

MINUTES OF COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING -, May 3, 2022

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY _ Grand Knight AT__7:30____ P.M.____

OPENING PRAYER __Our Father____ BY _Grand Knight__

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: P

WARDEN: JOHN ESPREE: P

DEP GRAND KNIGHT: JIM RUSSELL: P

INSIDE GUARD: EFRAIN OCHOA: P

CHANCELLOR: MIKE FITZGERALD: P

OUTSIDE GUARD: STEVE REID: P

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: PETE PERTA: P

LECTURER: WENDELL JEANPIERRE: EX

TREASURER: JAMES SMITH: P

1ST YR TRUSTEE: DAVID DYBOLA: P

RECORDER: RAMON PRESAS: P

2ND YR TRUSTEE: TOM GRECO: P

ADVOCATE: RUSSELL GULLY: P

3RD 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: Gentleman Grand Knights report I'd like to begin by sharing a little bit of the experience that we just went through this past weekend we attended the Knights of Columbus Texas State convention in Corpus Christi it was extremely well attended it's been the first one that has been in person for since ours was canceled in 2020. We were supposed to have hosted it in 2020 here in Dallas the team that I was on we were all ready to get going and in March 29th they called us and said because of COVID we had to cancel so it was a very frustrating experience. We are happy to report that we are gonna be hosting it again next year here in Dallas and pretty much the same team that was already to go in March of 2020, is gonna be doing what we had already practiced, to do once only we're going to do it better. We're gonna be holding it at the Sheraton Dallas hotel, bear with me one second and it will be in the middle of downtown Dallas there's gonna be a golf tournament and all kinds of activities say Friday night event that it's we call casino night, a lot of fun activities so I hope that you all will mark your calendar for a year and join us at this convention we will need all the help we can get from our Council and so please plan on attending that it'll be a lot of fun I'm sure how many of you have been out of convention before I raise your hand. OK great wonderful the rest of you haven't you're gonna enjoy it tremendously I guarantee you all Knights are welcome to attend the Friday seminars and the Saturday sessions that's it not the Sunday voting 'cause that's for the delegates. So keep that in mind Corpus Christi did a fantastic job posting theirs and we stayed at the Omni hotel with great view of the of the Bay and we hosted a hospitality suite on behalf of the Dallas chapter and so we entertained a lot of the people that showed up there was probably at least 1600 Knights who showed up and the banquet on Saturday night was probably twice as many so it was very well attended the masses our incredible masses high masses we probably had about 18 priests, 16 to 18 priests on stage and the 4th degree that

that showed up it was probably a procession of about 50 4 Degree Knights in uniform and it was quite quite a sight to see so very impressed with the with the turn out there so keep that in mind the conventions are a wonderful way to explore the rest of the the Knights of Columbus experience that we're undergoing here so keep it in mind Hector was one of the delegates include with myself included and Jim Kowalski also was present who else from our Council that was it right the three of us yeah we had several other people from the chapter and from other councils in attendance from our area so we had a nice group and we had a lot of fun but Hector do you want to share anything about your first experience in a convention?

Thank you pretty much covered it was fantastic it was it was a nice experience and like you said it's gonna be the opportunity for my first experience

Grand Knight: Thank you the elections that took place on Sunday elected a whole new team of state officers including Terry Fruge who's gonna be our new state deputy, I think Ron Alonzo is gonna be our Secretary, if I remember correctly. All of that will be published on their website I'm sure on the TKofC.org website, it was very interesting and if you never seen an election for the Knights of Columbus it's also very fun experience there was a couple of three officers that I think that were contested election the others were pretty much as unopposed, so it was fun very interesting highly encourage you to attend. The other item I wanted to mention is that we are we are within reach of Star council award and the Star council award we haven't achieved for a few years. We're so close to it that I really want to encourage all of us to help us get there. The only things we need are two things and that's attending two online seminars that are about retirement planning the insurance agents in our area put on and a seminar online I have already published it on our website. Let me just put it up on the screen real quick, here yeah they call for eternal benefits night and you sign up I have it on this on this page and our website. If you come just follow this these links here you can register for the May 26th event so we're talking about a month from now and then on June 23rd will be the second one. Now that is all we need to make our Star council award and it's a really wonderful recognition. We've worked hard to make this council, to run this council well to run it professionally, and it Star council award pretty much recognizes that. It's means we've submitted all our forms on time, we've paid everything we needed to pay to the supreme, and the state agencies, and it just shows that we are professionals running a good Council. Look at the attendance tonight, we have a really good council, strong, there's a lot of interest, we have a lot of activities. We deserve to have that plaque that says that we did everything well. So all it takes is for us to sign up for one of these seminars that about one hour long and I have to promote them into church and in the bulletin and in the flock notes and if any of you have any interest in learning a little bit about retirement plan this is from one of the experts in our nation. Sir you have a question:

Is there a percentage of the parish that have to attend?

It is assumed that some of those who register are going to attend, and even if you know one or two or three people attend, it's wonderful because some people do get incredible information there that mainly maybe they haven't had before. This is for the general public and for Knights. OK keep that in mind that is all we need to get our Star council. We have met every other criteria including, membership is always a big one, and we have gone over and above.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT (Pete Perta): Membership stands at 227, unfortunate passing of Alan Alonso, we had transferred in from another council Nelson Zavala, we're a couple members transfer out

Dan Cookenbach he went to Arlington and then Noah Ensigns, he went to Weatherford. New members and they're actually both here. Mario Luna he just joined if you'd like to say a few words:

Mario: I was born and raised in Corpus Christi TX Corpus Christi. I have 11 grandkids three girls and one boy and four great grandkids. I live in Glenn Heights, work for Tarrant County College and I'm also a Carpenter in my 40 years of being a Carpenter.

We love carpenters here!!

I do a lot of maintenance work, cabinetwork, if a cabinet breaks or something here or door falls off.

Mario, Allen and I, we welcome you we welcome you!

We also got Martin Carloka, he just joined just last week.

Mary and I move to Cedar Hill, I look forward to working with you guys. I have a cement work background and connections.

We've had three members attain honorary life status honorary life is when you have at least 25 consecutive years of service and you reach 65 years of age Carlos Favila, Mike Higgins and Edwin Brady. When you become honorary in life you no longer have to pay dues. As far as our 2022 our membership dues collected year to date were at 50%, of course when you join this year you don't have to pay dues. You start paying next year not do is only 30 bucks a year and most of that money goes to we pay so much to the state Texas Knights of Columbus state for capital and charities and the supreme so we pretty much like your dues and pretty much goes back out you know 'cause obviously the state and supreme does charitable works also. As far as Star council goes we had a membership quota of 11 and we brought in 12. And I'll just add to Jorge, the requirement is that I successfully submit form SP7 by June 30th but I got it all filled out, so I was the other missing requirement. Our budget year to date budget report and our budget goes from July 1st to June 30th we spent I got only down we spent 47.4% of our budget. So we've done a great job there some of the money that we received I've given to Jim when we hit our officer director meeting all dues we've collected 350 bucks RSVP we sponsor 5 seminarians we give them a donation of \$500 each and they use it for expenses and books maybe trips or something but we get back from supreme 100 bucks reimbursed to us so I already turned in the check we got back supreme to our counsel for 500 food for families you know part of our donation to the church goes to the food pantry we actually know that they like \$1000 for the food pantry but supreme that reimburses us \$200, so we got that check for our back to us. Some of the forms that are family of the month April is been submitted I gotta submit form SP7 to make us lasting for Star council. Could you I'm sorry pardon me, could you explain what the SP7 form?

It kind of highlights all the different activities we've done whether it's church activities, community activities like sponsoring the seminarians, doing the food bank, the wheelchair mission you know we obviously raised enough money to purchase 113 wheelchairs so I kind of that one form I have with me but I can bring it next time it kind of highlights some of the key events that they like outline to see councils do Sacramental gifts we are regular participation in our Sacramental gift program for Keith Archer who's not here. You know they give they got for communion and baptism you know they get like a Cross or Bible Keith has different thing confirmation he has different things specified that we give him from the nights and then the community activities all our stuff we do in the community. As far as whether it's you know Hike for Life, that'll prayer events by the abortion clinics, all that stuff that they designated they like to see councils do. This is one part of requirement for Star Council. Lastly when I

submitted our mailed in our council taxes once here we gotta do May 15th. So I got that all sent in and then we have a Knight in Need fund basically it's a fund we started by just donations we collected from members basically when a brother knight has emergencies, we've had some in the past they've lost their job or family illness. We actually developed a Knight in Need slowly funded by people just wanted to give donations, so that when these emergencies come up you know we're not just trying to take everything from our council funds. People want to donate, we donate you know, and we have another Knight in Need fund we initially took in about \$738 we've dispersed about 333 so we got about \$404.00 in our Knight in need fund so when those emergencies pop up and just an ongoing fund we're gonna do you know for those occasions you know where we try to help out our own fellow Knights.

Thank you Pete

You give permissions how recorded James will put it in our account and I keep a running tab and the donations can also be pay for and purchase rather on our website in the store. Yep, there's a one item there called item Knight in Need, yes, dues can also be paid online, also to our our store.

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): Two reports one Membership and Special Olympics. As you're heard a few minutes ago we just lacked Feteral benefits to make Star council, it also will qualify us for the Lone Star award, which is considered in Texas larger than the Star council. Texas is the only state in the United states that has an award higher than Star council. We have to meet everything to get Star council plus you've got to do some other things, you've got to pay fees at a certain time, you have to have two people at the state convention, and a number of things.

Special Olympics: I've got a letter here from Phil Coup, he was one that was in charge of Special Olympics we had at Cedar Hill and I'll just go ahead and read you the letter he wrote and then give you a little more information.

Phil coup letter:

Thank you so much for all your work on Friday and Saturday helping with the Special Olympic track and field event, you were great servants of our Lord and made this a very special and successful memorable event where so many athletes and their families this was very important for most of them, since because of COVID, it is the first event in which they could participate in over two years. For many of them this is one of the most important things in their lives we had a great team of our experienced veterans and enthusiastic new volunteers I hope that you all had an enjoyable experience and will join us in our future events. Early November bowling is the largest Special Olympics event of the year, last year there were about 2500, to give you an idea of how large. Fort Worth had about 100 bowling. I'm attaching our 2022 schedule so that you can mark these dates on your calendar if you wish, I will be getting with all of you. I am so humbled to work with all of you insert will be special people the Knights of Columbus was one of the founders of the Special Olympics movement and our support both financially and with our great volunteers is stronger than ever thank you for giving your time As for our great work.

Then I've also got here a little information for all of those that participated to where you can pat yourselves on the back it was the largest participation of a single council at any special Olympic event

we had 14 people from our council at that event, the most they've ever had from the single council.
Grand Knight: Let's give ourselves our hands!

I also have a picture here that they took that I'm going to pass around some of us that someone that were here I'll let you get that around but it wasn't enjoyable then guys really was I I don't have the information here as to how many or what the dates are going to be for the next events but everybody that signed up will get that into mail. Also suggested to me, select one or two of the people that were there at the event to give their feelings of the entire program. I went ahead and selected two that, so I'm going to ask him and say in a few words how they filled during the program and after it and the person I'm going to ask to stand up and give his impression was one that feels that he's never seen anyone is excited about a program that he did

Ramon: It was my first time going my wife Melinda went. There's a few times in your life when you go to an event and you forget everything that is going on in the world. The smiles on their faces, so many smiles, they're so happy. I just cannot put enough words, it's incredible, if you have not been you, need to go. You really, really do and I'm gonna go again my wife is gonna go again because it is incredible. I highly recommend, they'll shake your hand, they'll say thank you, they don't know you. They just know that you're that you are there for them and it's incredible. The parents are friendly, it's just so uplifting, I just can't say enough about it so thank you.

David: thank you this was my second or third time that I've been to Special Olympics and every single time is just like the first, it's like Ray says it's uplifting, it just wants you to do more. And you do get good feelings when you see it, the parents great. I can't wait till November to go.

ADMISSION COMMITTEE (RUSSELL GULLY)- No Report

NOMINATIONS- Worthy Grand Knight OK we have annual elections at the June meeting which is means a month from now, we present a sleight of hands that we nominate. The way this works is in May will be additional nominations can be made to the floor in addition to what these nominating committee is put together and do we have any elections and then those also from June to July 1 to the subject of June 30. In this year's nominating committee consists of a Jack Ramson, Tom Greco, and myself. It's usually the case we have some new faces, among the nominees for officers. Al right now just go ahead and read these:

The nominations are:

Grand Knight- Jim Russell

Warden- Efren Ochoa

Deputy Grand Knight – Mike Fitzgerald

Inside Guard- Steve Reid

Advocate- Russell Gully

Outside Guard- Russell LeRoy

Treasury- James Smith

1st Yr. Trustee- Dan Schneider

Chancellor- Paul Ryan

2nd Yr. – David Dybala

Recorder- Ramon Presas

3rd Yr. Trustee- Tom Greco

All are present, looking for the year to come.

We also have Financial secretary, appointment supreme - Pete Perta

And Lecturer Wendell JeanPierre appointed by the GrandKnight.

So those are our Candidates for officer for the upcoming year. Additional nominations available that can be made for at that time (June Meeting),

GrandKnight- very good if I may I just like to ask all those gentlemen stand.

FAITH DIRECTOR (DEACON AL EVANS) no report (ex)

FAMILY PROGRAM DIRECTOR (DAVID DYBOLA):

Worthy Grand Knight for tonight what we have is our family the month for the month of May, he's a member Knight that means so much to all of us. He and his wife, wonderful wife, who works in the church office and helps. I can't list all of the things that he does, Allen Rightmire. Yeah!!! Really appreciate all of that Allen does. Way to go Allen!

COMMUNITY DIRECTOR (DAN MURPHY) – So Sir like Dan Murphy, I got a couple things: one will just wrap up the fish fry, have one week cancelled, due to water issue, here at the church then we had ones actually back indoors, but you guys were there and we're pretty well. But unfortunately we didn't know we could do that to Thursday night before Friday, so I'm not sure the word got out to the entire parish. A pretty good chunk of folks show up for that one but those are two of the handicaps we required and we ended up with it's 15 cases of fish left. We got some plans how to use it up but it's right there and the reason for that is, we were told about Cisco who we buy it from back in the February, when we were looking at this. They couldn't guarantee us that they have fish every week or hush puppies every week or anything for that matter. We were advised, get an estimate on how much clear gonna use and go ahead and buy it over three weeks. Which is what we did and we actually bought it certainly less than we used up last year, but for the various reasons probably put in so much as we did but luckily we ended up actually coming out ahead from this thing oh almost \$1000. I'm not sure exactly how we pulled that one off, but it worked out and we get some donations from people and so forth so we were afraid. We're gonna go on the red we did so we got a little bit in the black on this one, but thanks to everybody that came out we had a good crowd specially when we're little worried when we went back to the indoor operation whether we have enough people we did we had several people wives came helped and other people did too and so it worked very well first overalls was quite pleased with that we're doing well I'll do both second one then go back to something along the line with Jim they were talking about having the state convention reopened after two years.

And so forth we're going to finally be able to go back in person to Saint Joseph nursing home how you all been there I think a lot of you have role playing I think you can actually get to it from 35 again they've had that area torn up quite awhile but on the 21st of May we're gonna go over there and we're gonna use up our fish or some of it not all of it but they were excited about that rather than hot dogs and hamburgers so they were they were looking forward to that one what I wanna do is I gotta list here we're gonna start at 8:00 o'clock in the morning cooking the fish we're going to do all the prep here and then we're gonna run it over to Saint Joes they have some options over there we could use until treasury served and then we're gonna serve it around noon time frame that'll depend a little bit on whatever priest comes to same asset when he gets here but somewhere around around the looney just timeframe we're going to serve the food and then we clean up and come back So what our guys the list here I'm gonna pass it around I know it's still a few weeks off but we're gonna need no half a dozen or better to cook you know those guys want to go out to Saint joes afterward that's great if you can't get in

here till about 11 or 1030 eleven o'clock and just go to Saint Joseph help out that's great also so I want to pass a listing around if you think you can help out please do we column people 'cause we need about 10 or 12 people at Saint joes to do it properly 'cause we set up and if you've never been there it's also a show plus social advantage with people that are there we've got a few, Leo Mattingly there right now. And there's some people there, I can't don't have much family come visit them, your wives welcome come they would like to socialize with the folks are always great to do good. These people have been shut in because of COVID.

Russell: the Sister there told me one of the hardest things they're not seeing other people their families or people couldn't come in yeah so my mom was there she died there and they had a funeral in there so I think it's really important for us Let's do that it's a special place is and more people there helping people get happy or sister said the worst thing was they were so isolated when they were shut down that was just really rough.

Dan: so you think you come on May 21st which is this Saturday so I know Baseball games probably going on.

GrandKnight- yes it is listed on our calendar so if you wanna just add it to your calendar just check out our calendar it is listed there.

Dan: I got one other two parts one of the requirements of using in this both the city and the Diocese cooking so forth in the cafeteria we get people certified. We've got about 10 or 12 right now it's not quite that many but we would like everybody goes through it it's about a two hour online program he goes through it comes from Alisa Ramos.

GrandKnight_ servesafe.com is the website

Berry put together a book about procedures for kitchen that conforms to the city especially it's going to be in the kitchen. When get time, come look through it, it covers some really good stuff that we all need to be very careful about. The worst thing that could happen is somebody in this food poisoning.

Berry- only takes two cases from Dallas County to step in and shut you down for several weeks, until they're satisfied with how clean you are.

GrandKnight- yeah and if for those of you who haven't taken the safe food handler certification online like Dan said it's a couple of hours, it's really stuff that we all think we know because we've been in the kitchen all our lives. There are some little things that really amazing to find out like food begins decaying between two temperature, a low temperature and high temperature and anywhere in between there bacteria is growing and it grows very quickly. So it's good to know that below 40 degrees and what is it above 180, I'm sorry 135 is we need to make sure that our food is either over 135 or below 40 degrees so things like that and also simple logical things like the stacking order in in a refrigerator. You don't want a package of chicken that you're thawing out to be on the top shelf because they tend to leak and if you leaking chicken juice onto a tray of fruit on the bottom shelf you're going to contaminate yourself. That could be very painful experience, so we are all learning how to properly start things and refrigerator, so many little common sense items, that you'll discover that you were taking for granted,

you never thought about. Food handler certification and I believe I have a link on the website also so thank you Barry for that book, that book will be available in the kitchen so for quick reference.

PRO LIFE ACTIVITIES: (MIKE MOLOUGHNEY) – I'm sure everyone's heard of what happened last night with the draft to overturn Roe V Wade the 1973 decision that legalized abortion from nationwide were over 63 million babies killed, murdered the draft is genuine the draft. If the draft is genuine, which we believe it is, because Justice Alito would have immediately refuted it when it was made public yesterday. This marks the first time in the Court's history a draft opinion of the Court has been leaked while the case is still pending. That's a big thing, when Roe V Wade is overturned by the Supreme Court it puts these decisions back into state hands and the people's representatives, where it belongs. There are 24 states that have said when it is overturned on the federal level, they would make abortion illegal in their state. And these states have done this years ago, Texas did a couple of years ago, Oklahoma State at this last past week, so not knowing that this was gonna happen. This ruling does not make abortion illegal in the United States, it leaves the decision up to the individual states. I have a feeling that there will always be abortion in certain states like California and New York for a long time. Who knows this may change people's hearts, minds and thoughts and help them to understand that life is precious and should be preserved. The battle is just beginning guys since the Texas heartbeat law that passed this past October abortions in Texas have been down over 60%. OK the women are now walking into pregnancy centers looking for help those who were going to look for abortions, same pregnancy centers even this one over here, they that they used to pass up while walking into abortion, seeking abortions are unable to get one because of the new law are being told by the abortion workers to speak to the sidewalk counselors outside. It's incredible where they used to try to hurt us, pregnancy center and then of course, there was a pregnancy center next to every abortion clinic in the state of Texas. Even though we do just think of it if abortion centers are referring their clients that are pregnancy centers because they don't know how to be because they don't know how to care from which is ironic because they call themselves Women's Health care. The abortion pills that are now sold everywhere including on Amazon are up over 200% so that's the other thing of course right now in Texas you know you can still have an abortion less than what was it 15 weeks. The abortion pill they're just being sold in the Planned Parenthood clinics instead of the abortion clinics. This battle has been waging off for 50 years but it's not over yet, there is so much work to be done and there are a lot of women and babies that are going to need our help, this is far from being over, it's just beginning. We've waited 50 years to get this far and it will be open turn we the the pro life group move that by June when when the Supreme Court ends their session that this was going to you know come out we didn't expect that this way but there's a lot of work the pro life movement knew this would happen someday and it were and prepared for it just this past weekend we had the bishops pro-life dinner with the goal of bringing in \$500,000 and that was accomplished this is done by donations and raffle tickets and auctions at the dinner there are there were around 1500 people at the at the dinner which costs about \$145 a plate and of course they have auctioneers and stuff like that and they do a very good job we actually we are the parish most parishes get tables this parish does not pay for their table we pay that are pro-life those baby cans that we give out in October every year those baby cans with all that change Zack comes back to us we send that to CPLC Catholic pro-life committee half of that goes to her pregnancy centers the other half comes back to the pro life organization at this parish we take that money and we buy a table for like \$1500 OK and then we try to get some couples to go there who have deep pockets so they can donate more money why I go I don't know because that's why I have that \$500 donation.

GrandKnight- so you attended the dinner and there's there was other people that were at the table, anybody from our council?

Mike: Fr. Eugene was there and he brought Ruben, Rachel and her husband went there, Randy, and myself and my wife sandy, and Dr. Fred Carlucci were there, and Mario and Becky Taumenbaug. Wonderful very nice so and just to finish up real quick the only reason guys the only reason this draft was leaked was to get reaction from the people with many protests and threats towards the justices to persuade them to change it as the evil one has taken on a taken a personal role in abortions with the culture of death and he knows he is going to lose guys this this is only been done to persuade or help persuade the justices from changing their minds or they can even their lives could be threatened you know it isn't evil act OK but this is not over so and abortions are not going to be overturned throughout the whole United States right away. But it is a big act and you know in 1973 it's not constitutional I mean the Supreme Court is there too you know work on the constitution itself you know and don't get me wrong in '73 you know a woman's right to choose to do whatever she wants to do with her body OK probably made a lot of sense back then. Technology and everything else today, but 3D technology and what we see today in doctors operating on babies, a doctor the other night said you know he was doing it and go test on a pregnant woman and this long needle you know how it goes through and it did he said he saw he saw it touched the leg of the baby and the baby immediately moves over to the other side feeling the pain so babies do feel this thing and you can't imagine what these babies must be going through and they're getting their limbs cut off so it's just it's disgusting and I've seen a lot of people in this but guys pray for it OK and don't be discouraged.

This was thought of last month, a plaque I want to talk to Father and also if we can get the Knights to actually donate this this our courtyard, it says in loving memory of the innocent victims of abortion, Columbus that would say 8157 and I want to dedicate this in January 2023 which is the 50th anniversary of Roe V Wade. We have a couple of months get this, I just I'll bring it back up again maybe next month. I'm not going to ask for any money right now 'cause I have no idea how much it cost I looked at some prices online looking less than \$2000 - \$3500. This will be a memorial; no other Parrish in the South of town has this.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

AWARENESS COMMITTEE: GK - and awareness committee awareness committee is the committee where we focus on the putting together the newsletter writing stories on the website taking pictures keeping the website telling the story of what we do and I'm happy to say that we are we have welcomed a couple of new members Jesse Zuniga in the back there Jesse stand up for a second everybody recognizes him from he helped us during the fish fries running the store he is very capable and a computer and a laptop and has learned how we operate that store online so we have someone now also that can jump in anytime to make sure that we continue to sell things online and can respond as a store so thank you very much Jesse.

Antonio Liska also another one of our new Knights he is also very computer savvy and he will be I am training him to be our next also website administrator and then along with Jesse they'll handle different

aspects of it Allen of course is still part of our awareness committee as Jeff Miller and myself so we have a pretty big team of people that will continue to make sure that we take care of all our communication so which I think is a major part of our of our success,

Steve Reid has joined us and he is gonna be our new email administrator the last couple of emails he has already sent from the software that we use and so he's already up and running on that so thank you again Steve Reid.

Moving on then to our council activities that was gonna mention we already talked about food handlers certification if anybody is interested in doing that I'll show you how that will be done I'll give you the link our church activities we have coming up of course our parish picnic and Pinnacle Sunday June 5th is coming up we're supposed to be gathering having a meeting with the church staff to discuss how they want us to help the church so we'll have to get back to you guys are our officers meeting in a couple of weeks with details on that will probably meet over the next few days or so but our last year participation was I think we I think one year we donated almost everything that we cooked and I think there another year we did about half of it or something like that in any case it involves cooking grilling some burgers and hot dogs, soft drinks that kind of thing and so we'll have more details on that in a couple of weeks.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE (JORGE RUIZ): our scholarships are open now if anyone has any leads that they'd like to recommend for application for our scholarships we have three scholarships we offer \$1000 each so if you have a if you know of a family member of a Knight that is thinking about going to college please let them know that there's an application on our website they can download fill out the right through essays they talk about their accomplishments in high school and in their community and basically what they think about for what they know about the Knights of Columbus organization very very nice feedback that we got last time we presented for scholarships last year.

Pete- is it only open to high school students graduating or if it's a first year college who didn't know we had this and they're gonna go into their second year they can apply.

GK- no that it is open to anyone enrolled in college as well now also and I think we have to change that language we were going to change that language on the application.

Deputy GK- I sent it to you yes revision right yeah basically it's open to graduating seniors individuals who accomplished the GED but they must be pursuing it agree yeah and anyone who's already in college again you know they can apply if you want to take a Spanish class sorry we're not paying for that you're going to pay for that on your own because unless it is requirement for your degree that you are also pursuing that's fine we and it's a onetime deal. If a candidate applies and for some reason didn't get selected one year they can reapply the next year.

GK- Right OK if anybody has any questions about scholarship you can email us or call us or talk to us today after the meeting

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION (MARK EVANS)- The spiritual reflection component of this is getting us as a fraternal organization to work together as a fraternity and pray and have spiritual renewal activities the first one that we will do is working along with the next Men's ACTS retreat in English which happens on August 4th through the 8th. but what we get as organization is a couple of points word Colombian award but what the ACTS retreat is it's a lay run activity where your brothers will actually be working with you through a program kind of an experience and what that experience will lead you through is it's prayer

it's there's mass there's reflection and there's conversation. and if you've never been to a retreat where you sit back and just reflect back on what you've done in life and where you want to go what you can do like how you can do it you really ought to experience. This it is a beautiful activity it is one that really forms community and it is one that you'll probably enjoy there's a cost, more than 90% of the cost of this thing goes to the retreat center you know for food lodging and all of that parish supports his some you know with photocopies and such thing but he acts retreat for the most part the cost is food and lodging. You eat very well, the gentleman that you'll go with on that retreat will probably be some that you'll bump into all the time at mass or other activities you will appreciate that shared experience. so right now on the team and we're looking for some more team members we have eight Knights already on that team which is wonderful, we are promoting this to you to actually attend. And then if you'd be interested in serving on team.

GK-You know I want to add a little bit to that is that obviously everybody knows foot right first of all raise your hand if you've been to an ACTS retreat you know quite a few of us already so we certainly have some candidates who will enjoy the experience tremendously and now that it is sort of sponsored by the Knights of Columbus also it gives us an opportunity to have a new program that we benefit that we that we can enrich our Council with so it's no longer just an outside thing that we were doing it's now part of what we can do as a team. So you know if six of us sign up to go to a retreat together that counts as a as a spiritual reflection event that happened in our Council. And yes we perhaps are eligible for some perhaps other awards and I haven't looked into that but you know everything that we do add to our council and rich is the kind of program that we're running so we now have the opportunity to make actually treats available to our own membership. And Mark everybody knows very active with the ACTS retreat for several years and so we couldn't have a better person at the chair of this committee so thank you for taking that on and I'm sure we'll have to continue talking about it as the time gets closer to August 4th to the 8th. Is there a deadline that you have to know by when people?

Mark- should be would really like to cut at least a couple of weeks ahead

GK_ OK alright very good thank you Mark

FIRST DEGREE TEAM: (TOM GRECO) –I got two exemplifications past month the council April 12 of course we welcome Mario Luna and last week, in my living room, we welcome Martin Carilota. That is to say that if you know a candidate who is unable to make the regular occasional second Tuesday of the month, we'll make allowances. Jorge and I came together in my living room and welcome Martin and wife Rosie, this is as always for Knights who can your third degree in 35-40 minutes now. Let us know a little in advance or our regular exemplification in sanctuary on the second Tuesday of the month. I haven't heard we have any candidates this coming so far yeah anyway that's that is my report. I have these little devotional books from the from the order called Vivat Jesus, it's a daily devotion that that I've used and I'm going to be presenting this to each of our new Knights as they join I already Martine and Mario copy and I've got a lot of copies here I guess if anybody would like one you could you could have one that's my report.

RETENTION (ALLEN REITMEIER) – alright so retention committee continues to mentor new Knights thus far we have mentored 17 Knights we anticipate that 15 of those 17 to be participating members long term I know you're gonna ask me what about the other two well one of the one of the ones passed away that was John Montoya(sp) and one of them moved after California, we're not sure we're going to

hear from him again, we just don't know. Thank you Jorge Ruiz, Jim Russell, Efren Ochoa, David Ybarra, Paul Ryan and John Espree who's recently retired from the committee, and Robbie Zablan. The retention committee is recommending the following Knights be removed from the rolls of the Knights of Columbus;

Our communication with these Knights has been through postcards phone calls, text messages and three letters if no response from any of these. Last letter mentioned they would be removed from the rolls of the Knights of Columbus but they do not respond by May 1st of this year and none of them did. None of these have paid their dues for the past six years their names are: David Camarillo, Gregory Camarillo, Rudy Hernandez, Ernest Alvarez the third that's the young, Michael Bender Jenzie, Jorge Camacho, Chris Easton, and Will Kozada. We are recommending Peter Perta to remove them from the rolls. I'm also gonna be stepping down as a director of retention soon and Paul Ryan has agreed to take on that role thank you Paul for sure by July 1st of this year we've already had a kind of a meeting to kind of transfer them.

So now let me do my thing that I like to do really a lot is this relatively new Knight has been active from the get go he has attended meetings regularly, worked at the ballpark, already was an important during the recent fish fries. So I present to you Retentions committee choice for May Knight of the month Jessie Zuniga. Applause!

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: (VACANT)-

KNIGHT HANDS COMMITTEE: (ALLEN REITMEIER)-: We had three major projects in this in April Mark Evans, Efren Ochoa, Dan Murphy, Antonio Rosa, Russell Leroy and I installed Hardie board lap siding on one wall of Antonio to my 25 hours working \$66 in material costs again a great experience with great men working together and Jose Montoya I forgot sorry sorry sorry for the full story and pictures go to our website stories. We built a base in the pedestal and installing statue of Saint Joseph in the courtyard David Dybala, is of course, with the lead night on this project that received help from Dan Murphy, Larry Bologna, Al Evans, David Guerra, Jose Montoya, Jack Ramson and myself we spend about 62 men hours on this project again for the full story and pictures go on our website.

And on Thursday and Friday of this past week we completed a PIP project which is a property improvement program in conjunction with United Methodist Church here in Duncanville and the city of Duncanville. Each year the city of Duncanville invites residents to submit applications for assistance in sprucing up, fixing up, repairing the exterior of their homes which means things like painting, pairing rotted wood, cutting trees, that sort of thing. On this particular job David Dybala, Jack Ramsen, Larry Bologna, Mike Fitzgerald, Kent Herrick, Antonio Rozao, Dan Murphy, Jesse Razo, David Ybarra, Jose Rios, John Espree, Jose Montoya, Efren Ochoa worked about 100 men hours to repair this home involve fixing a hole in the roof, fixing fences and cutting down a tree, trimming three other trees, where I forget fixing fences, 2 gates just a huge repair job. I'm so proud of the men that were there it just it makes me makes me humbled to be a part of that group again for the full story and pictures take a look at our website the stories on there watching these guys do this magnificent work.

I would also say that I'm stepping down in my role as director of knight hands soon. David Dybala will be assuming the role of director of night ends as soon as I can convince him to start taking the phone calls. For sure by July 1st, we have two we have two jobs in the in the hopper right now fact I'd like to do one on Thursday building a ramp anyway.

CONCESSIONS COMMITTEE: (ALLEN REITMEIER); First of all we're going into our we're already into our concession our baseball season and we all know our Allen Rightmire has been running our concessions business incredibly well over the last few years. Allen is responsible enough and he is going over and above he has selected some team members. Allen is training them to take his place and so I want to give Allen some time here because Alan also runs not just the concessions, but he runs Knight hands he runs our retention committee. Three areas in our council that Allen has been taking care for us so I'll give you Allen:

Allen: let me start with baseball thus far we've attended 94 games including 44 surprise tournament games from Kim Campbell and tournaments are awesome so that was really nice total sales to this point is \$12,386 with some about \$7230 of that that we'll keep and we can put in their bank means we pay the expenses and pay the Commission that's about 58% profit which is the highest ever we're averaging about \$131 per game a total gross sales which is again the highest it's ever been all the reasons I think it's just well-organized and well done. there are there are 17 league games remaining on the schedule a plus a year end tournament for sure we know that's going to happen there will be no World Series this year although we may get some overflow World Series games which are being played in Mansfield this year so we may get some games from that I I won't know until it comes up those games will be in the middle of June. there may be a couple other tournaments I just we just don't know there may be one this weekend I won't know until tomorrow afternoon anyway that's where we are in baseball the council I wish to thank the following for working one or one or more shifts at valley Ridge I know I tell people when they're out there working that nobody knows you're working out here you'll never get a thank you I thank him there but I want to thank him publicly right now Larry Bologna, Mike Fitzgerald, John Espee, Jerry Jacob, Russell Gulley, Hector Rubio, Jeff Miller, Francis Miller, Jesse Zuniga, Ken Herrick, Chris Edwards, James Smith, Miguel Hernandez, David Hernandez and Benjamin Hernandez those are two children, Antonio Razo, Reno Chava, Robert Tovar, Eduardo Torres, Erik Connor, Mario Ramos, Joe Cuellar, Dan Schneider, Chris Kubin, Ron Kynard, Peter Perta, and Steve Zender. I mean it's just it's a tribute to the men who spend time up there. Round of applause!

I have been kind of operating baseball or concessions for more than a couple of years but we won't talk about just the length of time there but I am going to be stepping down as director of concessions at the end of the spring season which will be sometime in mid June James Smith will take over for awhile, he says for awhile, I don't know what that means if a year or two or three but he's already he's in tune with everything that goes on out there he's been with us for a number of years so James Smith will be the director of concession starting July 1st of 2022.

HEALTH COMMITTEE: (DR. ROBERTO NIETO): Worthy GK, we have in the works another blood drive thank you for everybody who supported one last year and this will probably take place sometime in the summer so we're still trying to pin down a date. I will be involved in the health fair that is part of the fall festival so if you have any ideas on what you would like to see at the health please let us know you may have gone to another health threat in another parish or another civic event so if you have any ideas 'cause I think there's plenty of opportunity to make it a little better intensity experience for everyone and that is all.

FOURTH DEGREE REPORT (JIM RUSSELL)- 4th degree of course will have elections coming up actually discover your week from Thursday we're in the similar schedule but we have to have a report I think it's the 1st of June of the officers for the next year. We have an exemplification on June 4th it's in Longview TX anyone who wants to join the 4th degree I have forms here if you want to fill out the forms, now it's a little late to make that June 4th one , but I have I can get you the information for that one which will be very similar to the one that will take place in the Dallas Fort Worth area. The only other thing we're working on is our flag retirement ceremony which will be taking place in June. Please if anyone has any flags that need to be retired and they want us to do it please turn them into myself, or at the desk here in the Community Center, will pick them up and we'll take care of them for you.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT: (JORGE RUIZ):

MISCELLANEOUS REPORT:

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: (MIKE MOLOUGHNEY) NO REPORT

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: (VACANT) – NO REPORT

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: (JAMES SMITH): NO REPORT

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS- new business we have well first of all if anybody has any new business raise your hand but I am gonna bring one up first our brother Joe Eubank suggested a couple of weeks ago about perhaps doing a private screening of the movie Father Stu and you know some of you I'm sure have seen it I have not seen it maybe some of us who have not seen it yet right yet if you have not seen it OK still quite a few of us have not seen it. Joe suggestion I sent out a little survey and by email and then you know we had some replies I think probably about 30 replies. I asked a couple of questions, how many would you buy, most people said two that means we basically have already sold 60 tickets. We asked about some dates potentially I think it would be next week, I think we asked for Tuesday, Wednesday, Monday as potential dates. To get a feel for what people might be thinking about so we offered maybe an evening time like 7:00 o'clock Monday, 7:00 o'clock Tuesday etc. And that was pretty evenly split between those 30 people someone and Monday Tuesday or Wednesday so anyway it seems like there was some interest. Joe please give us a little bit of detail on what it would take for us to get this done and maybe let's see if we move forward .

Joe- I spoke with the Cinemark and they said that we need about 7 to 10 days notice if we do a theater we have to do the whole theater so that we had 95 seats so we have about the tickets movie is extremely inspirational it was to me anyway I was told about 10 years ago that God doesn't call the qualified he qualifies the call. This movie actually make me reflect on that and it's a powerful movie that we really do need to support.

It's not for children, laced with profanity, this guy was a heathen that turns out to become a priest. And an incredible conversion and experience so all we need is kind of commitment that everybody will be there it's gonna cost \$1000 or so for the theater and if we get everybody there and then maybe get

other people after that bring I've got a guy about 28 years old then I'm gonna take he's already seen it twice and we're just gonna see it again 'cause it's that good.

GK- so just and then on the numbers I think the tickets were at that and for private screening were \$8 apiece basically correct OK and we needed what was it about 90 seats 95 seats 95 seats or tickets OK and we know that we had about 60 of those pretty much saying yes they would come so I'm not sure is there do we have a time crunch time element to work with tomorrow in terms of the movie still on screen I mean obviously on the big screen.

Joe- I believe it is my check last weekend it was if we can get a commitment I can we can do it even if it's out of the movie out of it we can still see it later but we just need to set up a date and time Tuesday night which we are here once every four weeks you wanna do it next Tuesday I can see tomorrow we can do it and then drag everybody we can to go see it

GK- Way that we would make it happen with you we had put tickets for sale and the store we will send an email out to everybody saying we have decided we're gonna go to the movies on this night and tickets are \$8 you can buy one ticket two tickets or whatever available on our website so by a certain date and then we know we're already collecting money we go out then write a check for the for the theater and we'll be reimbursed with those with those tickets sale.

and perhaps make it available obviously not just to us but we'll send a a flock notes also and let people know the nights are going to be attending this theater or this date if you wanna come join us buy tickets online here's here's the link so it's a matter of really figuring out with what date again the people were split Monday Tuesday Wednesday but we could have easily put you know Saturday Sunday matinee you know so let's just do a quick poll here how many would be willing to go in the evening or or during the prefer a weekend matinee kind of thing so evening raise your hand OK alright how many would rather go like at for a matinee OK that's a lot less so how many would go during the week OK alright how many would prefer the weekend OK so obviously we want to aim at an evening maybe. yeah Wednesday night how OK Wednesday night just racing and Wednesday nights OK Tuesday Monday OK so some of it I'll you know Jose I'll go with you on Monday alright OK I have my hand off for both OK alright OK so so most likely Tuesday or Wednesday would be a better time but we but we can't do it next a week from tomorrow because it's not enough time so we have to aim at the one after right OK alright

Pete- very good article in the Columbia magazine about the real Fr. Stu.

GK- alright so anyway so do we have a motion to go ahead and set this up and make a private screening for Fr. Stu as a council possibly invite some others like alright we have a motion any second second OK second any discussion any discussion and discussion OK all in favor say aye aye aye any opposed OK so we will set up a date we will purchase some put a down payment on the theater get tickets out for sale and it'll be a fun time.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH- (GK)- Jessie Zuniga.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH- (GK)- M/M Allen Rightmire

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT: (KEBRAN ALEXANDER): Absent

SACRAMENTAL GIFTS: (KEITH ARCHER): Absent

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS: (WENDELL JEAN PIERRE): NO REPORT

LECTURER: (WENDELL JEAN PIERRE): EX

Available on line.

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PRAYERS OFFERED TO BROTHER KNIGHTS : Before we proceed to our closing prayer let me ask does any brother know of a member of this council or brother of the order who is sick.

Dr. Bill Dover

Mike Malonely

Pete - you've done yeah yes I just want to mention obviously we do have John Belasa wanna bring up John Belasa he is actually going to be relocating to Kentucky live at him his wife live by your son will be leaving sometime in June. So of course we all know John you know he's been a stallworth at the 5:00 o'clock Saturday mass with Marge. Once he retired he really picked up his activities with Knight hands and concession stands, and probably cookout so good to see you here at this meeting before you head out sometime.

John-25th last Texas will be driving out that day. APPAULASE

GK- yeah and we appreciate everything that you have done I know you've been very active on many of our activities so we're gonna miss you thank you for being a member of our council and a brother of ours joined in January 29th of 2013 is when he joined our council wow yeah thank you Sir.

CLOSING ODE AND CLOSING PRAYER _2 Hail Marys____ BY GK

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 9:05 PM

50/50 Drawings: 42391

Meeting Winner: Efren Ochoa

Meeting Attendance: 48