

# Knights of Columbus Council 11809

## Membership meeting minutes August 8, 2024

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. with members in attendance. We welcomed guest and soon to be Brother Knight Jeff Boas, and our Fraternal Benefits Representative Gary K.
2. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Grand Knight Bob Conen reviewed the minutes from the July membership meeting for all and requested any revisions from the floor. Motion to accept minutes from Jake Kluch, seconded by Dennis Hirth. The minutes were unanimously approved.
4. Grand Knights Report:
  - a. There was a council planning session that resulted in the calendar and supporting documents distributed by DGK Ed Hoover.
  - b. Officer installation will take place before the member meeting on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. The officer planning meeting, open to all members, is Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. in the Fr. McGivney room
    - i. Reminder about Bernadette's Brew THIS weekend (August 11<sup>th</sup>) AND BEFORE our next member meeting – Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>!!

### 5. Treasurers Report: Mike Ward

#### a. Income :

- i. Dues \$720
- ii. Coats for Kids/Bobby's Coats donation \$1800, \$1200

#### b. Expenditures:

- i. Our Lady of Lourdes \$1600
- ii. Supreme Military Chaplain fund \$1600
- iii. Supreme Per Capita \$373
- iv. TV mass, Posse, Radio \$250 each
- v. Arizona Rosary Celebration Ad \$300 (Treasurer & PR Chair to develop ad)

### 6. Membership & Financial Secretary: Bob Charlebois excused for wife medical care

New Members: Daniel Thueringer

Rick Horrish

Raymond Gross

Jeff Boas

Peter Penkaliski

Transfers: Br David Bradfield

7. Faith: Richard Stone

- a. EWTN highlights and fall schedules distributed
  - i. Eucharistic Revival re-broadcast
  - ii. Saints and Scoundrels re-enactment
  - iii. Doctors of the Church
- b. Completed Faith activities
  - i. Weekly Eucharistic Adoration continuing on Thursdays after Divine Mercy (10 a.m.) until 6 p.m.
- c. Next upcoming Faith activities
  - i. CoR! September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2:30 to 4 p.m., Fr. McGivney room. This is for all men, Catholic or not. It includes small group formations.
  - ii. ARC is 10/27/2024
  - iii. Council will host “welcome back” meal on November 14<sup>th</sup> as a pot luck, prior to the member meeting

8. Community: Father Bill

- a. Completed:
- b. Upcoming:
  - i. September 19<sup>th</sup> food drive, 2 locations, 8 a.m. to noon
  - ii. 11/20-21 Turkey Drive
  - iii. Coats for Kids/Bobby’s Coats costs completely covered by donations, plus \$200 for ‘25
  - iv. Donations will be solicited for gift cards
  - v. Hand out Coats for Kids December 7<sup>th</sup> at Valley View, Santa Teresita TBD

9. Family: Ed Hoover

- a. Completed
  - i. 24-25 council plan and calendar distributed for review and input
  - ii. New activity to thank wives of Knights initiated, need to update your record with your wedding anniversary. Please send that info to FS or GK
  - iii. Family of the Month; This is NOT restricted to Knight families, or “mom dad kids” family; could be any parish member(s) who are exemplary servants to our parish community
  - iv. Knight of the Month: John Heep for August, for exemplary work as membership director
  - v. KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS MAGNETS (and perhaps “vinyl cling”)– SPREAD THE WORD! Who or what should be our target charity for this fundraiser?
  - vi. Future plans include Family Fully Alive in Christmas season

10. Life – DGK Jim Michel

- a. Jim is withdrawing from the Life leader for Faith in Action. We need another leader for these programs, which include, March for Life, Special Olympics, Ultrasound program, Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP), Christian Refugee Relief, Silver Rose, Mass for People with Special Needs. PLEASE STEP UP – THE COUNCIL NEEDS SOMEONE TO LEAD OUR PRO-LIFE EFFORTS
- b. Completed:
- c. Next:
  - i. Tootsie Roll (CPID) participation decision
  - ii. Ultrasound briefing from First Way Pregnancy Center

11. Public Relations – Charles Leddon

- a. Please notify Charles well in advance of events to he can publicize properly
- b. His email is [C\\_LEDDON@YAHOO.COM](mailto:C_LEDDON@YAHOO.COM).

12. Old Business:

- a. None

13. New Business:

- a. None

14. Fraternal Benefits

- a. Use code GKWAP when signing up new members to give them first year free membership.
- b. Every Knight's fraternal benefits include accidental death insurance, which may include up to \$20,000 for dependent child's college expenses.
- c. A Knight can continue to purchase whole life policies up to age 80, term life policies up to age 70. There are tax and other financial benefits to doing so.
- d. Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors can accommodate investments from ANY Catholic who wants to invest in companies that support pro-life activities, at about half the fees of commercial advisors.
- e. An Agent/Fraternal Benefits Advisor recently left to enter the seminary, prayers are requested for his successful completion.

15. Good of the Order:

- a. Prayer List: Joey and Lili Kowalkowski, Terry Horst, Gail Perrault, Richard Benjamin, Debbie Shanks, Kaye Heep, Pete Rimlinger, Bob Conen, Jake Kluch, Jacob Kwapiszeski

16. Ladies Auxiliary Social Group

- a. They are hosting the Baby Shower to benefit First Way Pregnancy Center at the member meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup>. A list of needed items will be distributed.
- b. They are available to assist, as always, with council activities.

17. Fourth Degree

- a. Joe Shanks is resigning as Faithful Navigator to provide care for his wife, Debbie, who continues to be challenged by cancer complications. A volunteer Sir Knight is needed to lead the Chapter.

18. 50/50 winner Dennis Hirth

19. Father McGivney Closing Prayer.

**20. Meeting Adjourned at 7:xx P.M.**

21. Recorder Ken Blick