

## **MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

**Knights of Columbus Council # 17304**



**Date / Time:** March 11, 2024  
**Location:** St. Martin de Porres Church - Parish Hall

### **ATTENDEES:**

- Attendance was tracked on-line at the Link / QR Code provided by Rob Daleo

### **Guests:**

- None

GK Rob Daleo called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

- Prior to the meeting, Michael spoke on his service mission to Sri Lanka and the restoration of a church that was not open at the time. The church is now developed and opened thanks to the assistance of Michael and the Knights of Columbus supporting his efforts.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Approval of minutes for previous meeting:**

- Meeting minutes were posted on web on the new website (<https://kc17304.org/meeting-minutes/>).
- George Motion to approve minutes seconded by Nathan B. Minutes were voted on and approved by the council.

### **Chaplain Update - Fr. Steven**

- absent

### **Grand Knights Report – GK Rob Daleo:**

- We are still A graded council - have 12 members vs a quota of 9 and 6 members in queue.
- On track for Star Council except for putting in our SD7 and a Fraternal Benefits night. Next FBN will be on 4/2. We will post it to the website - our members need to sign on on 4/2 and watch. [Tinyurl.com/kofcapril2](http://Tinyurl.com/kofcapril2)
- Texas convention coming up at the end of April - if anyone is interested in attending, contact Rob
- Plan to form a call tree committee - need 10 members who will adopt 10 members to reach out to fellow brothers before meetings/events to check in on them and encourage them to attend.
- Bishops of Ft. Worth/Dallas have approved the name of our new Assembly and will be named after Father Loyd Morris, who was the Friar Emeritus of the 3rd Texas District.
- Hispanic Roundtable - plan to kick that off on December 12 for our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day. Would like to get mariachis or matachines dancers.

### **Treasurer's Report – Sergio Guerrero**

Sergio was not present, but provided his report via email:

These are old checks that have not been cashed...

Little elm special Olympics -

Check 1160 has been there since last Christmas I believe (essay)

Check 1215 – for Fr Stephen Hauck (not cashed yet)

Dominic gave the updates in Sergio's absence. Updated numbers are below.

<b>Treasurer's Report 02-2024</b>		
<b>Cash</b>	<b>\$24,909.13</b>	
Bank Balance 2-29-2024	\$10,175.86	
Savings Account 2-29-2024	14,733.27	
<b>Outstanding Checks</b>	<b>\$1,300.00</b>	
Little Elm Special Olympics	\$600.00	
1160 - Norah Warren	\$50.00	
1215 - Fr. Stephen Hauck	\$500.00	
1222 - Henry Massawe Jr	\$100.00	
1226 - Nate Lee Essay Contest	\$50.00	
<b>Total Cash Available</b>	<b>\$23,609.13</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>\$9,109.13</b>	

**Program Director – George Siller:**

- Change on March Donut sunday - this will move to Palm Sunday
- We still only have 30 members signed up for programs.

**Membership Report – Richard Ornelas**

- Absent
- Per Rob:
- Grown by 9 so far this year
- No new members to introduce this meeting
  - New possible members who have registered on-line:
    - Javier Escodero

- Anthony Griffin
- Damien Mayestes
- Sam Kessel
- John LaFleur
- Richard arrived late and brought in a new member
  - David Pataky - new person transferring in - has been a Knight for 60+ years
  - Motion was made by Richard and 2nd by Nathan to approve the transfer - vote taken and accepted.
- April 6 - next CUF - corporate communion as well - 5:00 PM Mass. Please attend. CUF followed by Dinner.

**Family Director - John Ross:**

- absent

**Frank Camilleri - Faith Director**

- Attendance has been up for Thursday Holy Hour & Rosary. All Knights and families are invited. 2nd Thursday of every month from 8:00 to 9:00 PM
  - Please submit your intentions on the QR code and they will be prayed for during this holy hour
- Per George - Divine Mercy Sunday is the first Sunday after Easter - please attend the services around that to receive graces.

**Nathan Bernard - Community**

- April 20/21 - Wheelchair mission at all Masses. This is one of biggest fundraisers that the Knights participate in
- May - Mothers' Day - will be distributing flowers during Mass to all mothers
- May 4 - next Bingo event. Will need volunteers.
- Scholarship program - please reach out to Nathan if interested in participating in this program. If we know of anyone locally who needs a wheelchair in our community, connect with Nathan.
- Russ - April 11 - First Family Dinner night - Tinders BBQ on 380. All Knights invited. Details will be emailed out.

**St. Lawrence Team (Ray)**

- Fish Fry's have been going very well - down to our final 2. Grossed around \$6K and netted \$3K.
- Thanks to all who show up to help
- We need to do better on signing up for the fish fry instead of showing up unannounced
- Taco Sunday - April 21st
  - Ray will be out for the next 6 months on a vacation/road trip
  - Ray will be putting together teams to cover things in his absence
- Smoker update - the smoker was in need of upgrades as it was underperforming on previous cooks. With the new upgrades it should perform much more efficiently with the new updates. There was also a 2nd shelf added which will increase capacity from 12 briskets to 20.

- Cost was \$2250
- Next smoke will be April 5 Friday (overnight cook) - get with Ray if you are interested in helping.

#### **George / Nick- Technology update**

- No new updates

#### **Life (Paul Parks)**

- Absent
- Per George - there is a tour of the Loreto House
- If you have taken part in 5 Life events, you can achieve your Ace wings. Touch base with Paul regarding this
- Per Rob - Brian Bartels, he is looking for subs for the Feet Washing - last year we had to cancel bc people did not show up. If you would like to be an alternate, reach out to George or Rob.

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

- Our name is in the approval process for the new council. All 4th degree members need to complete forms asap in order to establish our new council. Need minimum 45 of them completed ~30 completed so far.
- Next meeting is Thursday, March 21st at Holy Cross - 6:00 PM Fellowship/Meal and 7:00 PM is the start of the meeting.

#### **Insurance Agent's / Financial Advisor Report – Don Burks:**

- Featured - Single Premium Whole Life Policy.
- Beneficial to the older population, those who want to protect assets from creditors, want to leave something to kids, those who want to max out gifts to charity or retirement income for a spouse.

#### **DD Report – SK Dr. Dean Hansen:**

- Quick start Charity Award - received by the council this year. 5th year to receive this award.
- We are hitting our targets and getting an A rating so far
- Fraternal Benefits Night - April 22nd - please make sure to attend - this will satisfy our credit needed for this year
- Elections - anyone interested in becoming an officer, please review the information available on kofc.org including webinars, etc.

#### **Unfinished Business – Rob Daleo:**

- Smoker update - during the last planning meeting, we did a first vote to the repair the smoker - during the first vote, we authorized up to \$3,000 total to repair the smoker (\$1,800 additional outside of what was on the annual budget). The first vote passed
- Motion to second vote - Ed Motion, George seconded to vote the 2nd time around- motion was passed on a vote.

#### **New Business – Rob Daleo:**

Bills for reimbursement – SK Dominick Gervasi:

- Total amount to fix smoker 2250 - that will invoice will be paid, reimbursement to Doc Hanson for that amount who paid previously
- John W - Fish fry 42.26
- Ray M - \$261.34 - Fish Fry expenses and Pancake dinner

- Dinner tonight - Carlos - \$200.00
- Ray motion, Chuy second - to pay the bills - voted and passed

**Grand Knight Summary – Rob Daleo:**

- Chuy addressed the council - tonight's collection is for Chuy's Daughter, Isela. She lost her insurance and has not been able to get medications and health has been degrading. She has lost her job, apartment, and any assistance that we can provide is very much appreciated by Chuy and his family.
- Anyone who would like to make a donation, please connect with Dominic.
- We raised \$278 for Chuy's Daughter.
- Please plan on participating in the Masses during the Holy Week.

**Trustee's Report (Russ):**

- No report this meeting

**Lector's Reflection (Stephan):**

- Please review Supreme Chaplain's monthly challenge on KofC.org

**Good of the Order:**

**John Ross**

- John Absent
- Family of the Month - John and Linda Overee
- Knight of the month - James Howe
- Family of the Year - need to vote on the family of the year
  - Narrowed to 3 possible
    - Bobby and Melissa Getty
    - Dean and Edee Hanson - Dean requested to withdraw his name
    - Brandon and Lisa Story
    - Chuy seconded the nominations for the selections
  - A vote was taken and the Story's were decided on for submitting them for family of the year.

**Dean Hansen**

- New award from Supreme - achieved last year. Star Council. This is one of the toughest awards to achieve as a council and is a great achievement.

**Older Prayer Items:**

- Dominic - recovery from injury
- Edee Hanson - surgeries
- 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 8:15 PM.

Minutes by: SK Nick Cumberland, Recorder

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 <p><b>Meeting Minutes</b></p> <p><i>* requires login</i></p>	 <p><b>Volunteer Hours</b></p>
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