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Grand Knight's Letter by GK John Hoffman



Worthy Brothers,

We have a great council with many active members at our local, diocesan and state levels. However, many of our program leaders who have been working in this council for decades are looking to step down and let young people continue on this mission of this council. 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 as an officer and fill the recorder role.

This month, on October 7th & 8th, we'll have a recruitment table after each mass. Please assist after mass to recruit new members. We'll vote on any new members on our Tuesday meeting and hold a degree after the 4:30pm mass on October 14th.

The book from last month was "Heretics". This is part of GK Chesterton's apologies.

The Into the Breach series continues this month with the video "Suffering". Suffering is a mystery which can bring us closer to God and help us grow in holiness. The answer to suffering is Jesus Christ. Frank Ramirez shares his story of responding to intense suffering by worshipping God.

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

The council business meeting will be on the Second Tuesday of the month in the All Saints Room.

We had a wonderful kickoff event for the middle school "EDGE" program. Our council fed over 80 families, about 350 people. Without our help, this wonderful start to something new would not have been possible.

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.

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Vivat Jesus!

John Hoffman

Grand Knight Council 14504

Council 14504 Minutes for September 12th, 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 August, 2023 were previously e-mailed to all members. After motions by Danny Sprouse and Sean Gammon, the Council approved the minutes as published.

Chaplain's Message:

Nothing reported.

Grand Knight's Report:

The Grand Knight shared that member of K of C Council 630 prayed for the 166 members who went to serve during World War 2 and that all members returned home safely.

All were advised that the Coats for Kids goal set by Supreme would involve the purchase of 6 cases of coats. A motion will be invited for the purchase of 4 cases of youth size coats and 2 cases of teen size coats at the cost of \$1598.

It was announced that the Knights at Holy Family are planning a Rosary Rally and that a \$100 contribution is suggested.

The Walk to End Alzheimer's will be held at Day Air Field on September 30th.

A recruitment table will be scheduled for the first weekend of October along with a CUF following the 4:30 PM mass on the next weekend.

Financial Report:

The Treasurer, Joe Schmidt, reported that there were deposits totaling \$573.19 and expenses of \$1927.87. The checking balance is now at \$6488.53. The savings balance is \$15,536.71.

Membership Report:

Transfer applications from William Paton and Stuart Harvey were reported. Cal Frank and Michael Tortorici motioned in favor of the application for Harvey. Steve Berns and Don Hirst motioned in favor of the application for William Paton. The council voted to accept both applications.

Program Reports:

Mike Manzo reported that the next spaghetti dinner will be after the 4:30 PM mass on September 30th and that there will be a Men's Club fish fry on November 17th.

Michael Tortorici provided information on the Pilgrimage trip being planned for July, 2024.

Michael Friel advised that a 4th degree exemplification is being planned for November 18 at St. Francis.

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St. Vincent DePaul will be in need of donations for Thanksgiving starting on October 30th for the distribution on November 19th.

Joe Schmidt invited all to consider That Man is You.

Field Agent Report

Field Agent was not present.

District Deputy Report

District Deputy advised that the Council was awarded the Columbian Award. It was noted that Safe Environment training is due by October 1st, that Matching Funds are due by November 15th and that a Director of Evangelization is needed for the COR activity.

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

Sean Gammon and Michael Friel for \$1598 towards the Coats for Kids program. Cal Frank and Danny Sprouse motioned to table the expense due to the cost. The council then voted in favor to table the motion. Steve Berns and Danny Sprouse motioned to contribute \$100 to the Walk to End Alzheimer's and the council voted in favor. Cal Frank and Danny Sprouse motioned to donate \$500 to four seminarians. Michael Friel and Danny Sprouse motioned to table the donation and that council voted in favor.

Good of the Order

Knight of the Month – Dan Turner

Family of the Month – Michael and Linda Tortorici.

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

Christopher Corcum 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 8:22 pm.

Submitted by Acting Recorder, Trustee Steve Berns

Grand Knight



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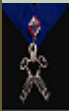


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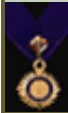
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