andrea with Cancer
- Chuy Romero – dislocated shoulder.
- Tino Soto, Carlos' Olivarez father in law in hospice
- Jason Campbell, cancer treatments in Germany at the end of the month.
- Repose of the soul of Ken Meline.
- In-laws: Tino and Olga Soto – Carlos Olivares
- Nephew, Max Obaye (surgery during birth); Nathan Bernard
- Prayers for Ken and Keith and new member Todd.
- Russ Woodford – prayers for healing.
- Appreciate everyone's support.
- Ukraine – in 10 days, Knights raised \$3M for relief efforts
- Republicans, Christians
- Supreme Court Justices
- Thom Vars - Christina Vars – turmoil at place of employment.
- Brandon Story: Cousin Robert Story who passed from Cancer recently.
- Cherie Brickey – return to good health
- Ukrainians – prayers
- Gary Hinderman – Waiting for Kindey Transplant
- Kathy Yasalli – heart condition and needs testing
- Edee Hansen – Diagnosed with syndrome which curls fingers
- Ed Flanagan: Grandson who is deployed on nuclear sub.
- Ruben Diaz: Peter Vargas – been ill

**Closing prayer.**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Minutes by: SK Nick Cumberland, Recorder

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Meeting Minutes

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