

Saint Therese Knights of Columbus Meeting Minutes 10/8/2024

✓ AS AMENDED DURING CONSENT REVIEW AT THE NOV. 12th MEETING

(See Approved/By Direction Verbiage under New Business -Paragraph 2)

The Tuesday, October 8th Meeting was called to order at 6:20 pm. All Officers were in attendance except for the Chaplin, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Lecturer, Warden, Outside Guard and the Second-Year Trustee. All absences were excused.

- ❖ The Wallace Council presented the State Traveling Gavel to the Council Grand Knight.
- ❖ The Recorder noted that all present were credentialed.
- ❖ The Grand Knight led the Council in the opening prayer
- ❖ District Deputy Gene Ziemba led the Council Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
- ❖ The Minutes from the September Council Meeting were approved by motion.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER's REPORT:

The Grand Knight presented the Treasurer's report. We currently have a total of \$7,737.00 in checking and \$2,000.00 in Cash Deposits.

NEW APPLICATIONS REVIEW:

No new applicants were presented this evening.

FAITH & FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS:

No reported actions this meeting.

CHAPLIN REMARKS:

As Father Bill was excused no Chaplin Remarks were given.

CHANCELLOR REPORT:

No items reported this meeting.

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

Brother Joe Costy reported:

- Ministry Recognition Dinner – *Was a great success with close to 60 attendees. Left over food, hot dogs and buns went to UNCW Campus Ministry and Salvation Army Day Kitchen.*
- The **PETE BAXLEY TURKEY DRIVE** – *A Knights led drive to secure and distribute turkeys for needy families. Scheduled for November 9/10 and 16/17. We will be selling Vouchers for 9-12 lbs Frozen Turkeys (feed 6-8 people) in the Court before and after Masses. The Donation is will be \$20.00. Delivery method to Saint Joes Food Pantry will be by truck so assistance loading and unloading will be needed on Delivery Day (November 20th). Expect an email as details are are defined.*
- Christmas Basket Raffle – Sales Scheduled 12/7-8,12/14-15, 12/21-22. Volunteers will be needed at each Mass on those dates. Drawing following the 10:30 Mass on 12/22.
- Dining Out With The Knights – *Dinner at Cousin's on October 23rd. As of the Meeting 28 seats remain. Please make your reservations this week!*
- Council Christmas Party – *Our Annual South Beach Dinner scheduled for Tuesday December 10th*
- Baby Bottle Drive Supporting Right To Life – *Parish Wide Drive lead by the Knights to raise funds for the purchase of advanced sonogram machines for Clinic use. Planning for early January.*

REPORT OF THE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR:

The Assembly Meeting is next Tuesday (10/15) at Saint Mark.

The famed Knights Bocce Ball Tournament was held on a Sunday in perfect weather. Assembly 2017 under the command of Frank Bio rose to victory over Assembly 3952, in just two games. Assembly 3952 FN Gene Ziemba noted that next year the outcome will be different.

Knights from Saint Therese recently completed restoration of the Blessed Mother Groto in the rear garden at the UNCW Campus Ministry. This included refurbishment of the statue and the arbor itself. Some 7-10 Students pray the Rosary every day there.

The Assembly is once again launching its Wreaths Across America Drive. Wreaths can be purchased on line by going to the Assembly Website and looking for the link. Each Wreath is \$17.00 and can be dedicated to a service member if desired. The Assembly will again be assisting in Wreath placement and removal at the Wilmington National Cemetery.

The Veterans Support Raffle is underway. The drawing will be held on November 19th. Tickets can be purchased at Council and Assembly Meetings.

On November 9th the Assembly will be marching in the Wilmington Veterans Day Parade. Brothers are invited to join and should wear their Assembly or Council Shirts.

November 11th the Assembly will join in celebrating the Veteran Day Mass at Saint Mark (8:00 am). Following the Mass all Knights will gather to say the Rosary. Council 12885 Grand Knight Anthony will be leading a decade of the Rosary. Brothers are encouraged to join him.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REMARKS:

The District Deputy briefly reviewed the Actions and Immediate plans of the State Councils and leadership in answering the calls to help all those impacted by the hurricane in Western North Carolina. He noted that we are very early in the search and rescue phase with at least a decade of challenges in front of those communities. Gene called our attention to the already existing "PENNIES A DAY FUND" as one method to assist with long term support. He encouraged the Council to immediately donate supplies of water, cleaning and other sanitation items to Catholic Charities on Highway 421.

The District Deputy presented the Grand Knight and the Council with the COLUMBIAN AWARD on behalf of the State Deputy and Supreme. He noted that the Award encompasses leading and achieving in Faith, Family, Church and Community. "In short, the Council excels in doing everything Knights should be doing".

The Annual State Raffle just kicked off running now through May 2025. See our Grand Knight for tickets.

OLD BUSINESS:

Brothers need to be volunteering for Pete Baxley Turkey Sales and the Christmas Basket Sales.

The Tom Rice Road Clean up was held last Saturday. Two bags of trash were collected, followed by Breakfast at McDonalds.

NEW BUSINESS:

Joe Costy presented the dates and seed costs for the Christmas Baskets. The cost of materials is estimated at \$750.00.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to allocate \$750.00 for the purchases. Pat and Delores Kolenik will again build the Baskets for the Council.

The Council discussed the best way to move forward in supporting the needs of Western Carolina Communities. We have the flexibility in our existing budget to provide \$2,000.00. It was moved and seconded to make this funding available. It was further moved that a working team of the Deputy Grand Knight, Joe Costy, Greg Mosher and Ed Sullivan develop and approach and recommended entities for us to support both short and long term for final vote by the next meeting.

The minutes are amended by a motion, seconded and carried to clarify that the \$2,000.00 allocated has an immediate availability of \$500.00 with the remaining \$1,500.00 to be directed as appropriate by the Grand Knight following State Council Protocols.

CHAPLINS CHALLENGE:

There was no recitation at this meeting

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Veteran and State Raffles are underway. Please get your tickets early.

ADDITIONS TO THE PRAYER LIST:

Delores Kolenik wife of PGK Pat

Joe Rosty a new Knight from Council 2218 and the Assembly who passed suddenly in Colorado last week.

CLOSING PRAYER:

Led by the Grand Knight.

MEETING GAVELED TO A CLOSE AT 7:18 pm

Light Meal and Fellowship Enjoyed By All.