



May 2019 Minutes – Council 11234

Opening

The meeting of the Knights of Columbus Council 11234 was called to order at 7:30 pm on May 9th, 2019 at St. Catherine of Siena dining room by Grand Knight Mike 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 Excused Absent

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

Chaplin's Report

None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April meeting were distributed by email. A motion was accepted to accept the minutes as distributed electronically.

Admission's Committee Report (Mike Potochnik, GK)



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Have no new members to report.

Grand Knight's Opening Remarks:

Observed a moment of silence for the loss of Brother Jeremy E. Gould.

Grand Knight commented that Brother Jeremy had a huge impact and lived his faith for council, school, parish and community. He was instrumental on getting the golf tournament back on track. The tournament is the biggest fundraiser that allows us to support the school and allows to support other charities. Grand Knight mentioned that he did not know if we would have a golf tournament or a shed without Jeremy. He cared enough to make things happen and is a shining example of what it means to be a follower of Christ and a brother knight and is very proud to have known Jeremy. He touched so many lives.

He went on to say that the shed will allow us to expand brown bag to keep us going in Wake Forest and hopefully help with Operation Harvest too.

Juan, first year trustee, read a resolution of condolence to the council on behalf of the trustees.

Jeremy will be remembered daily at a special mass for repose of the souls at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, CT the birthplace of our order.

Services for Jeremy is Sunday, May 12th from 2 – 6 PM at the Bright Funeral Home in Wake Forest. Mass for Christian burial is Monday, May 13th at 11 AM at St. Catherine of Sienna. There will be fourth degree regalia at the mass. Setup at 9 AM.

Floor opened to Chris Irving who is the designated point of contact between Nicole, Juan and Mike P. and mentioned that the biggest thing that Nicole needed was for the Knights to supply beer in preparation for the gathering at her residence after the funeral. Knights helped with various things this week including



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driveway lights, straw around the plants, and general yard cleaning.

Topic of offering male mentoring role to Jeremy's children that the Knights could help out with and will be discussed at the upcoming officer's meeting on Thursday, May 23, 2019.

Financial Secretary Report

Collected some monies for Jeremy Gould fund which will be counted and check written and turned over to Juan after meeting. Discretionary fund for Grand Knight of \$499 was also given towards the funds collected for the Gould family.

Treasurer Report

Checking account balance as of May 9, 2019 was \$32,793.20. Four deposits since the last general assembly meeting in April 2019 totaling \$13,262.50. Of those deposits \$8,425 is for golf, \$1,350 is for raffle, \$1,365 is for dues, \$1474.55 is for fish fry, \$23 for 50/50 and \$20 for hats and shirts. Miscellaneous other deposits totaled \$604.95. There were three checks totaling \$371.68.

Membership Committee Report

Joe Palko spoke saying that after the third request from some of the current members and not being able to collect from them it was decided that it would be put to bed after the current fiscal year is coming to a close and a new fiscal year will be coming up. Emails and phone calls were made and only two additional membership dues were collected since the last meeting.

Current members who are 4th Degree are to see Joe Palko after the meeting who did not receive membership card. Next 4th degree membership meeting is Tuesday, May 21st. Highly recommended that all attend as officers will be appointed.



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Community Director Report

Tri area ministry program is growing. Serving 14-15 families now. Going to need more than 2 mini vans. Going to need more people to deliver once per month. Brown bag and operation harvest is this weekend, May 11th. Need people to watch the volunteers. Have a lot of volunteers that will be coming out to help.

Upcoming Op-Lamb is June 14-15th, 2019 and the next one will be September 14-15th, 2019.

Prayerfully consider directorships like Family Director to help out other brother Knight families such as Jeremy Gould's family who may need male leadership for the children.

Old Business

Construction of Shed:

Should be okay with the shed as long as we stay under \$5000 which was budgeted for the shed.

Another topic is the issue with the sidewalk. Architecturally need to hide shed behind other buildings so the school children would not see it per Fr. Bill John. Mike P. talked to three individuals whom one was a disabled veteran and does sidewalks and is going to have him come out to the church for an estimate. Another person mentioned a member of the parish that builds custom homes. He gets 10% off everything at Home Depot. Need to get with Fr. Bill John to get a time table to build the shed. Get electrician out before build shed for proper junction boxes and can worry about the sidewalk later after the shed is built.



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State Convention Update:

Seven volunteers for the convention: David A., Chuck F., John E., Eric P., Ray I., Joe P., and Keith S. That will be money coming back to our council based on that participation. The council provided a barbeque gift baskets and John Gould mentioned that we made \$1100 on the gift baskets. Having a wrap up meeting on Saturday, May 11th and will know more what is coming back to the council.

Annual Eucharistic Mass/Op-Lamb Update:

Twenty brothers showed up for Annual Eucharistic Mass during the weekend of the convention. Thank you all for coming out for that. That same weekend we had Op-Lamb on Saturday and Sunday and we made \$1107 total for the weekend per Tony Morano. He said right after blood drive on Friday was Op-Lamb. Had open slots for Op-Lamb. Have another event coming up June 15 and 16th. Most important fundraiser for intellectually disabled. Allows them to buy extra stuff that they are not able to get from the county. Children gave thank you card from Long Hill Elementary school in Fayetteville, NC who were one of the schools who received funds.

Blood Drive Update:

Had two busses. Serviced 39 people and only collected 32, blood was rejected for some people. Had enough help. Next blood drive TBA.

Easter Mass Parking:

Thank you to David, Ken, Terry, Tony and Mike P. who helped out with parking for Easter Mass.



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School Gala:

Mike P. mentioned that the Knights were giving \$5000 for the school and were going to present that at the Gala.

Golf Tournament Update

Trustee 1st year mentioned that throughout this process many knights have stepped up unbelievably. Just yesterday several knights have stepped up: Terry, Mike D., Tony, Mike P. Chris Irving, and Eric. For the tournament, we are requesting teams for golf tournament to wear colors of ECU in memory of Jeremy.

Terry is now the acting chairperson in Jeremy's absence. Have 30 days to go. Have \$10,500 collected and have another \$7500 to get. Identified by hole sponsors or those who have not paid that are playing on a team. \$18,000 that we are looking at right now for monies to be received and are looking at opportunities for more. We have a lot of things to close on and have parceling out to volunteers. Have Jeremy's golf binder to make sure we are all in cinque. \$2500 donation from Harris Teeter for golf tournament and general manager is asking what else he can do for the Gould family and has offered to give gift cards to the family. WCPE is offering \$2500 for air time promotion and maybe can get some participation in playing. Looking at another \$1000 to offer for teams. For the goody bags: if it is \$125 per person then it will be \$125 worth for gift bags is the goal. Wear ribbons or ECU colors to honor Jeremy. Tournament will be June 10, 2019

Juan mentioned Jeremy teaching high school daughter golf and the ceremonial tee shot could be done by the daughter and Jeremy had mentioned Father would be doing the ceremonial tee shot. It was suggested that maybe both could share that spotlight.

Hole sponsorships are \$150.



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David and Mike P. attended the state convention on April 26-27, 2019 and Rick Lewis was voted as the new state warden. Total donations were \$185 million for the state. 75.6 million volunteer hours. Op Lamb raised \$557,000 for the state of North Carolina. Overall we collected far more than other states like Texas which is a much bigger state. Goal is 900 members this year and so far we have 628 members. We are at 21% of the quota for new membership.

New Business

Election will be held in June 2019. Have a few members who are stepping down to allow other members to step in. A link was sent out detailing each position by Matt. Available positions for members in good standing and are at least 3rd Degree are:

- Grand Knight
- Deputy Grand Knight
- Chancellor
- Recorder
- Treasurer
- Advocate
- Warden
- Inside Guard
- Outside Guard
- Trustee

Table with poster and form 100's for the Knights will be setup at the feast family day picnic on June 2nd from Noon – 5 pm. Please stop by the table after or between masses to help out with that.

Annual picnic for graduating 8th grade students asking for donation to support them. Knights will be donating \$200.



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To receive the Columbian award, four programs are required. Two programs are parish wide. One is consecration to the holy family. Email will be sent out detailing what it is.

Special Olympics on June 2nd 9 AM – 3:30 PM: Starting a little later, equipment provided and still have t shirts and lunches for everyone and it will not go past 3:30 pm.

Knight of the Month for May goes to Eric Pasarin.

Assembly News

Next assembly meeting on May 21, 2019. Meetings will be 3rd Tuesday 7-8:30 pm. Meeting begins at 7:30 pm.

District Deputy Report

Spoke about the results of the convention which were a success. Did not see winner of the state raffle.

Good of the Order

The good of the order was read aloud.

50/50 Drawing

Drawing winner announced.

Adjournment/Closing Remarks

- The next council meeting will be on June 13th, 2018 at St. Catherine of Siena dining room.
- Meeting called to a close at 8:52 pm by Mike Potochnik, GK.



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Minutes submitted by: John Elsbernd, Acting Recorder

Approved by: _____, Grand Knight

Mike Potochnik