

MINUTES OF COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING -, April 5, 2022

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY \_ Grand Knight AT\_\_7:30\_\_\_\_ P.M.\_\_\_\_

OPENING PRAYER \_\_Our Father\_\_\_\_ BY \_Deacon Al Evans\_\_\_\_

OPENING ODE BY GRAND KNIGHT AND PLEDGE OF ALLIEGANCE \_\_BY \_Deputy Grand Knight\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: P=PRESENT, A=ABSENT, EX=EXCUSED

CHAPLIN: FR. STEVE ANTES: Ex

GRAND KNIGHT: JORGE RUIZ: Ex

WARDEN: JOHN ESPREE: P

DEP GRAND KNIGHT: JIM RUSSELL: P

INSIDE GUARD: EFRAIN OCHOA: Ex

CHANCELLOR: MIKE FITZGERALD: P

OUTSIDE GUARD: STEVE REID: P

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: PETE PERTA: Ex

LECTURER: WENDELL JEANPIERRE: EX

TREASURER: JAMES SMITH: P

1<sup>ST</sup> YR TRUSTEE: DAVID DYBOLA: P

RECORDER: RAMON PRESAS: P

2<sup>ND</sup> YR TRUSTEE: TOM GRECO: P

ADVOCATE: RUSSELL GULLY: P

3<sup>RD</sup> YR TRUSTEE: ALLEN REITMEIER: P

ARE ALL PRESENT IN POSSESSION OF A CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD: \_\_\_\_\_Warden \_YES\_\_

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: APPROVED, MOTION PASSED

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT: We are now possession of two lady of Guadalupe lithographs these were the ones that were available to those who donated \$500 or more to the wheelchair driveway in one of those is to be presented to and Eleanor Solis. Grandknight will call her and make arrangements to get into her the second one it's presented to the council the DDC recognition of the \$17,000 we raised for wheelchairs and we need to contact Fr. Eugene identify a place where it can be displayed to thank our Parish.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT (Pete Perta): Pete did send a report, membership stands at 226 news collected is 49%. Star council goal we have a membership goal of 11 and we currently have 10 we also need to have two family fraternal benefit nights or presentations to achieve this Star council. Food for families reimbursement was due on the 30th of June and was submitted on the 29th of March. The refund program also due June 30th was submitted and the 29th of March. and I did the math for March which was due at 4/15 was submitted the 29th of March.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer advised the Council of the most recent monthly bank account balance. Deputy Grand Knight: We are a step in the right direction

RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE (JIM KROWASKI (SP):

ADMISSION COMMITTEE (RUSSELL GULLY)- Deputy Grand Knight we met with a prospect before this meeting tonight, Mario Luna recruited by Ramon. Mario seems like a good guy and good to go ahead and very positive, with about 40 years of carpentry work. That's all good hopefully we can get him.

Recorder: I make a motion to install Mario Luna as a member.

Deputy Grand Knight: A second? Any discussion? Any oppose? Motion passed.

FAITH DIRECTOR (DEACON AL EVANS) no report

FAMILY PROGRAM DIRECTOR (DAVID DYBOLA):

Family of the Month is Dr. Robert Nieto. Dr. Robert great help with Wheelchair drive and Blood Drive

COMMUNITY DIRECTOR (DAN MURPHY) –

May 21st a Saturday going to have a fish fry for St. Joseph's Residents. We will cook fish here and then probably about 9-11am, more information coming. Probably we will need seven or eight people over there to sit up and serve fish. In the past we've done this 2 a year. COVID put a stop to it, now they are open for business. If you are available that Saturday, we could use the help.

Deputy Grand Knight: What else is on the menu?

Fish, Hushpuppies, and Cole Slaw. No fries...they will get cold.

You know we may not have a fish fry this coming Friday, with the water situation that should be resolving itself. We will hold off until Thursday, we have to notify the Parish, for announcements.

Deputy Grand Knight: I talked to Leonardo this morning and as of this morning they had not been able to locate the leak in this building. They know there is one they haven't been able to find, so the chances are getting fixed by Friday are slim to none.

We will see what happens, if it gets fixed, we have fish fry inside, with fellowship...like we are supposed to have.

PRO LIFE ACTIVITIES: (MIKE MOLOUGHNEY) – Out of town

Actually one thing at the last officers and directors meeting Mike presented the fact that the Bishop pro-life dinner is the end of this month. The parish normally takes the life piggy banks and the money donated to that is applied to purchase a table at that dinner however due to the COVID it's come up about \$400 short. So we discussed it at the officers and directors meeting and determined it needed to be referred to the general membership as you are bylaws so I'll entertain a motion anyone cares to make one they have us cop up to \$400 to allow the Parish to get the complete table as we have always done in the past.

I motion the Knights of Columbus sponsor the \$400 to allow us to participate. Thank you. A second? Yes. Any discussion? No further discussion, motion has been made seconded tonight to provide a check for \$400 to the parish house sponsor that pro-life table. All in favor, motion carried.

## TRUSTEE'S REPORT:

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE (JORGE RUIZ):

Last fall we discussed the scholarship committee discussed the rules for the scholarship needed to be updated to two things

One was to include any undergraduate or graduate, towards a degree. The other part was to indicate that if a person applies for a scholarship and for some reason their application is not approved they may resubmit their application and will be reconsidered and actually there were three things in there the third thing was that it is a onetime award if you receive this scholarship this year you cannot receive another one from this Council. Once Jorge reviews changes and agrees, we will incorporate rules to Scholarship program. Applications are being accepted from 4/1/2022 to 6/30/2022. Any council member who has a family member going into college or currently in college, they are welcome to apply. We have 3 scholarships available.

FIRST DEGREE TEAM: (TOM GRECO) – Exemplification problem we may have. Deputy Grand Knight thank you just planning and exemplification this time next week just mentioned you to me that told me I will check with Melissa in Parish office about whether we can get sanctuary on our usual night. Of course, this will be our 11<sup>th</sup> member that'll make our goal for the year of membership. In the past, issues and with the current issue of Columbia I noticed this little book that was advertised called Vivat Jesus which is our Faternal greeting. Cost me about 7 bucks, I ordered it gives you monthly devotions and prayers, and information about the Knights of Columbus. So I ordered six of these to be given to our new Knights as we they enter the Order. I used this every morning in my prayers, so really enjoyed, like I said it was advertised in Colombia. And you could get it from Knights gear and check that out, that's my report.

Exemplification is on Tuesday.

I mentioned that the Council had received that lithograph of Our Lady of Guadalupe and we need to get with Fr. Eugene and find out where we can put. And I was on the phone this afternoon with the brother Kowalski and he suggested that we approach Fr. Eugene about hanging our council charter somewhere where the parish could see it. OK yeah I've little bit about it you know this room doesn't have a whole heck of a lot on the walls. It's a place the Parish meets casually for one thing or another. I think that would be perfect on that wall with our Charter next to it and maybe the Catholic daughters Charter on the other side.

Jim also asked me to announce that there will be a Special Olympics track and field event at Cedar Hill high school on Friday April 22nd Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup>. He said it would require three shifts of volunteers volunteers basically passing out awards to participants, no judging, you don't have to referee. A Friday shift would be from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM and the first shift on Saturday would be from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM with the 2nd shift from 12:30 PM to 5:00 PM so there's a half hour overlap. We gonna have sign up sheets available up here. If you are available, you got the time, he assures me that this is a real

enlightening event. Passing out these awards to these kids is really something once you do it, you never want to not do it. We'll have paper up here where you can sign up for this with your name, shift that you would like to attend.

RETENTION (ALLEN REITMEIER) – Allen reports we have sent a letter to seven Knights informing them that we will be removing them from the rolls if they do not bring themselves current. These are Knights who have not paid their dues for the past six years. Robbie Zablan has joined retention committee we continue to mentor new Knights on an ongoing basis, while many of the recent inductees into our council our well deserving in the honor of Knight of the month, he is giving me the name of one which we will come up with it was later.

Any questions?

We have given these 7 Knights ample opportunity to bring their accounts up to date. We told them they pay the current year's dues, that all past dues would be forgiven, so far, no response. We end up paying for their dues to Supreme for membership, even they haven't contributed, about \$25 of dues each one.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: (VACANT)-

KNIGHT HANDS COMMITTEE: (ALLEN REITMEIER)-EX

Following projects completed: David Dybala

Say since our last meeting we've completed six projects and then you list everybody under the sun here Jesse and Greg help pick up and deliver a double oven and microwave for the pro life Commission that was five man hours.

Al and I repair leaking facet that was 2 man hours.

Jose put in a garbage disposal that's three hours.

Jose Mentosa tried to start Alicia Williams car I don't know if they were successful or not but he said that took four hours.

James Smith and I painted two posts two men hour

Dan Murphy, David Dybola, David Ybarra, Larry Bolaya, Mark Evans, and Allen built a pedestal base for the Saint Joseph statue in the courtyard which will be our which took 53 man hours.

And it would remind us that the Knight hands is again participating in the PIP program with Duncanville which will be conducted the last weekend in April 28th 29th and 30.

Jose Mentoya bend the steel for the St. Joseph statue. Supposed to be very similar to the one Mary is on. This pedestal is supposed to be very similar to the one yes, a match. This will be a welcome addition to our court yard.

CONCESSIONS COMMITTEE: (ALLEN REITMEIER); EX

Baseball it's off and running with fewer games than previous years but much higher revenue per game they also had a 20 games of surprise tournament last weekend this far we have taken in approximately \$5300 in total sales. And there is a World Series planned for the week of June 16th so kind of keep your June 16th weekend free I'm sure you'll be getting the call.

HEALTH COMMITTEE: (DR. ROBERTO NIETO): No Report. But as a suggestion is for a blood drive in summer. If possible, we can have blood drive on a Sunday.

Deputy Grand Knight: Summertime is a good time for a blood drive. Just check with Parish office to see what Sundays are available.

Dr. Nieto: I will check with Parish Office. Any activities taking place in June or July?

Deputy Grand Knight: Only Officers Installation usually takes place on a Saturday evening.

FOURTH DEGREE REPORT (JIM RUSSELL)- funeral for Sir knight Alonzo is scheduled for this Saturday April 9th at 12:30 in the Church. All Knights are required to attend if possible, if you do, please if you're a second, third degree wear your Knights shirt or dresses for Sunday. If you're a 4th degree Knight you care to you can wear your tux and/or sash.

Our next exemplification for the 4th degree will be Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup> at Saint Matthews Pope John Paul II's family center. We have one candidate Alex Sabo and we have another possible candidate Dennis Hudson. Anyone who wishes to become a fourth degree Knight, come see me after meeting, a form to fill out. It's a long hike for all of us to Longview, but normally we have two a year. One in East Texas is usually the spring summer early summer and one in DFW area usually in September October.

AWARENESS COMMITTEE REPORT: (JORGE RUIZ):

SAFE ENVIRONMENT: (JORGE RUIZ):

MISCELLANEOUS REPORT:

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: (MIKE MOLOUGHNEY) NO REPORT

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: (VACANT) – NO REPORT

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: (JAMES SMITH): NO REPORT

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: (DAVID DYBALA): NO REPORT

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS- No

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH- (GK)- Russell Littleward (sp)

FAMILY OF THE MONTH- (GK)- Dr. Robert Nieto and family

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT: (KEBRAN ALEXANDER): Absent

SACRAMENTAL GIFTS: (KEITH ARCHER):.

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS: (WENDELL JEAN PIERRE): NO REPORT

LECTURER: (WENDELL JEAN PIERRE): EX

Available on line.

PRAYERS OFFERED TO BROTHER KNIGHTS :

Military and First Responders

Wendell Jean Pierre

Ukraine

Juan Hernandez

CLOSING ODE AND CLOSING PRAYER \_Our Father\_\_\_\_ \_ BY Deacon Al

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:14 PM

50/50 Drawings: 2205

Meeting Winner: David Ybarra

Meeting Attendance: 22