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Grand Knight's Letter by GK John Hoffman

Worthy Brothers,

PICNIC IS POSTPOSTED

We ran into some scheduling issues. We are postponing the picnic and will choose a date at our next council meeting.

In lieu of the normal rosary, we'll start the evening off with the installation of council officers at 7pm.

The book from last month was "Church of Spies: The Pope's Secret War Against Hitler". A great Catholic History book about what the Vatican accomplished during World War II.

The Into the Breach series continues this month with the video "Family". There is a "battle for the very soul of the family." Men's service of their families requires sacrifice. Greg and Julie Alexander explain how discovering the true nature of marriage transformed their relationship and their family.

The Officers of this council will meet on the First Tuesday of the month is canceled

In 2024, we'll be entering into the final year of the Eucharistic Revival. We need to continue to pray, devote time in front of the Blessed Sacrament, and pray for the Holy Spirit to come down about our Family of Parishes with a softening of hearts that all may see Christ Present.

Also, our Patron, Fr. Michael J. McGiveney is close to Sainthood. We must continue to pray for another miracle to be attributed to him. If you have not done so already, join the Fr. McGiveney guild at https://www.fathermcgivney.org/

Lastly, remember the wonderful gift of the Sacrament of Confession. Take advantage of it often.

Vivat Jesus! John Hoffman Grand Knight Council 14504

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Council 14504 Minutes for June 13th, 2023

Call to Order:

The Council held the meeting in person. The Grand Knight, John Hoffman, called the Council to order at 7:30 pm and led the Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mike Nowak previously e-mailed the Council meeting minutes from May 9th, 2023, to all members via Council newsletter. After motions by Steve Berns and Mike Tortorici, the Council approved the minutes with one correction.

Chaplain's Message:

Nothing reported.

Grand Knight's Report:

The Grand Knight discussed the State Convention, which occurred May 19th-21st 2023, at the Columbus Hilton Downtown, in Columbus, Ohio. Council attendees were John Hoffman and Steve Berns.

The Grand Knight reported on a new state program for the upcoming fraternal year, Evangelical and Faith Formation. He discussed the possibility of a second Council meeting each month specifically for Knight faith formation and development.

The Grand Knight reported on upcoming Fraternal Benefit nights scheduled June 15th and June 27th.

The Grand Knight emphasized the importance of the Eucharistic in our daily lives and discussed the upcoming National Eucharistic Congress, which will be held at Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, IN on July 17th - 21st 2024.

The Grand Knight encouraged Knights to support our "Lady of Light" family by volunteering to assist at Incarnation Church during the upcoming Americana Festival, scheduled July 3rd - 4th. Volunteers are needed to welcome the Centerville community to the Incarnation campus for parking, youth games, and adoration of the Eucharist.

The Council's next meeting will be the Council picnic at the parish pavilion on Tuesday, July 11th. It will include a ceremony to install the officers for the new fraternal year.

Financial Report:

The Treasurer, Mike Nowak, reported deposits, expenses, and account balances.

Membership Report:

State Membership Director Michael Freil reported on the status of the Council and state recruitment efforts. The Council must recruit five more members by the end of June to qualify for Star Council.

Program Reports:

Cal Frank discussed the results of the recent Council mulch sale which made approximately \$4000 this year and on the successful US Flag retirement ceremony which occurred on June 12th. He also reported that he has Council shirts for sale.

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Council 14504 Minutes for June 13th, 2023 (cont)

Michael Tortorici discussed the upcoming trip/pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and Barcelona, now scheduled July 14th - 23rd 2024 with Collette Tours. He also reported on the upcoming parish, "Anniversary Dinner" scheduled August 12th (details will be in the parish bulletin).

Report of the Fourth Degree

Michael Friel reported on the recent passing of Sir Knight Randall O'Connell, Army veteran and active Knight with Council 14400 whose funeral is June 15th at Anderson Funeral Home in Franklin, Ohio. Michael also announced an upcoming Fourth Degree exemplification scheduled in November at St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church.

Field Agent Report

Field Agent, Brien Hartung, was not present.

District Deputy Report

Next fraternal year's District Deputy will be Sir Knight John Brown from St Charles

Borromeo parish in Kettering.

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

Cal Frank made a motion for the Council to donate \$500 to the KofC Ukraine Solidarity Fund next fraternal year (after July 1st). Steve Berns seconded the motion, and the Council subsequently approved the motion.

Steve Berns made a motion for the Council to donate \$500 to seminarian Ben Mersch, who is interning at our Lady of Light this summer. Mike Tortorici seconded, and the Council subsequently approved the motion.

Lecturer's Reflection

The Council watched the video entitled, "Fatherhood" from the KofC "Into the Breach" series.

Good of the Order

Knight of the Month – Michael Freil

Family of the Month – Skip and Jeannette Fromm family

All are asked to pray for Father Brian Phelps, Randall O'Connell, Paul Quolke, Dan Pfeiffer, John Hoffman's uncle (Bob), Bob Whitehouse, Jim Deime, Kerry Taylor's father, and all those in need of our prayers.

Chuck Martinson won the 50/50 drawing. Bob Luppino was not present to win the Attendance Prize.

Adjournment:

Grand Knight, John Hoffman, closed the meeting with the Prayer for Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney at 8:23 pm.

Submitted by Recorder, Joe Schmidt

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- 4 Fourth of July
- 11 Council Meeting: Rosary: 7:00 PM / Council Meeting 7:30 PM
- 16 Donut Sunday

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- 8 Officers' Mtg
- 15 Council Meeting: Rosary: 7:00 PM / Council Meeting 7:30 PM
- 20 Donut Sunday

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