

**Knights of Columbus Council 11809**  
**Membership Meeting Minutes, October 13, 2022**  
**See attached Slide Presentation for Reference**

- 1) Meeting called to Order @ 6:10PM with 32 Council Members in attendance**
- 2) Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance (Slides 2 & 3)**
- 3) GK Kluch made a quick announcement reminder about the second showing in local theaters of “Mother Teresa” on Nov.2<sup>nd</sup>.**
- 4) GK Kluch read the September Membership Meeting Minutes and asked for any revisions with Larry Loseke motioning to accept the Minutes as presented and Joe Shanks seconding the motion. The Minutes were approved unanimously. (Slide 4)**
- 5) Chaplain/Lecturer: (Slide 4)**
  - a) Fr. Bill presented a short historical lecture on the Rosary with October being the Month of Mary, the Rosary is an important weapon of our Lady’s Armamentarium. The Rosary can be traced back centuries before the time of Christ. Monks would meditate on Psalms, moving the beads as they prayed them. Historically, St Dominic was associated with the Rosary development, although, Church History does not back this up. Many folks in the early centuries could not read, therefore, they would reflect on the 150 Hail Mary’s (as we knew the early Rosary before the Luminous Mystery came about) matching the 150 Psalms at that time. Starting in the 12<sup>th</sup> Century up to the 16<sup>th</sup> Century the Rosary came to be recognized as we know it today, it was named “The Rosarium” or “Rose Garden”. Pope Pius V in 1569, incorporated the Our Father and Glory Be into the 5 Mysteries as in the present Rosary. Pius V urged all Christianity to pray the Rosary upon the advent of Europe being invaded by the Muslim forces at that time. Christianity might have been extinguished by the Muslims but Our Lady of the Rosary listened to the plight of Europe praying the Rosary and the Christian Forces overcame the Muslims saving our Faith. The modern Rosary was revised with the addition of the Luminous Mysteries in 2002 (Pope John Paul II) and has remained the same today.**
  - b) Rich Stone, our Lecturer, spoke on the Rosary and its Mysteries in conjunction with Discipleship and Evangelization. He emphasized that Vatican II wove 16 documents (through 3 Popes) into the Evangelization and Discipleship movements of today. John Paul II said “We encounter Jesus through Mary” She is our conduit to the Lord. John Paul had a deep love for Our Lady of Guadalupe and Her efforts to guide us through Evangelism. Rich introduced the new Study Groups forming at Our Lady of Lourdes , Nov 10<sup>th</sup> to Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>. “Into His Hands” will consist of video presentations and study groups to follow during this 6 week period. He urged us all to participate in this Program. Rich also reminded us of the upcoming Arizona Rosary Celebration at the Phoenix C.C. on Sunday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> and the Rosary Celebration at Our Lady of Lourdes on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> after the 8:30AM Mass.**

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**6) Grand Knights Report: (Slides 5 & 6)**

- a) GK Kluch again requested that someone step up and assume the role of Life Director, which is a very important Council office, especially today! Please reflect on this request!
- b) Jake covered the remainder of the Special Events for October:
  - October 13<sup>th</sup>- Baby shower after tonight's membership meeting
  - October 16<sup>th</sup>- Bernadette's Brew Sunday after both Masses
  - October 16<sup>th</sup>- AZ Rosary Celebration at Phoenix C.C.
  - October Weekends-Tootsie Roll (CPID) before and after all Masses, ends Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>
- c) GK Kluch outlined the Special Events Calendars for November and December:
  - November 2<sup>nd</sup>-Encore presentation of "Mother Teresa"- Local theatres
  - Veteran's Day- Joe Shanks to coordinate Flag Presentation and Lunch after 8:30AM Mass that day. Stay tuned for Bulletin Announcement on this.
  - Turkey Drives-Nov 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> at the Two Parking Lots (OLL and Posse Lots) See Joe Kowalkowski for Sign Up Sheets
  - Breakfast with Santa-Dec 15<sup>th</sup> , there has been no confirmation of this at this time.
  - Coates 4 Kids-Dec 19<sup>th</sup>- Valley View Food Bank (107<sup>th</sup> & Peoria). More details coming.
- d) Jake mentioned the efforts of Council and Auxiliary Members who contributed to the success of our Events: Dave & Lori Lara, Bob Gusich, Mike Hug, Bob Conen, Zeke Spanelli, Wait Kelm, Ken Blick, Deven Michel, Fr Bill Fournier, Rich Stone, Joe & Harriet Kowalkowski, Larry & Elsie Loseke, Jim & Pat Michel, Mike & Sue Ward, Cary King, Fred & Pat Stow, Cathy Armstrong, Dwight McMichael and Tom Scott.

**7) Treasurer's Report: Mike Ward reported on the following: (See Slide 7 and actual report)**

- a) Significant Income: \$50.00 Food Drive Rebate (shown as pass through from Supreme) \$20 donation and \$29 from 50/50.
- b) Significant Expenses: \$1004.00 Coats 4 Kids (\$2072 budgeted, actual \$2136)
  - \$110 (food/water for Drives (shown as a negative budget item)
  - \$50 Food Bank Donation (shown as a pass-thru)
  - \$24 bank fees (\$88 budgeted/actual \$150)
  - \$279 Feather Flag for Events (shown as negative \$279 not budgeted)
- c) Future Financial Issues:
  - Overdue Dues (\$1070)
  - Out of Budget FYTD (<\$2928>)
  - Seminarian (\$2,000)

Mike reported that he will withdraw monies from our Council CD and hopefully pay it back later in the year when the deficit is caught up.

- 8) Financial Secretary Report: Bob Charlebois reported that we now have over 200 members registered in our Council. (Slide 7)

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- a) Bob is working on our newly registered members for their 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification at St. Claire of Assisi on Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>. We have three Council Members that will be inducted then: Carlos Alexander, Quentin Hebert and Don Colamesta.
- b) Bob expressed concern about Council Members who are not up to date with their dues and will be working on this as well. This effects our entire Council budget wise!
- 9) Faith Director Rich Stone reminded us again of the following: (Slide 8)
- a) AZ Rosary Celebration at the Phoenix C.C., Oct 16<sup>th</sup>
- b) Spiritual Reflection Program at OLL, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>-Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Rich also discussed the Eucharistic Canopy to be purchased by the Council. We found that Joe Shanks had already purchased one and would be willing to sell it to us. Rich will discuss with the Catholic Daughters and Fr. John about a three-way split of the Canopy cost (\$743.56). He will report back to the Council on this.
- 10) Community Director: Joe Kowalkowski motioned to approve a \$500 expenditure for a white tent to be used at our outdoor drives/events. Herb Strider seconded the motion with Council unanimously approving the motion for this expense. (Slide9)
- a) Joe also discussed the upcoming proposed drives for wheelchairs and walkers. Discussion centered on the liability issue of motorized wheelchair malfunctioning with various ideas on working with a Mexican Council being a conduit for the motorized wheelchairs. Joe Shanks offered to contact the State Council in order to align us with a Mexican Council for this purpose. More on this soon.
- 11) Family Directors: (Slide 9)
- a) Jim Andrews and Ken Blick will be serving as our Family Directors.
- b) Jim spoke about some planned upcoming ideas such as Food Drives, Rosary Events, Breakfasts. Many of the things we are doing now should be accounted for towards our Council Columbian Award points. More info will be forthcoming.
- GK Kluch reported that our recent Tootsie Roll Drive (CIPD Drive) was a success netting \$3185! (Slide10)
- Jim Riff presented an idea of stuffing the weekly Church Bulletin for our upcoming events but Cary King noted that we do keep up with Bulletin announcements monthly.
- 12) Ladies Auxiliary: Holding the Spiritual Adoption Baby Shower after this meeting. Please remain and support our Ladies! (Slide 12)
- 13) Insurance: Gary Kwapiszeski, our Field Agent, spoke about the various K of C offerings

**such as Life, Term, Special Needs Planning and Business Insurance. These all tie in with the original ideas that Fr McGivney had in mind when he founded the Knights. Insurance for the families of the Knights was a cornerstone of his principles! A very good reflection on Fr. McGivney's life and how we can improve by his life's work and actions!**

**14) Meeting adjourned & Prayer for Fr. McGivney's Canonization at 7:10PM (Slides 13& 14)  
Jim Michel, Council 11809 Recorder**