

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Knights of Columbus Council # 17304

Monthly Business Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, January 12, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: St. Martin de Porres



1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at **7:00 PM**.

- **Opening Prayer**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

- **Motion:** Adopt the previous meeting minutes
- **Made by:** Ed Flanagan
- **Seconded by:** Rob Daleo
- **Vote:** Motion approved

3. Grand Knight's Report

- **Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass:** December 12
- **Christmas Party:** December 13
- **Baga Lift Repair:** December 22
- **Christmas Vigil:** December 24
- **Video Highlight:** Michael Waguespack – “A Knight’s Mission of Hope & Service” (members encouraged to view)
- **January Birthdays:** Recognition of January birthdays for brother Knights

4. Financial Report – George Siller

- **Total Cash:** \$16,589
- **Certificates of Deposit:** \$12,000
- **Checking:** \$3,589
- **Savings:** \$1,000

5. Membership Report – Doc Hansen

- Membership is at **200% of goal** and **on track for Star Council**
- **Two new prospects** currently in the pipeline

New Member Vote

- **Candidate:** Edric Wegner (completed video induction; interested in joining)
- **Motion:** Accept Edric Wegner into the council
- **Made by:** Doc Hansen
- **Seconded by:** Rob Daleo
- **Vote:** Motion passed
- **Current Membership Total:** 174 members

Recognition

- **Ron Eschberger** nominated for the **Shining Armor Award**

6. Faith in Action Programs

Faith – Rob Daleo

- **Holy Hour:** Thursday of this week
- **January 23:** Sacred Heart Holy Hour (parish-wide)
- **January 29:** Thrive Event, 6:30–9:00 PM
- **Way Retreat:** January 30–31 (members encouraged to attend)

Life – Paul Parkes

- **Crosses placed at church**
- **Third Week of January:**
 - Roe v. Wade anniversary (1973)
 - March for Life anniversary (1974)

Rosary for Life

- **Friday, January 23**
- **Location:** Gym
- **Time:** 6:00–8:00 PM
- **Includes:**
 - Novena for Life
 - Rosary for Life
 - Representative from Loreto House
 - Pro-life video
 - Collection for Loreto House

Community – Dominic Gervase

- **February 14:** Bingo (Valentine's theme), 6:00–10:00 PM
- **Wheelchair Event:** Coming up; Dominic to coordinate with Bill Weber

7. St. Lawrence Crew / GK Events

- **Breakfast Tacos:** January 18
- **Super Bowl Brisket Sale:**
 - Smoking: February 6
 - Sales: February 7–8
- **Lenten Fish Fry:**
 - Begins February 20
 - 180 plates per meal
 - Crew of approximately 15 needed

Bingo Motion

- Initial discussion included confirming availability and staffing needs (noted need for setup team).
- **Motion (final):** Run Bingo on February 14
- **Made by:** GK Bernard
- **Seconded by:** Mike Granillo
- **Vote:** Passed by voice vote

8. Technology

- No update.

9. Fourth Degree – Mario Martinez

- **February 17:** Exemplification – Plano
- **February 28:** Exemplification – Allen (St. Jude)
- Next exemplification after that will require travel to Wichita Falls
- Members interested in the **Fourth Degree** encouraged to speak with Mario
- **250th Anniversary of America** raffle:
 - Raffle tickets: \$5 each or 3 for \$10
 - Prizes include gift cards

10. Insurance Agent Report – Don Burks, CFP®

Don Burks, CFP® provided a brief insurance update, noting that participating Knights of Columbus insurance policyholders may receive **annual dividends** based on surplus funds, determined on an equitable basis by policy class. Don also highlighted several fraternal insurance points discussed:

- Knights insurance does **not exclude** coverage for **war-related death**.
- Knights insurance does **not charge higher premiums** for **military or police** members.
- Any premium surplus is returned to eligible policyholders in the form of **dividends** (as applicable).

Members were encouraged to contact Don with questions regarding dividends or coverage options.

11. District Deputy's Report – Dominic Gervase

- **Fourth Degree Exemplification:** Plano upcoming
- **Chapter Meeting:** January 18, Council #759 (Keller), 1:00–4:00 PM
- **Audit Update:** Semi-annual audit changed to an **annual audit**

12. Unfinished Business

- None.

13. New Business

Bills for Approval

Three bills presented:

- **\$125.02** – CUF Kit (GK Bernard)
- **\$91.10** – Yard signs (GK Bernard)
- **\$507.75** – Supreme dues
- **Motion:** Approve payment of bills
- **Made by:** Rob Daleo
- **Seconded by:** Steve (last name not specified in notes)
- **Vote:** Motion passed

Dues Update – George Siller

- Dues statements have been sent
- Internal review planned to move non-paying members to state status in **March 2026**

Special Motion – Kneelers

- **Request:** Two kneelers for the gym
- **Cost:** \$1,000 for lumber and materials

- **Labor:** Jim Slee to assist with labor
- Notes reflect the amount required **two votes**, and the **first vote passed by voice vote**.

14. Good of the Order

- Nothing new reported.

Lecturer's Reflection – Jerry Barta

- Gospel reflection: Jesus casting out a demon
- Challenge issued to attend Mass beyond Sundays
- Invitation to Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday

Grand Knight's Summary

- Summary suspended; noted the year is beginning to get busy.

15. Closing

- **Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney**
- **Prayer Intention:** SK Carlos Olivarez – surgery and recovery
- **Adjournment:** Meeting closed at **8:14 PM**

Recorded from notes provided by: SK Brandon D. Story

Minutes prepared by: SK Nick Cumberland, Recorder