



Knights of Columbus

St. John Fisher Council #12856

May 1, 2017 Draft Meeting Minutes

Business meeting May 1, 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, Rich Miller, Alfred Albion 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

Transferring brother Steve Taranovich shared a bit about himself and Courtney Corgan was recognized with his Lifetime Membership card for our council.

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 with the exception of correcting the spelling of Bryant Sayers.

Report of Admission Committee and Reading of Applications: Lewis Lancaster's application was read and he has been accepted as a First Degree candidate

WGK Ken Pritchett's report is as follows:

- Our Knight of the month for March is Deacon Frank Devine and our Family of the Month is Brian and Allison Ferber
- 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.
- During these last couple of weeks we delivered all the PWID checks and also checks to Maggie's place. Rich miller and Ken toured AZTEC and the Michael House which is part of Maggie's Place. John Ingram Sr. and Ken toured Valley Life.
- Many thanks to all who have helped make our Friday's Fish fries a huge success. The total monies that went to St. J was a little over \$6000
- Thanks to all who helped out with Easter Parking at STM a special thanks to Darrell Butlett for coordinating and to his wife and Deacon Richard's wife providing a delicious breakfast for all and to Bob Myers for providing signage and Rob Lee was there with the vests. Somebody walked away with one of Bob's 'sandwich' signs (park here sign)
- Stadium is finished. Brought in almost \$20,000. Much thanks for Butch for his efforts making sure that all the slots were filled.
- St. James Neighborhood fair. Thanks to all who helped out as volunteers and a special thanks to Tyson Gentz for organizing the food booth.

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- Thanks to all who once again showed up to make Market on the Move a success. Thanks go out to Jim Sullivan for overseeing the effort
- Thanks again to Dick Milanese for the wonderful newsletter and calendar.

Chaplain's report: Deacon Sal reminded us that this is the third week of Easter. He went on to say that Easter is 50 days, not just one day. We are still in that time of joy. Pray for the things that are most in need.

Treasurer's Report: Worthy treasurer Patrick McCright reported the beginning and final balance in the account.

Reading of Bills and Communications: Worthy FINSEC Hal Pawlowski read the bills that had to be introduced at this meeting. A check was written for the five youth for the St Joseph's Youth Camp camperships

Report of Auditor's and Trustees: The bills have been reviewed and have been approved. A motions was made seconded and passed and all were in favor of paying the bills

Chancellor's Report: Bob Myers welcomed new members and offered to help anyone who wants to help out to learn how to get involved. He also shared that we support five seminarians along with some details including the fact that one of our seminarians, Deacon Tim Seavey will be ordained the first weekend of June.

Bob went on to share a story about some nuns who formed a band. The details behind the story are as follows:

"Four nuns have formed a band at Catholic University. It's called Force of Habit

Sisters Miriam, Louis Marie, Peter Grace and Mary André are members of Force of Habit, a band led by nuns who live and study at Catholic University. The band is rounded out by Brother Brad and Father Jude DeAngelo, the university chaplain and director of campus ministry, on vocals. And, actually, they're not bad.

"It shows that we have completely natural, normal, human personalities," Brother Brad said. "And we don't really cease being human beings when we put on the habit. We don't cease to be normal and lovers of fun and music when we put on the habit. The habit is just a different aspect of who we are." The sisters, and those who know them, note that the band is part of a larger mission — to be a presence on the campus, connect with other students, and share and demonstrate their faith. It also serves as a reminder of what makes Catholic University, the Vatican's university in the United States, unique.

"It sort of started out as something that we could do for the students, to show them that we love them, that we want to be a part of their community," Sister Louis Marie said. "But then it's also just fun for us, as a group of sisters, to be able to share that and have fun together." Before Force of Habit, the sisters had a singing group called Nun of the Above."

Report of Service Program Committees:

Membership Director:

One member, per council, per month

Ken reminded us that after we take Louis through his first degree we will still be 4 below our quota for the year so as always, now is a good time to reach out to encourage new members to join. First year Knights can get their shining armor award and one of the

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requirements is to recruit a new member. There are a number of incentives from the State for recruitments.

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/>

Next Local 1st Degree:

Council: 3855

When: April 10th Registration begins at 6:30 and the degree ceremony starts at 7:30

Where: Fray Garces

Next Local 2nd/3rd Degree:

Council:

When:

Where:

Next Local 4th Degree:

June 10th will be the next local ceremony

Worthy Advocate: Gerry shared that he has been in his position since the beginning and that he is willing to continue to help. If someone would like to take it on he will gladly help that individual any way he can.

St. James Report: Ken reported the following:

- 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.
- Welcome breakfast and youth car wash Sunday May 7
- Rummage Sale May 12-13. Help needed for set up Wednesday evening and all day Thursday. Tear down at 2:00pm Saturday.
- Baby Bottle drive for First Way pregnancy center May 13-14
- Market on the Move May 27. 7am-10am

St. Thomas More Report:

- The blood drive was successful yesterday.
- Many thanks to Patrick McCright and Dick Milanese for stepping up to co-chair this important community service
- Deacon Sal encouraged all STM parishioners to go out and take a look at the web site for the latest issue of the newsletter "Holy Smokes". Our new transfer Steve Taranovich is the copy editor for that newsletter. Our own Dick Milanese shared an article about his recent trip to Fatima and Lourdes which is interesting. There are 17 different articles and he encouraged all, not only STM members, to go out and check it out.
- This coming Friday they are having an appreciation dinner for all who have helped out in the parish.

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- Saturday the Good News people are having their final event.
- The youth production detective story is on Sunday for \$10 per person
- June 10th is Confirmation

Council Directors:

Adopt-a-street: Rob Lee was not available so Bob Meyers shared that our council picks up trash from 67th Avenue to 59th 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 May 13th at 8:00 am. Look for the email for the time as it may be earlier due to the heat

The Veterans' Home: Bob 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

There is always need for help with volunteers pushing them in their wheelchairs from the Vet's home to the Hospital chapel and back. They are really appreciative to those who do so. The next one will be Sunday May 7th.

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 59th Ave from 8:00 to 9:00 AM. The next one will be Sunday May 7th.

Fund Raising: Butch shared that the contracts are coming out soon. He is assuming that we will be doing it again another year. He encouraged all who are interested to keep it in mind.

Habitat for humanity/ food for the poor: Details about the efforts were shared and that they could use some help with it.

He also mentioned that SVDP at Sunnyslope is in need of an AED defibrillator. Discussion followed and concern mentioned that STJ had one and it was stolen. Ken suggested that more research is called for and that he would like a report next meeting

Golf Tournament – Leo shared that we ended up with 88 golfers, the most that was allowed by the course. The team coordinating the event was recognized. It will be next Saturday at 7:00 and help is encouraged. T time is 7:30 but helpers are needed from 6:30 on. Joe suggested that anything the council could do to help cover expenses would be greatly appreciated as it will increase the amount of money we can donate to St Joseph's Youth Camp to help cover some of the cost of the needed septic system

Family/Youth Director: Tyson shared a bit about the septic system at St Joe's, the youth camp at Mormon lake. The septic engineer put together a plan to move forward to replace the septic tank and presented it to the county and forest service. He is hopeful that they can move forward in the next 12 to 24 months.

Tyson also shared that there are two work weekends at St Joe's. This coming weekend and Memorial Day weekend will be work weekends. He went on to share a bit about this great camp. There are 12 cabins and the Knights have run it since 1948.

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Raffle: Tyson shared that ticket sales are a bit slow. If anyone has tickets and money it is necessary to have them back by Mother's day. Ken reminded us that this is one effort that the State uses to cover charities

Ken went on to share that He and Rich Miller will be the Delegate for the State convention on May 20th and Tyson and Dick Milanese will be alternates.

Ken also shared that he spoke with Joe Danko our District Deputy and he was pleased with the participation our Council had with the Free Throw contest and thanked Tyson for his help with the cooking.

New Business:

- Our next meeting will be on Monday, June 5 @ 7:00PM.
- This Saturday from 6pm-10pm the Challenger Little League will have their final game followed by a pot-luck and awards. They will once again make a presentation to the Knights. All are invited.
- Officer nominations for next year: GK Ed Gerard, DGK _____ ?_____, Chancellor Bob Myers, Recorder Brian Ferber, Treasurer Pat McCright, Advocate Darrell Butlett, Warden Wes Heier, Inside Guard Alfred Albion, Outside Guard David offered, One Year Trustee Butch Kohs, 2 year trustee Rich Miller, 3 year trustee Ken Pritchett

Report of the Fourth Degree: Butch asked for a show of hands of 3rd Degree Knights and also those who will be attending the 4th Degree. He went on to encourage brothers to come on June 10th. He is also having a social at his house on May 20th at 3:00. 3rd degree and 4th degree members are invited, wives are also welcome. His address is 4330 W Fallen leaf lane.

Other New Business: Tyson shared that we were asked to include hamburgers and hot dogs at the STJ Neighborhood Fair and buying them put us over the original approved budget for the fair. There are leftover hot dogs and hamburgers in the refrigerator at STJ. Because these exceeded the original budget a motion was made, seconded and passed cover the cost of these and to donate them to be sold at the rummage sale by John Ingram.

Butch reminded us that they need more help at the rummage sale for cooking them.

A motion was made for \$2000 to help cover part of the golf fees to increase the profits going to St Joe's Youth Camp. After discussion the motion was seconded and passed.

Joe thanked the 4th degree for their donation as well. Ken Costigan recommended that pictures be taken during the event to share with the greater community a little bit about what our Council does.

Field Agent's Report: No report

Report of the Fourth Degree: No report

District Deputy's Report: No report

For the Good of the Order: The prayer request was updated and read.

Lecturer: As Knights we are all required to take the safe environment training every year each July.

Chaplain's Summation: No report

Pot of Gold: Winner was announced

Salutation Table was removed

Closing Prayer: Led by Deacon Sal

Closing Ode: Dispensed

Meeting adjourned at 8:30