



# Knights of Columbus

## St. John Fisher Council #12856

### June 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes

**Business meeting** June 5, 2017 held at St. Thomas More

**The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Worthy GK Ken Pritchett**

**Warden:** That Membership cards are held by all in attendance was confirmed by Warden Mike Swedowski

**Opening Prayers and Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Worthy GK Ken Pritchett

**Officers Roll Call results:** With the exception of Father Felix, Hal Pawlowski, Bob Meyers, Pat McCright, Ken Costigan, Rich Miller and Sal Elia who were excused, all other officers were present.

**Opening Ode:** Sung

**Introduction of Dignitaries:** All past grand knights along with the past District Master Gerry Fjetland were recognized

New First Degree brother Lew Lancaster shared a bit about himself

**Previous Minutes:** All were asked if there were any corrections to the minutes that had been sent. A motion was made seconded and passed to approve minutes as written

**Report of Admission Committee and Reading of Applications:** None

**Ken Pritchett's report as follows:**

- Our Knight of the month for May is Leo DeLangis and our Family of the Month is Tyson Gentz
- Ken continued to encourage everyone to become more involved in our council activities. We do a lot and if everyone will choose one or two activities to actively participate in our council will continue to grow and strengthen.
- Thanks to all who helped at the last Market on the Move. We will not be doing any more until after the heat of the summer in the September October time frame.
- Challenger League was very appreciative of our donation.
- We received thank you cards from Maggie's Place and Valley Life as well.
- Thanks again to Dick Milanese for the wonderful newsletter and calendar.

**Chaplain's report:** None

**Treasurer's Report:** Patrick McCright is out of town. Acting treasurer Rich Dray reported the beginning and final balance in the account.

**Reading of Bills and Communications:** Worthy FINSEC Hal Pawlowski was out of town. There is no report at this time

**Report of Auditor's and Trustees:** There is no report at this time

**Chancellor's Report:** Bob Myers was out of town this week. There is no report at this time

WGK reported that former Deacon Tim Seavey is now Father Tim Seavey

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**Report of Service Program Committees:**

**Membership Director:**

**One member, per council, per month**

Ken spoke about the Christian Relief fund. He reminded us that we have been selling the beautiful crosses in support of the Christian Relief fund and that anyone can go on to the web site to donate directly to that worthy cause. The web address is as follows:

<http://www.azknightsofcolumbus.com/>

Alfred Albion was recognized for recruiting the majority of our newest members and he was presented with a new apron for being a star recruiter

**Next Local 1<sup>st</sup> Degree:**

Council:

When:

Where:

**Next Local 2nd/3rd Degree:**

Council:

When:

Where:

**Next Local 4th Degree:**

Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup> will be the next local exemplification

**Worthy Advocate:** Gerry shared that he has been in his position since the beginning and that he is willing to continue to help.

**St. James Report:** Ken reported the following:

- 40 hours of Adoration is coming up on June 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM and run until the 7:00 AM mass on Sunday and all Knights are requested to pick time especially during the late night hours to do so
- Adoration at St. James (all are encouraged to make a commitment to do this)
  - Monday 6 PM until Benediction at 8:00
  - Friday 8:30 AM until Benediction 4:00 PM followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm after the Fish Fry.

**St. Thomas More Report:**

- The blood drive coming up on July 9th.

**Council Directors:**

**Adopt-a-street:** Rob Lee shared that our council picks up trash from 67<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 59<sup>th</sup> avenue on this side of Beardsley, meet by Panera bread. This occurs on the second Saturday of the month every other month, the next one is Saturday July 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 am.

**The Veterans' Home:** WGK Ken reminded us that the first Sunday of the month our council goes down to the Vet's home to bring the Vet's to and from mass. The timing for pushing the Veterans to mass begins at 9:15 for a 10:15 am mass and then returning them after mass. We are usually done by 11:30 or noon

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There is always need for help with volunteers pushing them in their wheelchairs from the Vet's home to the Hospital chapel and back. The next one will be Sunday July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Pray the Rosary at Planned Parenthood (Abortion) Clinic:** Ken reported that the first Sunday of every month is our turn to pray the Rosary in front of the Planned Parenthood clinic on Eugie Ave just east of 59<sup>th</sup> Ave from 8:00 to 9:00 AM. The next one will be Sunday July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Fund Raising:** Butch shared that the contracts are coming out soon. He mentioned that we ran a lemonade stand for Harvest America. The first event will be on July 11<sup>th</sup> through the end of August. Tuesdays and Thursday from 6:00 PM till 9:00 PM and Saturdays 9:00 AM till noon. Training dates will be provided. Returning volunteers will only have to sign a waiver. Rich Dray recommended that all get trained to be head cashiers. Wives are more than welcome to help out.

**Habitat for humanity/ food for the poor:** Courtney shared details about the efforts and that they could use some help with it. They lost one of the helpers had to drop out and the rest of the helpers were on vacation. The bottom line is that they really need some more help. He sent a signup sheet around

Ken reminded us that SVDP is still in need of an AED defibrillator. Discussion followed and concern mentioned that STJ had one and it was stolen. Much discussion followed. A suggestion was made to reach out to other councils to help out. A motion was made and seconded o provide funds up to \$1600 for either SVDP or for St James. Ken suggested that more research is called for and that asked Courtney to provide a report for the next meeting. Butch will work with Courtney to do some more research and to see if other Knights to help out. This motion was tabled per a vote of the council members.

**Golf Tournament** – Wes reported that we made in the neighborhood of \$10,000 for St Joseph's Youth Camp.

**Pro Life Report:** Ken reported that St James held a baby bottle drive. The next Pro Life meeting will be on Tuesday June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.

Rich read a thank you note that Ken had received from Samuel, the gentleman we are sponsoring through E3 Africa. He just learned that we are behind in our sponsorship. A motion was made seconded and passed to make this payment of \$840 to continue sponsoring him. The next payment will be due right after the first of the year

**Family/Youth Director:** No report

**New Business:**

- Our next meeting will be on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00PM.
- Officer elections for next year: GK Ed Gerard, DGK Pat McCright, Chancellor Bob Myers, Recorder Brian Ferber, Treasurer Rich Miller, Advocate Darrell Butlett, Warden Wes Heier, Inside Guard Alfred Albion, Outside Guard David Zowin, One Year Trustee Ken Costigan, 2 year trustee Butch Kohs, 3 year trustee Ken Pritchett

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Each potential new officer was nominated for the office they were nominated for using the following process:

*“Are there any other nominations X3?*

*If there are no other nominations I would entertain a motion to elect **Name** to the office of **office** by acclamation.*

*Motion. Second. All in favor?”* The slate of officers’ stands as noted above.

There was a reminder that the other positions are appointed positions and Ken will work with Ed to help him through the process. The induction ceremony will be between July and October

**Report of the Fourth Degree:** No report.

**Field Agent’s Report:** No report

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**District Deputy’s Report:** No report

**Other New Business:**

- Arizona Rosary Celebration honoring the Blessed Lady is coming up. Information was passed around
- July 4<sup>th</sup> there will be a mass and Prayer for America at St’s Simon and Jude Cathedral at 8:30 AM followed by a rosary for America. Ken will send more information
- Tyson is still looking at dates and cost for a retreat at St Joe’s

**For the Good of the Order:** The prayer request was updated and read. Father Nathan will be added to the reoccurring prayer list. If anyone knows of a good Catholic or Christian rehab facility please let Ken know as Father Nathan will need one

**Lecturer:** As Knights we are all required to take the safe environment training every year each July. This is to be accomplished after July 1<sup>st</sup>. Anyone who has completed the foundation course can renew on-line. Register online if needed.

**Chaplain’s Summation:** No report

**Pot of Gold:** There will be a double drawing in July

**Salutation Table** was removed

**Closing Prayer:** Led by Ken

**Closing Ode:** Dispensed

Meeting adjourned at 8:30