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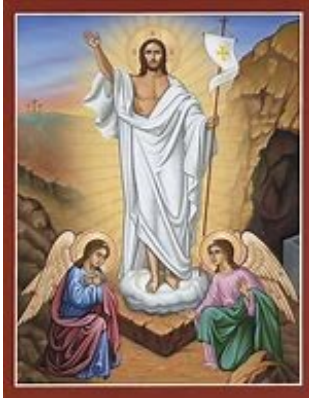
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Council 14504

Grand Knight's Letter by GK John Hoffman



Worthy Brothers,

We need members to step up and fill different roles as the point people for several projects. We also need a team of people to take over for Cal on the mulch sales. Still we need someone to chair the COR initiative that has been discussed. We need someone to set up and be the meeting recorder.

The book from last month was “Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of the Faith”. A wonderful book about what it means to be a Catholic.

The Into the Breach series continues this month with the video “Prayer”. Prayer must be a priority in the life of a man. Eucharistic adoration, reading scripture and saying the rosary are central to prayer. Robert Feeney tells his story of the power of prayer on the battlefield in Vietnam and life in general.

The Officers of this council will meet on the First Tuesday of the month in room 6.

We have our Spaghetti Dinner schedule for September 30th. Look for more information to volunteer.

On Sunday, September 10th, we'll be providing the food for the Families of the Religious Education students. This is a great time to reach out to the fathers and in an effort to develop Good, Catholic fathers. These RE children need fathers active in their faith as an example to follow!

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. McGivney 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. McGivney 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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Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser—September 30th



The Council will hold a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday September 30th after the 4:30 Mass to support our Seminarians. Stay tuned for details and for volunteers to help cook, serve and clean.

Council 14504 Minutes for August 8th, 2023

Call to Order:

The meeting was held 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

Council meeting minutes from July, 2023 were previously e-mailed to all members. After motions by Ken Haacke and Bob Komoff, the Council approved the minutes as published.

Chaplain's Message:

Nothing reported.

Grand Knight's Report:

The Grand Knight advised that the Order has placed greater focus upon the need for evangelization within not only the membership, but also within parishes. It was noted that only 33% of practicing Catholics recognize the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. It was also noted the existence of the traditional family in which the father demonstrates participation in church activities has become rare.

The Grand Knight encouraged all to read, "Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of Faith", by author Bishop Robert Barron.

The Grand Knights advised that the Order has developed a COR program that is intended to provide another form of evangelization outside of council meetings. Any member interested in the activity is invited to contact the Grand Knight.

It was announced that there will be a Corporal Communion mass on Saturday, August 12 along with presentation of the CUF degrees in church and a picnic in the picnic shelter or Friendship Hall.

All were advised that a Recorder is needed along with a Newsletter Editor.

All were advised that there is need to approve the list of Chapter delegates, chapter dues of \$30, donation of \$50 for Fr. Paterka fund, donation of \$50 for VA support and \$500 for picnic expenses.

The Grand Knight advised that the audit is due August 15.

Financial Report:

The Treasurer, Joe Schmidt, reported that there were deposits totaling \$76.63 and expenses of \$3,033. The checking balance is now at \$7,843.21. The savings balance is \$15,536.58.

Membership Report:

No applications to report.

Program Reports:

Mike Manzo reported that the next Euchre party will be on August 12 at 7 PM. He also reported that sign-up sheets are available for the Men's Club golf outing scheduled for August 27.

Steve Berns reported that Assembly color corps members attended the mass concelebrated by the bishop visiting from the Philippines and attended the blessing of the new ultrasound machine at the Dayton location of Elizabeth New Life Center. Steve advised that a 4th degree exemplification is being planned for November 18 at St. Francis.

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Council 14504 Minutes for August 8th, 2023 (cont)

Field Agent Report

Field Agent was not present.

District Deputy Report

District Deputy verified that the audit is due by August 15.

Unfinished Business:

There is not unfinished business.

New Business:

The Financial Secretary was not able to attend.

Sean Gammon and Bob Komoff motioned to allow up to \$500 for picnic expenses and the motion was approved. Ken Haacke and Jeff Travers motioned to donate \$30 for chapter dues, \$50 for Fr. Paterka fund and \$50 for VA fund. The council approved. Bob Komoff and Jeff Travers motioned that the Chapter Delegates be John Hoffman, Michale Freil and Steve Berns along with alternates Sean Gammon and Ken Haacke. The council approved.

Deacon Ben Mersch was presented with a \$500 check.

Good of the Order

Knight of the Month – Jeff Travers

Family of the Month – Andy and Noelle Devito.

All are asked to pray for Father Brian Phelps, Paul Quolke, Dan Pfeiffer, Jim Deime, seminarians and the success of the Missionary Disciple Formation program.

Jason Bradberry 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 8:36 pm.

Submitted by Acting Recorder, Trustee Steve Berns

September Birthdays			
Jim Deime	2	Charles Martinson	23
Gene Metter	4	Tom Claude	24
Shawn McManany	16	Richard Cramer	28
Patrick Burger	21	Greg Nartker	28
Peter Burger	21	Timothy Obringer	28
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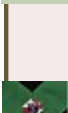


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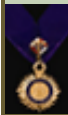
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