



Knights of Columbus St. John Fisher Council #12856 September 6, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Business meeting September 6, 2016 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 was confirmed by the worthy Warden Mike Swedowski

Opening Prayers and Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Deacon Sal

Officers Roll Call results: With the exception of Ken Costigan and Rich Miller who were excused all officers were present. Deacon Sal filled the role of chaplain

Opening Ode: Sung

Introduction of Dignitaries: Deacon Sal and Deacon Frank, past grand knights and former district master Gerry Fjetland were all recognized

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

Report of Admission Committee and Reading of Applications: There were no new applications to read

WGK Ken Pritchett's report is as follows:

- Our Knight of the month for July is Deacon Frank Devine and our Family of the Month is Tyson Gentz. Eric Biallas and Family was also recognized as Family of the month for July
- This past weekend was extremely busy with SJYC
- Saturday ASU/ BYU game at the stadium
- 1st Sunday Rosary at Planned Parenthood
- Operation wheelchair at the Vets' Home
- Thanks to all who helped out with these activities
- Thanks to all who attended the family bowling event
- Thanks to all who worked the games at the stadium. These funds allow us to do so many charitable things. Your continued support is greatly appreciated
- Knights Night at the ballpark coming up on Sept. 17
- You can add your name to the Arizona Rosary Booklet for \$3, this is a great fundraiser for the effort

Chaplain's report: Deacon Sal recognized our WGK for all that he does for us

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 shared the bills and communications.

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Report of Auditor's and Trustees: The bills have been reviewed and have approved them. All were in favor of paying the bills

Chancellor's Report: Bob Myers shared a story about the cataloguing of the stars in the sky. There was a council in the late 1800s that decided to catalogue the stars. Included in the group of individuals who were going to participate were four nuns. They were born in the late 1800s took photographs of the stars and spend from 1910 to 1921. This was supported by the Vatican. Bob mentioned that there were in the neighborhood of 20,000 glass plates and over 400,000 stars that the group reviewed. The effort went on until 1966.

Report of Service Program Committees:

WGK Ken reminded us that the crosses being sold in support of the Christian Relief Fund are still available, please see WDGK Ed Gerard if you would like to donate to the cause and buy one. The crosses will be available during our various events this year and we are hoping to be able to send a decent donation to the Christian Relief Fund

Membership Director:

One member, per council, per month

- Ken shared that we have donut duty at St James on the 9th of October and we should include a recruitments effort during that event

Next Local 1st Degree:

Council 3855

When: registration 7:00 pm degree 7:30 on Monday, Sept. 12

Where: Fray Garces

Next Local 2nd/3rd Degree:

Council 11738

When: Registration 9:00 am Saturday, Sept. 17

Where: St. Helen's

If there are still any first degree Knights please save this date and plan to go through the Formation and Knighthood exemplifications.

Next Local 4th Degree:

January in Tucson

Worthy Advocate: Nothing at this time

St. James Report: Ken reported the following:

- Many thanks to all who helped out at the St. James Rummage Sale. Very successful even with the Friday morning storm.
- Adoration at St. James
 - Monday 6 PM to Benediction at 8:00
 - Friday following the 8:00 Mass beginning at 8:30 AM to Benediction 7:00 PM
 - Prayers are being said to have perpetual adoration at St James

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- The annual E3 Africa quarter auction, silent auction and pasta dinner will be held Saturday Oct. 1. Rich Miller is heading up the food prep but will need a lot of help on Friday and Saturday to make this a success.

St. Thomas More Report:

- Blood drive signups start on September 24th and 25th and the following Weekend and the Blood Drive itself will be on October 9th

Council Director:

Adopt-a-street: Our council picks up trash from 67th Avenue to 59th avenue on this side of Beardsley. This occurs on the second Saturday of the month every other month, the next one is this coming Saturday September 10th at 7:00 am. Bob is looking for someone to take over this effort. This is a once every other month activity. There is a small amount of equipment to be stored including reflective vests and trash bags. Also he keeps the paperwork records of those who work it in case the city needs them.

The Veterans' Home: 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 them to mass is from 9:15 to 10:15am and then returning them after mass.

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.

The next one will be Sunday October 2nd.

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 October 2nd.

Fund Raising: There are 3 stadium events between now and our next meeting. There is an event on each of the following: September 11th, September 18th and October 2nd.

Butch thanked all who helped recently. He is always in need of help last minute. He asked for helpers to please consider helping out. Please review the schedule and step up if you can.

It is our biggest fundraiser and much help is needed. The funds gathered from this effort provide most of the resources that give us the ability to support the many charities we provide aid to each year.

PWID Drive: Ken shared that the **P**ersons **W**ith **I**ntellectual **D**isabilities or tootsie roll drive is a 3 day event at three Fry's stores (83rd and Deer valley, 67th and Happy Valley, and 59th Ave and the 101). We have 10 time slots at each store and that they are 2 hour time slots. The drive will be on Friday, Saturday and Sunday September 23rd, 24th and 25th. Fridays are always the most challenging. We would like to add a second table at the store on 59th Ave and 101 because it has two entrances. We will also have tables at both parishes in the future.

Spirituality and Pro Life: WGK Ken asked if there was anyone who would be interested in becoming the coordinator for this. John has asked to step down. This involves coordinating with the two parishes and making sure that all communications are shared

Family/Youth Director: Thanks to all who made the trip to SJYC this past weekend to help out and based on the pictures posted it appears that they had fun.

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Arizona Rosary Celebration: Will be held on Sunday, October 23 at 2:00pm.

There are lots of opportunities for all Knights to be involved. The next meeting will be on September 10th all are welcome at Sts Simon and Jude hall from 9:00 till 11:00 am.

A **motion** was made, seconded and passed to cover the cost of food up to \$1000 for E3 Africa dinner.

They are still collecting raffle items for this dinner/auction so please either get them to St James or to WGK Ken who will take them to St James for you

New Business:

- Our next meeting will be on Monday October 3rd at STM beginning at 7:00PM.
- October 9th we are scheduled for donut duty at St James, possible recruitment effort

Report of the Fourth Degree: Gerry will get with the new district master to discuss the team going forward

Butch reported that there will be a flag retirement ceremony and if anyone has any flags in need of retirement please get them to or call Butch. The retirement ceremony will be at St Helens on October 15th after the 4:30 mass. You can bring them to the next meeting as well. All are welcome to join in the ceremony

Field Agent's Report: WGK Ken said that our Field agent Tom Pickard called and had a plumbing issue he had to address or else he would have been here. Tom encouraged all to please get in touch with him if anyone needed anything. His contact info is on our web site

District Deputy's Report: WGK Ken shared that Joe performed the officer's installation ceremony last week and that he is looking at all of the different programs

WGK Ken shared a letter from our State Deputy Sean Hepling (sp?). State theme is "Be the leader of your domestic church". We should be active participants, not passive attendees. We must be witnesses in our own homes to not only practice our faith but to become role models of our faith.

There is an individual who is starting and "Into the Breach" men's group at St James. Until that happens, there is a men's group at St Luke's on Saturday morning at 8:00 AM. All are welcome. St Luke's is on 7th Ave below the 101.

ST James is working on getting the "Market on the Move" beginning in January and will be on the last Saturday of the month. You can get \$10 for 60 pounds of vegetables. Jim Sullivan is looking for volunteers to help this effort.

WGK Ken shared that Rich Miller returned from Malaysia and is now driving his son Andy to seminary

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

Lecturer: Mike reminded us that we all are required to attend the seminar for "Call to Protect" Safe Environment training. Our annual renewal is due. If you haven't completed the first training session please contact your parish coordinator or check the diocesan web site for opportunities in the area. Everyone who has completed the foundation can renew on-line. Register online if needed.

Chaplain's Summation: Deacon Sal shared that there is an application for our phones called USA Catholic Church. It provides you with many daily readings and information from Pope Francis

Pot of Gold: held

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Salutation Table was removed

Closing Prayer: Led by Deacon Sal

Closing Ode: Dispensed

Meeting adjourned at 8:15