

Knights of Columbus Council 11809
Membership Meeting Minutes, February 9, 2023

- 1. Meeting called to order @ 6PM with 42 Council Members in attendance.**
- 2. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 3. Minutes read by GK Kluch with a motion by Jim Andrews to approve the Minutes and Fr. Bill Fournier seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved unanimously.**
- 4. Carl Jarvis, past GK of our Council and FN Joe Shanks were recognized and welcomed by the Council as introduced by GK Kluch.**
- 5. Supreme Challenge: Fr. Bill spoke on the Monthly Challenge of curbing our tongues and avoiding bad language. Fr Bill spoke about bad language becoming a habit and starting a new course of prayer to the Lord. Breaking our bad habits of language and doing our Lenten Penance as a means of getting closer to the Lord. Once we start on this Lenten course, hopefully, it will become a habit in a good direction, that is, moving towards God!**
- 6. Grand Knight Report:**
 - a. GK Kluch reported the ongoing need for members to step up in need to fill the positions of DGK, Program Director and Raffle Ticket salesmen.**
 - b. GK mentioned the need for ticket salesmen at all Masses through May with a sign-up sheet being presented (see attached).**
 - c. GK reported a nice turnout for the Mother Teresa Movie on Sunday, Jan. 15th with over 90 in attendance, raising \$400 in donations to Mother Teresa's order. GK thanked all who helped to make it the success it was: Matt Stuart (Piano), Sue & Mike Ward, Tom Metzger and Cary King. If additional people were not mentioned, an apology was issued by GK.**
 - d. Upcoming Events:**
 - i. February 12th-Eucharistic Celebration (Rich Stone presented) with Procession after the 11 AM Mass from OLL to Beardsley Park with Eucharistic Benediction and Picnic to follow. Volunteer sheets distributed for sign up to carry the Canopy, flag bearers and additional help at the Beardsley Park. Order of the Procession was also outlined.**
 - ii. February 16th- Food Drive at OLL and Posse Parking Lots 8AM-2PM. Sign up sheets again were presented at the meeting.**
 - iii. February 17th- St. Valentine Dinner at OLL outlined by Mike Ward.**
 - iv. February 19th:-Bernadette's Brew 9 & 11 AM Masses help needed.**

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- v. **March 3rd.-First Lenten Fish Fry- Mike Ward and Rich Stone jointly presented the outline for the meals with Rich handling the inside food preparation and Mike, the outside tables and monies. Sign-up sheets were presented with all membership encouraged to participate. Meals will be priced at \$10 and \$12. Dinner will run from 4 to 6PM.**
- vi. **February 20-23rd -Catholic Daughters Rummage Sale at OLL. All help will be greatly appreciated.**
- vii. **March 6th- Officers Planning Meeting in the McGivney Room**
- viii. **March 9th- Membership Meeting in Madonna Hall, Rosary at 5:30PM. Meeting to follow after the Rosary @ 6PM.**
- e. **Introduction of our newest Council Member, Terry Horst. Brother Jim Michel motioned for Council to accept Terry with Fred Malcom seconding the motion. Council approved his membership unanimously. Terry was then ushered into the Hall and spoke briefly on his background. He is looking forward to participating in our future events such as the upcoming Fish Fry. Council gave Terry a warm welcome!**
- f. **Rich Stone noted that he attended the TCP Golf Tournament with Council Member, Dwight McMichael. Rich reported that Dwight won the putting contest and received an award. Council gave Dwight a huge attaboy!**
- g. **Raffle Ticket Sales: GK Kluch reported that our first month's goal was \$3841 with actual coming in at \$4031. 2022 donations to our three charities were \$2,430 each. If we make our goal of 5% increase overall then we could donate \$2,560 to those three charities. If we continue at last months' pace then we could donate \$2,688 to the three charities or make a donation of \$2,016 adding a fourth charity (Hushabye Nursery which will be covered later in the meeting). We are doing well this year! Keep up the good work! We need more members to pick up their tickets and help following up on the no show envelopes with phone and actual home deliveries. This will act as a good outreach to help members keep in touch with the Council and bringing our Roster up to date! Please help us with these membership follow-ups!**

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Joe Kowalkowski received a \$50 gift card for being top salesman in 2022 with over \$5k in sales! Dave Lara and Larry Loseke came in 2nd and 3rd respectively with \$1980 and \$1000 in sales. Bob Conen received the first month's 2023 top salesman award and received a \$50 gift card as well. Congratulations to all above for their efforts!

7. GK Kluch introduced Ed Hoover, a Brother Knight, who told us about Hushabye Nursery, an organization that works and cares for addictive mothers and their babies, aiding in their recovery from drug and alcohol abuse from conception through childhood. Ed requested help from the Council in supporting this very worthwhile group. We will consider this as a fourth charity recipient if we can surpass our 5% goal increase from 2022.
8. Treasurer's Report: Mike Ward reported on the following:
Income: \$1268 in Dues YTD, \$388 Donations from Mother Teresa Movie which is a pass through to the Mother Teresa Order of Nuns, and a general \$65 donation to the Council in this period. Expenses: \$250 Donation to the SCW Broadcasting Club for work done on our behalf announcing our Charitable Events, \$200 to Special Olympics, \$400 for Per Capita to Supreme and \$323 for our Liability Insurance. See attached Treasurer's Report.
9. Financial Secretary Report: GK Kluch briefly touched upon New Membership mentioning Terry Horst again as our newest Member and also mentioning the Memorial Mass for Frank Sass at Prince of Peace. John Heep is continuing his efforts up at Vistancia on a monthly basis and working on future membership activities.
10. GK Kluch reported the upcoming Prince of Peace Golf Outing and asked us to kindly support this worthwhile effort for our new Council there.
11. Mike Ward noted a budgeted item voted on in August regarding a \$150 contribution to the Priests Appreciated Dinner for the record.
12. District Deputy: Joe Shanks updated Council on the following:
February 17th – Priest Appreciation Dinner Downtown
February 25th- Fourth Degree Exemplification@ Our Lady of Sorrows-Tucson. Joe updated his wife's (Debbie) condition.

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She will be undergoing tests on February 28th and will know more after those are completed. Please keep Debbie in your Prayers!

Joe also discussed updating your funeral form with Supreme so the K of C can be notified upon death and make sure Knights can participate at a Member's funeral with the family's wishes.

Joe also mentioned the Chalice Ceremony where a 4th Degree Knight can be memorialized with a Chalice that is presented to a Bishop, Priest, Parish and/or a Mission in his memory. A very moving ceremony!

13.Ladies Auxiliary: GK Kluch reminded us again on the February 17th St. Valentine's Dinner.

14.Good of the Order: GK Kluch mentioned the following deceased members: Frank Sass and Joe Everitt, keeping them in your prayers. Also the sick members and their Families: Debbie Shanks, Gail Perrault, Mrs. John Heep and Justine Everitt.

Herb Strider update is welcomed news that he is cancer free!

**Herb is also nominated for Knight of the Month! Congratulations Herb!
Ralph Martinez now is a Honorary Life Member!**

15.Final reminder on the following:

Feb 12^t- Eucharistic Celebration

Feb 16th-Food Drive

Feb 17th-St Valentine's Dinner

Feb 19th-Bernadette's Brew

Mar 3rd- First Fish Fry

16.Meeting Adjourned and Prayer for Fr. McGivney's Canonization at 7:05 PM.