



March 2019 Minutes – Council 11234

Opening

The meeting of the Knights of Columbus Council 11234 was called to order at **7:36 pm** on **March 14, 2019** at St. Catherine of Siena dining room by Grand Knight Potochnik.

Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was led by Mike Potochnik, GK

Pledge of Allegiance to The U.S. Flag

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Officer Attendees:

| Present | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excused | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chaplain | Financial Secretary | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inside Guard |
| Grand Knight | Treasurer | Outside Guard |
| Deputy Grand Knight | Advocate | Trustee 1 (3 rd year) |
| Chancellor | Lecturer | Trustee 2 (2 nd Year) |
| Recorder | Warden | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trustee 3 (1 st Year) |

Chaplain's Report

None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were emailed to council members. Matt Stein motioned to accept the minutes as submitted via email was approved.

Grand Knight Report

- Welcome brother Knights

Dignitary visitor

- District Deputy John Mezera
- Insurance Agent Mike McDonough

Treasurer Report

- \$20,299.73 in the bank.
(This total includes Squire account consolidation)

Financial Secretary Report

- Turned over \$3150.00 in golf tournament checks and cash

Chancellor Report (Anthony Nacional)

- The Seminararians expressed their deep gratitude for the Seminararian Care Packages they received from our council in December. Thank You cards were shared with the membership to read

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Report of Admissions Committee

- Matt Stein, Membership Program Director
 - Stated Goals of 14 new council members and 5 insurance members. 3 new council members have been added toward our goal.

Public Relations (Joe Webb)

- Golf tournament and fish fry announcements are currently being posted in weekly bulletin.
- St Joseph's Day insert upcoming this week.
- Going forward, opportunity exist for additional postings to promote hole sponsorships and foursomes.
- May inserts to include Fr McGee's ordination 2nd anniversary & Mother's Day

Service Program and Committee Reports

Anthony Nacional, Community Director

- Brown Bag and Operation Harvest
 - The participation of members in these ministries is a positive recruiting tool for potential new members
 - *Brown bag* – 2nd, 4th & 5th Saturday mornings
 - *Op Harvest* – 9 families currently volunteer to form 4 teams serving 1x a month. Recommended that a team of Knights members are formed to fill openings that come up throughout the year
 - *Potato Bagging*

Multiple Parishes throughout Wake County participated in the bagging of 25,000 potatoes by 300 volunteers. Fr's Bill John and McGee were on hand to participate and witness this event.

This may continue going forward as an annual or biannual event
 - *Rise against Hunger* April 13th 12:30-2:30 - Dry Goods meal packing at the Boys and Girls Club. Goal is to make 60,000 meals
 - Our current Basketball night and other similar sporting activities may be a positive draw for younger Knights to serve community
- Standing Committee Report Tony Morano
 - Operation LAMB (Least Among My Brethren)
 - We have 3 weekend OpLAMB events @ Walmart:
 - April 27 & 28
 - June 15 & 16
 - September 14 & 15
 - Blood Drive
 - Blood drive at VFW last Monday collected 31 pts collected
 - Next St Catherine's Blood Drive tentative date is May 10th



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- Fish Fry March 15th & 29th
- Program Director DGK Joe Palko
 - None

Old Business

Vestments (GK Mike Potochnik)

- Rose colored vestments were presented to Fr MaGee at last Sundays 8:00 mass. Thanks to Pete Lambert for organizing this initiative, and those members whose donations totaled \$550.00 in addition to the \$50 from our council. A “Thank You” note from Fr Magee’s appreciation was read to the members.

State Convention April 26th - 28th

- More Volunteers are needed to assist during convention weekend. A couple of hours of assistance from more volunteers would be beneficial. 3 or 4 have volunteered, a few more are needed. Please contact Mike if interested in attending as a delegate. Mike proposed 2 delegates to attend include Mike Potochnik and David Aldrich. The proposal was seconded. Members voted aye on this motion without further discussion.

Store Shed Project update (Mike Doran)

- Going forward, Fr McGee may be the contact on project planning (GK Potochnik). Areas of poor drainage remains an obstacle and an area of concern.
- Decreasing the scope of the project may be necessary. (i.e. 1 small shed to accommodate project brown bag inventories)

Golf Tournament - (Joe Palko)

- All members are needed to solicit hole sponsors. At this time 18 commitments have been secured toward a goal of 32. Please encourage the forwarding of checks from your sponsors through additional contacts.
- Thanks to Terry Maher who has solicited approximately 20 contacts in his efforts to secure commitments for sponsorships and gift cards
- 1 Gold sponsor has committed, 2 silver sponsors
- WCPE classic radio station will sponsor with \$1000 worth of on-air ad space
- 16 foursomes signed up to date with a goal of 25 total
- Little time remains to secure sponsors and make our major fundraiser a success.

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Faith in Action program (GK Mike Potochnik)

- Novena for Life- Thanks for all of your participation in praying this Lenten Novena with us. As indicated in an earlier email, Fr Bill John recommended this Novena as is required by Supreme Council's "Faith in Action" program

Raffle ticket update (Dave Rogers)

- Budgeted to sell 320, 270 have been sold at this time
- Fish Fry (GK Mike Potochnik)
 - March 15th and 29th. If you have not yet signed up thru signup genius, just show up when you have availability. 3pm tomorrow setup begins. All are encouraged to attend and to assist. (Ed Gary)
 - 4-6oz portions of pollock will be offered

New Business

- **Resolution** *first reading* - (Trustee Matt Stein) Authorizing the allocation of funds raised via annual charitable Golf tournament *as requested by our brother Knights and recommended by our Trustees.* \$5000 directed to St. Catherine's of Siena school to be used at the discretion of the Pastor. This resolution is to be opened up for discussion after the second reading at our April meeting and subsequently voted on.
 - St. Catherine's school depends on our support, and this worthy cause is one of the key reasons we host this fundraiser tournament
 - Deceased member. With respect to earlier emailed prayer requests and notifications regarding the illness of our worthy brother Harold Brickman who had passed away on Feb 27TH 2019. Mike will reach out to Mrs. Brickman to express our concerns and offers of support. (Mike Potchnik).
- Academic decathlon (Mike Doran) made and subsequently amended a motion of support for the academic Decathlon that in the event they qualify for the National final competition event that we donate \$100 to support their travel expenses. As per Brother Jeff Klucenic the team did not place 1st and would not travel this year. The motion was amended now that travel expenses would not be incurred and support not needed



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at this time. Amendment were seconded & voted in favor of by the membership.

- New Council shirts and hats are currently available for those who have thus placed orders or those who would like to purchase directly (Gene Bridgeman). Gwen Pughes will now be fabricating these items, which will be available as needed without having to place orders with long wait times and now at a more economical pricing point. Caps have been redesigned with a more rigid structured front embroidered with our council logo. Please see Gene to purchase these items.
- Special Olympics - (Joe Csuka) The NC state games take place on Sunday June 2nd Consider joining in to participate. Bowling Award ceremony takes place at Buffaloe lanes Cary Bowling Center. Our council annually participates at the bowling awards ceremony.
 - When signing up online to volunteer, you may want to target opportunities listed under Joe Csuka to assist on his team
 - Joe conveyed how rewarding it is for all present, especially for the athlete's being awarded for their accomplishments.
- Parishioner Lynn Mesorole is looking to donate a metal ramp, mobility scooter and a wheelchair. to anyone who may be in need of these items.
- Ignited by Truth (Dave Rogers) Takes place Sat, Apr 6th, 2019 @ **NC State** Campus,
- Important Dates
 - Operation Harvest 9:15 Trinity Center every Saturday
 - Tri-Area ministry this Saturday
 - Brown Bag -10 am Trinity Center
 - Fish Fry -3/15,3/29
 - Soup Supper 3/22 sponsored by Silver Linings
 - Ignited by Truth Conference 4/6 at NC State
 - Rise Against Hunger 4/13
 - State Convention 4/26 – 4/28
 - Op LAMB -4/27,4/28
 - Blood Drive 5/10 (tentative)
 - Special Olympics -6/2
 - Golf Tournament 6/10



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Assembly (DGK) Joe Palko

Next meeting will be Tuesday 3/19

District Deputy report (John Mezera)

- Offered reminders of upcoming Raffle drawing and the need for delegates, volunteers and ad book for State convention

Awards

We would like to thank and honor the following brother who has exhibited charity and dedication to serving our council, our Church, and our community especially to those in need. These brothers embody the true meaning of Knighthood and live by the principles of the Knights of Columbus.

- **February Knight of the Month**
 - Brien McGuire

Insurance Agent Report (Mike McDonough)

- Distributed single premium whole life insurance policy sheet. Emphasis made on the benefits and importance of having an emergency fund available via cash value. Please contact Mike to evaluate your insurance needs

For the Good of The Order

- Dave Rogers, Lecturer, read the prayer intentions of brother Knights in attendance.

Adjournment/Closing Remarks

- The next council meeting will be on **April 11th, 2019** at St. Catherine of Siena dining room.
 - Rosary starts at 7pm.
 - Council meeting starts at 7:30pm.
- Closing prayer was led by Mike Potochnik, GK.
- Meeting called to a close at 8:46 pm by Mike Potochnik, GK.

Minutes submitted by: Brien McGuire

Approved by: _____, Grand Knight