



**Knights of Columbus  
Council #1221  
Business Meeting Minutes  
August08<sup>th</sup>, 2024**



**Call to Order**

Thursday, August8th, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

**Warden's Report on Membership Card**

Bro. Dan Gulley: All present are current members.

**Opening Prayer**

TheLord's Prayer was said by all.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

**Special Guest**

- Anna Wissel provided an update on the upcoming Christmas Craft Fair
- Oct 26<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Anna has created a flyer, information packet for vendors, website, and will be mapping the hall to determine how many vendor spaces are available

**Reading of and Approval Minutes of Previous Meeting**

- The meeting minutes for Julywere sent out via email and placed at the bar prior to the meeting for review. The minutes were read and accepted by all.

**Chaplain's Message: Fr. Jeremy Gries**

- Today is the Feast Day of St. Dominic, father of the order of preachers, a great community of religious life. St. Dominic is most famous for spreading the devotion to the rosary, as our lady appeared to him and helped him to learn about the Rosary and to turn to her son through her and her intercession. Particularly in his age, St. Dominic worked through his ministry and teachings against a heresy of his day, the Alvegensian Heresy, which essentially said "Spirit good, material bad", though it's more complicated than that. One of the nice things about the Rosary is that it reminds of the physicalness of Jesus. Just as St. Francis helped give us the cresh and the stations of the cross to help us enter into the humanness of Jesus, the Rosary does the same thing by helping draw us closer to Mary, and to meditate upon the life of Jesus through the son of Mary. As we think about that lie that exists in the world, that somehow spiritual things are good and the body and material world are bad, to respond to that through coming closer to Mary who helps facilitate in incarnation of Jesus coming in the flesh to be with us. Always keeping that at the heart of who we are as Christian men, that we have this realization that we're not just spirits or minds, but also bodies. We encounter God in our physicalness as well. We can do that as we pray the physical, let the beads roll through our fingers, as we draw near

Jesus to his mother Mary.

### **Grand Knight's Report: WGK Matt Lincoln**

- Thanks for everyone that attended the National Eucharistic Congress and Pilgrimage
- We will be sponsoring a banner at Providence at the Football Field for a cost of \$350
  - Motion made and passed
- Donation (\$100) made to New Albany High School Cross Country Team
- In process in working on the lift preparation and installation
  - Demo work has started
- Upcoming events:
  - August 17<sup>th</sup>: Alan Donner (OLPH) Benefit Night: Euchre Tournament
  - August 30<sup>th</sup>: Holy Family 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat
  - Sept 6<sup>th</sup>: First Fish Fry (Staying open late for Providence families to come eat after the football game)
  - Sept 7<sup>th</sup>: Grill team at Cardinal Ritter House for hot dogs
  - Sept 7<sup>th</sup>: Party during the afternoon at the hall
  - Sept 14<sup>th</sup>: Gibault Golf Scramble at Valley View GC
  - Sept 21<sup>st</sup>: St. Mary Multi-Cultural Festival – serving soft drinks
  - Sept 21<sup>st</sup>: Mountfest at Mt. St. Francis
  - October: Harvest Homecoming
- Polo shirts: order forms are available. We encourage members to wear them to mass on the first weekend of the month
- Need volunteers to help finish the wall in the game room – See WGK
- District Meeting here August 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. – WGK, F.S., and any program directors should attend
- Thanks to Bro. Steve Byerley for transporting the grill to Bro. Brodfehrur's house
- Have a vacancy on the board for the CBC – those people interested should like WGK know. Will be announced three times

### **Deputy Grand Knight's Report: DGK Ron Webber**

- Blood drives – Here every two weeks
  - Celebrated our 100<sup>th</sup> drive recently
  - Over 3400 units of blood donated. We're the top in the state in terms of donations

### **Treasurer's Report: Bro. John Kaiser**

- At the end of July, the General Fund has \$43,245, the Gaming Fund is at \$26,044 and the CBC Fund has \$158,331
  - *(For new members, CBC stands for The Columbia Building Corporation which is a separate entity from Knights of Columbus 1221. Each 1221 member is also a shareholder in the CBC)*
- All bills are paid and up to date.
- Half of lift payments have been paid.
- Assessments (semi-annual)
  - State - \$4642

- Supreme - \$1019.33

### **Balloting for Membership: Bro. Chris Gahagen**

- New Members for the month of August:
  - Mark Huber (SMK)
  - Seminarian Joshua Russell (HF)
- New Members for the 2024-2025 Fraternal Year (4 this year):
  - Bob Naville
  - Mark Huber (SMK)
  - Seminarian Joshua Russell (HF)
- Pending
  - Donnie Missi (going through exemplification)
  - David Allen Creagon (will contact)
  - Ryan Raelson (Holy Family)

### **Financial Secretary's Report: Bro. Chris Gahagen**

- 2024 dues have been mailed out
- 58 members have not paid their dues (about 20% of the council)
- Have hit our goal for 15 members for '23-'24

### **New Business:**

- Special Olympics – Polar Plunge
  - Bro. Eric Hunter is preparing for this year's event in February
  - Proposal made to get capes with the KofC logo on them
- 88.1 WNAS is our local high school radio channel
  - The oldest high school ran program in the U.S.
  - The program is asking for donations through commercials and advertisements
  - A packet was provided to review for future consideration
- New Albany Fire Department donation requested for National Fire
  - \$300 donation motion made and passed
- A summary is available of our donations thus far this year (over \$15,000) to local charities and causes

### **Report of Service Program Committees:**

- **Program Director: Bro. Greg Brodfurher**
  - Cardinal Ritter Day is coming up soon
    - Cardinal Ritter was known for desegregating Catholic school during his day
    - Today's segregation is not one of color but one of poverty
    - In honor of Cardinal Ritter, the recommendation is to do a service project to help combat poverty through assembly of backpacks of school supplies
    - Motion made and passed to spend \$580 to purchase supplies for this project
  - Family Picnic on Sept 29<sup>th</sup> at Arami Acres in Georgetown, IN
  - Vocation Fair – January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025

- Looking for volunteers for the planning committee
  - Gibault Golf Scramble
    - We need hole sponsors (\$100) to help make this successful
    - Sponsors can be individuals or companies
- **Community Director: Bro. Kevin Kruer**
  - No report this week
- **Family Director: Bro. Rob Davis**
  - No report this week
- **Culture of Life Director: Bro. Mark Court**
  - Right for Life Louisville is having a 5k Run/Walk at Seneca Park on Sept 21<sup>st</sup>
  - National March for Life in Washington DC in January
    - Motion made and passed to cover the cost to send two brother Knights to this event
- **Vocation Director: Bro. Greg Brodfurher**
  - No report this week
- **Faith Director: Bro. Ben Wissel**
  - No report this week
- **Health and Service Director: Bro. Ron Webber**
  - No report this week
- **Public Relations Director: Bro. Chris Gahagen**
  - No report this week

**Report of the Fourth Degree:**

- No report this week

**Insurance Field Agent Report– Bro. Phillip Weise**

- No report this week

**District Deputy Report– Bro. Greg Brodfehrer**

- [district35@indianakofc.org](mailto:district35@indianakofc.org)
- District meeting on August 24<sup>th</sup> at the New Albany Council
- Project for the year is Enriching Membership
- New State Deputy – Gil Spesak
- New State Chaplain – Fr. Gregory
- Thanks to everyone that attended the recent Gala and donated
  - We raised over \$13,000 that evening

**Good of the Order**

- Prayers for the good of the order
  - Bro. Mike Albers
  - Bro. Greg Gatsos
  - Bro. Joe Henneke

**Closing Prayer**

- The Hail Mary was said by all.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

Submitted by: Recorder, Dustin Jones, August 8th, 2024

Attested to by: WGK, Matt Lincoln, August 8th, 2024