

KofC7538 Council Business meeting notes

February 10, 2025

D. Macera

Chicken and Tuna Casserole were served for dinner in the St. Mary of the Annunciation, Ladysmith. Thanks Steve Gajdos on providing the meal. Happy Birthday to GK Dave!

6:40 – A **joyful** rosary was said.

7:00 – The meeting was **called to order**. Nineteen members attended (GK Depuy, Treas. Coker, FS Palmer, Dist. Ward. John Schutrumpf, Macera [filling in as recorder for Mr. Hartigan], PGK McCaffrey, Lasser, Kastelberg, Beningo, Schmitz, Gajdos, John Williams, O'Connor, Jones, Weber, Kostyk, Mohring, Deacon Frank Leaming, Jake Rixner).

Grand Knight report (Depuy) –

Thanked Steve Gajdos for dinner. Recognized the PGKs (Coker, Palmer, McCaffrey, Mohring), Deacon Frank, and DD John.

Not much to report this month. Events starting to come up over next several months.

FinSec report (Palmer) – still collecting dues. 37 of 50 have paid so far. Census is 93 Knights. The remaining 43 include 27 honorary (including priests and deacons), 1 inactive, and 15 other members who are currently on the roll but are neither actively participating nor paying dues.

\$814 in deposits. Major checks include \$1,000 for Special Olympics and Ed McCarron's flowers and Mass cards. \$500 check on donation for Chicken Soup (Souper bowl) that is coming up on February 22-24.

Treasurer's report (Coker) – Current account balance of \$33,317.81 decreased by (\$865.13) vs. \$34,182.94 prior month. \$1,214.19 in deposits (primarily 2025 dues) offset by (\$2,079.32) in payments. Major payments included \$1,000.00 Special Olympic Polar Plunge, \$500.00 Souper Bowl donation, and Mass card / flowers for Ed McCarron's funeral. Full detail report is on file online.

No uncleared checks as of the date of report.

6-month CD (3.688% APY) opened in February 2025, matures in August 2025. Additional funds added to the prior rolled-over CD in order to bring the principal to \$15,000.

Semi-annual audit has been completed and is with the GK and trustees. 990 Tax form also filed.

Program Director's report (Jones) –

Membership (Palmer) – 1 recruited so far this year. The goal is 5 more this Columbian year (2 from St. Ann and 3 from St. Mary). The next membership committee meeting is before the executive meeting (2/24).

Faith St. Mary's (Deacon Frank Leaming substituted for David Frank) – The Lent, meatless soup suppers and stations of the cross starting Friday, March 7 at St. Mary's.

Faith St. Ann's (Williams) – Mass for John O'Connell tomorrow, February 11 (9 am Mass). Rise against Hunger will be held on Saturday, February 22nd. The St. Ann's Men's group will meet on Thursday, February 20th at 7pm.

Life (Hartigan) – absent, no report.

Community (Macera) – Road cleanup is slated for April 5th. Habitat for Humanity (Knight event) – March 22nd. Sign-up sheet passed around since online Sign-up currently not available on the website. April 12th Habitat project scheduled for St. Ann's. Ronald McDonald House scheduled and slots filled for March 25th.

KOVAR (Jones, filling in for Frank) – April 11 & 12th. Sign-up sheets on-line. Need 2 Knights per shift. 4 shifts per day (10 am – noon, noon – 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, and 4:00 – 6:00 pm). Will be held at ABC stores in Ladysmith and Ashland.

The upcoming **calendar of events** were reviewed by the Program Director (Kevin J).

Chicken Soup – need volunteers from St. Ann to help with making the Soup at St. Mary. GK Dave volunteered to transport the soup to St. Ann. \$7 per quart, 3 quarts for \$20.

Council Dinner (Feb 15) – 3 volunteers so far. **Need more volunteers** to help with the dinner. Please let Kevin know if you can help out.

Fourth Degree (Kostyk) – installation of officers. Few programs in the works. More to come.

Vocations (DePuy) – No report.

Health service / AED training (Gajdos) – CPR AED on Sunday, April 6th at St. Mary (1:00 – 2:00 pm). \$150 donation will be proposed under new business to help with the event.

Public Relations (Kastelberg) – No report.

Unfinished Business – none

New Business –

Jimmy Kastelberg made a motion to supply lunches for the 2 Habitat projects on 3/22 and 4/12. Each event lunch not to exceed \$100. Total of no more than \$200. **Motion passed.**

Steve Gajdos made a motion for \$150 donation to training company for 35 participants. **Motion passed.**

District report (DW John S.) – The District Deputy mentioned semi-annual deadline is Feb 15 (Council has already completed audit). 10784 program form deadline is April 1st.

Nominating caucus postponed to Feb 17. Location TBD.

Spring quarterly meeting March 1st at St. Mary's (Richmond).

State Convention - please ensure forms for delegates and alternates are completed prior to state convention in Virginia Beach. GK Dave DePuy is delegate and PGK Steve Mohring is alternate.

**** The 10784 Fraternal Program Report Form process to be reviewed in order to insure we have captured all our activities and events in order to qualify for STAR award and other recognition of volunteer service. ****

Deacon Frank – Jubilee Year for Hope. A little slower rollout at St. Mary than expected. St. Ann observing via corporal works of mercy, like Rise against Hunger in February.

Our Sick and Distressed include:

Gerald Wolfolk	Levie Edmonds is in long-term care
Tony Miller – knee replacement surgery	PGK Richard Cheney
Gene Ann, brother-in-law of GK Dave, is in hospice care	Dec. Dave Geary had a surgery recently
Barbara O'Connor	PGK Mike Wilson
Mike Hicks has been in UVa hospital waiting on a lung transplant	

Myron Kostyk conducted the **good of the order**.

The GK led us in prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney.

\$66 in the **50-50** jackpot. J. Schmitz winner.

7:40 – **Meeting adjourned.**