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Grand Knight's Letter by GK John Hoffman



Brothers,

Thank you all that helped out with the grilling for the Parish Picnic! This event helped bring our two campuses together as one Beacon of Light!

Looking ahead at a busy month, we got Fellowship Donut Sunday on September 15th. Please consider helping out. Fellowship Sunday is every third Sunday after the 8:30 and 11 masses. It only takes a little bit of your time but helps our fellowship within our Parish Community.

There is also a Spaghetti Dinner that our council is hosting after the 4:30 mass on October 5th. The men's club is also hosting a Fish Fry on Friday, November 22nd. Please consider helping with those two events. Please be on the lookout for volunteer sign ups or contact Mike Manzo.

The 4th degree is having their Exemplification on Saturday September 28th before mass. For more information, please contact Michael Friel.

We will also be having a recruitment weekend the weekend of September 28th and 29th. I am requesting as many Knights as possible to be there in the gathering space after each mass to just engage and just ask each man in the parish. Please contact me if you are able.

At the next council meeting, I will have Football Frenzy tickets at \$20 a piece. Please consider buying one or a couple. These tickets are from our State council and helps defray our Per Capita costs with the State council. If you cannot make it to the council meeting, just contact me and I can forward you tickets.

On top of the recruitment weekend, we received a domino's gift card for reaching star council. I will be asking for a small additional amount at the next council meeting to supplement so we can have a Knights Family movie night Friday, September 27th at 6pm. Please consider bringing your family and perspective Knights. Movie is TBD.

Vivat Jesus!
Sean Gammon
Grand Knight, Council 14504

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Council 14504 Minutes for August 13th, 2024

Call to order:

The meeting was held in person. The Grand Knight, Sean Gammons, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM and led the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Council meeting minutes from July 9, 2024, were approved after a motion from John Hoffman and a second by Chuck Martinson.

Chaplain's Message:

Nothing reported.

Grand Knight's Report:

The Grand Knight reported on the upcoming Parish Picnic which will be held August 25th at the St. Francis campus. Councils from both of our Parish campuses will be assisting with food prep; GK urges all members who are able to volunteer.

GK reports that Football Frenzy tickets were distributed for sales, however, he did not have them currently to distribute. The tickets will be made available at the next Council meeting. It was stressed the importance of selling these tickets as it means income for our Council.

GK would like to host a recruitment weekend after all masses the weekend of September 28-29 and asks for help staffing the table in the gathering space. GK also encouraged all members to make everyday a recruitment opportunity by asking men to consider joining.

GK plans a Council family movie night to be held in September.

GK presented the following awards:

Knight of the Year- Ken Haacke

Family of the Year- The Mike Manzo family

Treasurer's Report:

Council Treasurer Joe Schmidt deposits in the amount of \$954.27 and expenses of \$2,791.52. The checking balance is now \$8,970.71, savings \$15,537.86 (includes a \$10,000 Certificate of deposit), for a total funds on hand of \$24,508.57.

Membership Report:

Michael Freil reported no new applications, and stated there would be an exemplification program for knights wishing to join the Fourth-Degree assembly. The Fourth-Degree Assembly meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

Michael Freil also reported the Council is planning its service project of the cleanup of the I675/Wilmington Pike interchange on September 14th.

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Mike Manzo gave an update on the upcoming picnic and asked for volunteers. There is a link on the parish website to sign up.

Father Phelps gave approval for a spaghetti dinner to be held after Mass on October 19th; more details will be shared at the September Council meeting.

Financial Report:

Nothing to report.

Program Reports:

Mike Tortorici gave a report on the pilgrimage as having been a wonderful trip and a success. The travel agency will be providing a rebate from sales in the amount of \$5600 which will be deposited into the Council general fund when received.

John Hoffman reported on the Faith Formation efforts of the Council. He provided an interesting talk on Bl. Father McGivney as this is his feast day..

Michael Freil requested all Knights continue recruitment efforts.

District Deputy report:

The District Deputy offered congratulations to our Council on attaining Star Council status. He encouraged a fast start to recruitment efforts and for our Council to have a fraternal benefits night. He spoke of the Football Frenzy sales and that there would be available state level training for all financial secretaries.

Unfinished business:

Recorder Jim Stephenson reported the only unfinished business was the 2024-25 budget discussion. The motion to bring the budget up for Council discussion was approved after a motion by John Hoffman and a second by Chuck Martinson.

The budget was then placed before the Council for discussion, and after such, a motion was made and seconded to vote on the new budget. The 2024-25 budget passed after vote of Council members present.

New Business:

Mike Tortorici brought up for discussion expansion of Council gift compensation for retired priests who provide service(s) to our Parish. He stated many retired priests face financial difficulties and thought a gift to those chosen might help and be a goodwill gesture on the Council's part.

Michael Freil reported Father Brian, as head of the Dayton Deanery, was to report on any priest who may be in need, and Freil suggested that any priest found in need could then be helped by the Council. Tortorici thought that regardless of need, a gift could be made. He then made a motion to set up an exploratory committee to research any need, John Hoffman seconded the motion which was passed by Council after a vote.

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Joe Schmidt provided information to the Council of the upcoming, "That Man is You" program which will be starting the fall semester on September 14th at the Incarnation PAC. He urged all men to consider attending and joining others in the program.

GK Gammons reported Danny Sprouse would be making new name tags for all members to wear, as with having new members, this will help Knights to get to know one another.

Good of the Order:

Knight of the month - John Hoffman

Family of the month- Judy and Lou Bede

50/50 Raffle was won by Don Hirst; no member was present to claim the attendance raffle prize.

Prayers and special intentions were requested for Knights and family members with health and illness concerns, spouses, and caregivers of those who are sick, as well as for the continued health and recovery of Archbishop Schnurr and Father Jim Manning.

Adjournment:

GK Sean Gammons led the Council in the prayer for the Canonization of Bl. Father McGivney and concluded the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Submitted by Recorder Jim Stephenson

Grand Knight



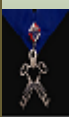
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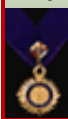
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