



**Knights of Columbus
Council #1221
Business Meeting Minutes
February 8th, 2023 2024**



Call to Order

Thursday, February 8th, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. 2024

Warden's Report on Membership Card

Bro. Dan Gulley: All present are current members.

Opening Prayer

The Lord's Prayer was said by all.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Presentation

Two weeks ago, we had a fish fry benefiting Angels in Disguise. We are joined this evening by a representative from Angels in Disguise, Tyler, who is the new secretary/general manager for the organization. On behalf of Angels in Disguise, Tyler thanks the Knights for all of our support. Organizations like the Knights of Columbus help make the work they do possible. Angels in Disguise uses funding and donations to help cover costs for adoptions, surgeries, and community needs for children with Down's Syndrome. This evening, the Knights of Columbus are happy to present a check to Angels in Disguise for \$2500.

Reading of and Approval Minutes of Previous Meeting

- The meeting minutes for January were 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

- Fr. Jeremy is absent this evening.

Grand Knight's Report: WGK John Vernia

- January was a busy month
- WGK attended a pro-life march in Hawaii, led by the local Knights of Columbus
 - Got several good ideas from our brothers in Hawaii
- Fish fry events were both very successful
- Lent is quickly approaching, which is a busy time of the year for us
 - Fish Fry Fridays start up Feb 16th
 - Much of our revenue is generated from our Lenten Fish Fries
 - That revenue is what helps fund our donations to various charities through the year
 - We will need help at all of our Lenten Fish Fries, both during the lunch and dinner hours

Deputy Grand Knight's Report: DGK Ron Webber

- No report this month

Treasurer's Report: Bro. John Kaiser

- At the end of December, the General Fund has \$52,251, the Gaming Fund is at \$30,731 and the CBC Fund has \$120,089. There was no updated report this week.
 - *(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, however we expect bills for the water-proofing efforts to hit in the coming weeks.

Balloting for Membership: Bro. Matt Lincoln - Absent

- New Members for the month of January:
 - Gary Creamer (SJPII)
- New Members for the 2023-2024 Fraternal Year:
 - Brenden Kelly
 - David Harbeson (Holy Family)
 - Luke Naville
 - Joseph Naville
 - Jon (Mike) Bartley
 - Jeff Greenwood (reinstatement)
 - Dominic Morales (transfer)
 - Stephen Fernung (SMK)
 - John Nies (reinstatement)
 - Joseph Hackney (SMNA)
 - Chris Didelot (SMK)
 - Gary Creamer (SJPII)

Financial Secretary's Report: Bro. Matt Lincoln

- 2024 dues have been mailed out
- 122 members have not paid their dues (about 25% of the council)

New Business:

- Vivat Jesus books are available for brother Knights to take and use, courtesy of Bro. Mike Carter
- Fish Frys are a big deal for us
 - Feb 2nd we served 180 lbs of fish
 - First Friday of Lent last year we did 340 lbs of fish
 - We need your help with these events!
 - Please attend, help, bring a dessert, help cleanup, etc
 - Take a flyer and spread the word!
- Guest Speaker Series
 - Fr. Vince Lampert on March 12th will be speaking here at the hall

- Fr. Vince is the exorcist for the Archdiocese
- Need help setting up chairs and prepping the hall
- Free of charge, everyone in the community is welcome to attend

Report of Service Program Committees:

- **Program Director: Bro. Greg Brodfurher**
 - Achieved 17 program points thus far this fraternal year
 - Need to get our brothers to attend the Fraternal Benefits seminars
 - The council will be attempting to set up a benefits night prior to a monthly meeting that would allow our brother knights to attend and get advice from several different KofC benefit faculties
 - Webinars are also a possibility
 - Church drives – we need to do two per year as that’s where we get most of our new members from
 - In process of filing an Outstanding Youth Award for Gracelyn Raeslon for her efforts with the coat drive
 - Recommending that we nominate Fr. Jeremy for the Fr. McGiveny Chaplain Award if someone will help with the paperwork
 - Vocation Day
 - 189 kids this year vs 149 last year
 - Had 8 different religious orders attend
 - Participation was excellent amongst the parishes
 - Several parish priests want to be involved next year
 - Overall, the day was a great success
- **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**
 - Special Olympics Polar Plunge
 - Feb 17th at Deam Lake
 - Bros. Charlie Archer and Matt Lincoln will be plunging
 - Special Olympics does a wonderful job of serving our community, family, friends, and brother Knights
 - Bro. Eric Hunter was our Special Olympics Big 10 ambassador last year, representing the state and our council well
 - Please donate and share on social media
- **Vocation Director: Bro. Greg Brodfehrer**
 - No report this week
- **Faith Director: Bro. Ben Wissel**
 - Holy Hour at SM Navilleton has been postponed due to the date conflicting with Holy Week activities
 - Stations of the Cross – Holy Family on March 19th at 6:00 p.m.
 - Silver Rose – date is still up in the air due to scheduling conflicts
- **Health andService 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

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- Several councils struggle with Safe Environment training
 - The video isn't the important thing from this. The conversations and actions that stem from the video, and the awareness after when planning events is critical.
 - We have to make sure that we are a safe place for kids and families.
- State Convention is important this year as it's an election year
 - It's important to make sure that we send delegates to attend
 - Delegates will be voting on our state level leadership
 - If interested in attending, contact WGK
 - Convention will be in Bloomington, the 3rd weekend in May

Good of the Order

- Prayers for the good of the order
 - Bro. Mike Albers
 - Mary Worden finished her 3rd round of chemo last Friday and is doing well. Please continue your prayers
 - A friend who recently received a heart transplant
 - Teresa Shaw's daughter and (new) granddaughter who was born premature
 - Andi Martin's mother who passed
 - A friend (Cody) who lost his child during childbirth
 - Bro. Don Lincoln

Closing Prayer

- The Hail Mary was said by all.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

Submitted by: Recorder, Dustin Jones, February 8th, 2023

Attested to by: WGK, John Vernia, February 8th, 2023