MINUTES OF COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING - 2/7/ 2023

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY \_ AT\_\_7;31\_\_\_\_\_ P.M.\_\_\_\_\_

OPENING PRAYER \_\_\_Our Father\_\_\_\_\_\_ BY \_Grand Knight

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

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

CHAPLIN: FR. STEVE ANTES: EX

GRAND KNIGHT: JIM RUSSELL: P WARDEN: EFREN OCHOA: A

DEP GRAND KNIGHT: MIKE FITZGERALD: EX INSIDE GUARD: STEVE REID: P

CHANCELLOR: PAUL RYAN: P OUTSIDE GUARD: RUEESLL LEROY: A

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: PETE PERTA: EX LECTURER:

TREASURER: JAMES SMITH: P 1ST YR TRUSTEE: DAN SCHNIEDER: A

RECORDER: RAMON PRESAS: P 2ND YR TRUSTEE: DAVID DYBOLA: P

ADVOCATE: RUSSELL GULLY: P 3RD YR TRUSTEE: TOM GRECO: P

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

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

January Meetings are on the Council website.

GRAND KNIGHT’S REPORT –

1. We will be giving the Parish our annual contribution after the next staff meeting when we be providing their lunch. SK James Smith has been working on the menu.
2. Lenten Fish Frys start 2/24/2023. Signup sheets are circulating, for setting up, cooking, serving, and clean up. Please sign up for at least one of these duties. This is the one event where Knights really show for the Parish. This year we will need a lot of help.
3. On 1/24/2023, I received an email from Brother Diego Joseph Ho, a Franciscan Friar and a brother Knight. Friar Ho has been serving as a missionary in Honduras for the last 9 years. I made a few copies of the email which can be passed around. Read it over and we can discuss it under new business.
4. This Sunday is Super Bowl Sunday in the past we have been asked to cook hot dogs. Has anyone heard or read any requests for this Sunday? No.
5. Fr. Eugene has requested that we postpone our wheelchair drive until after Easter.
6. Next general business meeting will be 3/7/2023, regular time and place.

Treasurer’s Report- SK James Smith

Financial Secretary’s Report- Pete Perta (out of town). Reported no change in membership since the last report. We have requested to have some delinquent members (15) removed from our rolls for nonpayment of their dues. These members will be placed in limbo and under Supreme jurisdiction.

Programs and Committee Reports:

Faith- Deacon Al- Absent Life- SK Mike Moloughney- Absent

Admissions- SK Jim Kowalski- No Report Awareness-

Family – Vacant Baseball Concessions- No Report

Community- SK Dan Murphy/David Ybarra Church Activities- No Report

Admissions- SK Jim Kowalski- No Report Council Activities- Vacant

Fall Festival- No Report 50th Anniversary- No Report

Health- Dr. Nieto- No report. New business maybe talk about 50th Anniversary for the Parish.

KNIGHT HANDS- SK DAVID DYBOLA- 3 projects since last meeting. Brother Dan Murphy, myself, and Steve Zander changed out of hot water heater for Roy Coomera.

Today, Alan Reitmeier and I repaired an area under the sink for Cynthia Pool. She had a water leak. She's continuing to have cancer treatment, but we were able to knock that out for her.

David Ybarra and I took care of changing out a bedroom door for an unwed mother that we were called on by Jesse Nobles, with the Gabriel’s Society.

We do have a project coming up this Thursday, here anyone else interested. We're going to start at 9:00am this Thursday. We're putting together a Playhouse of Cynthia Cromwell's grandsons. I think they're seven- and nine-year-olds. They tried getting someone from Angie's List to come and put it together and he worked for four hours and threw his hands up. There's 100 pages of instructions on how to put this together. It says it would take 14 hours for two average people.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT- SK Russell LeRoy- Absent.

SK Jim Kowalski- If you've got the case of the KC environmental coverage, you do not have to have the one with the Church and is it is accepted.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT- SK RUSSELL GULLY

RECRUITMENT- SK JIM KOWALSKI- From this previous DDC meeting that that was put on and one of the things that was brought up and a couple of the Councils are doing it: making signs that reserved a place for expectant mothers. This is kind of a pro-life deal. The signs were 35 bucks. Some of the parishes are already doing it. And you know, it's not a bad idea. Of course, will need to discuss it with Fr. Eugene.

Bishop Dunne is having an adolescent free throw contest this Sunday at 1:30. It's a lot of fun. You see a lot of people, a lot of kids, and you'd be surprised how many kids there can shoot 20 to 23 baskets out of 25. And you wonder why the pros can't. We are all invited to watch and or help out.

And another thing that's brought up is not a situation here, but they're talking about complaints. I guess Members haven't complained or something like that, follow the chain of command.: you go to your Council, then your district, then your diocese, then the state and then the supreme.

On the wheelchair mission.; we can look at May and June. I'm going to get with him. People say it's good if you have it two weekends in a row. I don't believe Father would go for that. But hopefully we can get something in the bulletin the week before. I also was going to request from Bill Weber, and this would be just for either one of our meetings, Pancake breakfast or something to show a video called the Gift of mobility; it'll be about taking care of these kids and how they handle it.

Then under membership. I'll be contacting some of you individually about helping with calling E Members to get them to transfer into our Council. I'm handling it for everything this side of the river, but I would only be asking you to do it for this Council. I'm gonna ask each of the Grand Knights of the other councils I work with to do the same thing. I'm going to pick up team members, take them to the meeting and take them back home.

If you want and go with the second and third degree, all you've got to do is go through an exemplification ceremony we have once a month.

ADMISSIONS- EXEMPLIFICATION- SK TOM GRECO- No report

RETENTION- SK PAUL RYAN- No report. We do have new business.

Former GK – Jorge Ruiz – Representing Dallas KC Chapter

Presentation of KC Texas State convention weekend in Dallas 5/5/2023-5/7/2023

Golfing, meetings, Church service, and Knights fellowship for members and wives/significant.

REPORT OF THE 4TH DEGREE- FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR – SK JAMES SMITH- No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- Recorder- Motion to approve 1/2023 Minutes.

GK- The motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS- GK-

Chancellor- 2/26/2023 Membership Appreciation Dinner is cancelled. A conflict of scheduling.

A motion was made suggesting that the money we had budgeted for the Appreciation dinner be split between the ASAP program and the balance added to the anticipated July Awards dinner. The ASAP program, Aid and Support After Pregnancy program. Supreme is pushing pretty hard for Councils to throw some money at that. That is what we've discussed as a retention committee.

Brother Mike Maloney, I did talk to him about the pro-life donation. He's all about the Council donating to that ASAP program.

SK Jorge Ruiz- I think it's a wonderful use of our time and our efforts and our money.

Chancellor-Would you like to make a motion for the Council to divert some funds from the Appreciation Dinner to ASAP?

SK Jorge Ruiz- I would make a motion to put (amount specified) for the ASAP program.

SK James Smith-Want to add this to the budget and do it yearly?

GK-Well, we can't do that right now.

SK James Smith- No. But I mean the next budget, yeah, I agree with you.

GK- We do have to get two votes, right?

Advocate- it'd be prudent to get two votes, yes, correct.

Chancellor-So I think that's fine. I expected that was gonna to happen. We'll do one motion tonight. Next month, we'll do another motion to get through that question. Thank you.

GK- Any other discussion on that piece?

SK Alex Sabo-Good to show our support in this battle, since it has now gone behind closed doors, of individual families. And basically, you're given the pill. You take the pill, you follow through with the process and that's it, and therefore it is much harder to fight.

GK- Motion to move some funds allocated for Appreciation Dinner this 2/2023 to ASAP program. Motion 2nded and passed.

GK- Motion to move remaining funds to Appreciation Dinner this summer. Motion 2nded and passed.

We will consider in our yearly budget adding contributions to ASAP.

SK Keith Archer-I want to give you an update on the Sacramento gift program, which you know takes place. During the Lenten season. The numbers are pretty good this year.

1. 108 1st Communion
2. 70 Confirmation
3. 21 RCIA

We'll be getting those made-up and Deliver to the parties ahead of time. I've got the schedule that they need them and everything so. It's started to let you know that is where we're at. Thank you.

SK-James Smith- City of Cedar Hill wants us to run concessions at their swimming pool. GK and I will meet with the powers that be.

GK- We are probably going to have a bid on this. This is a different animal than Baseball. Long hours, every day, in the summer. There are a lot of things we need to know before we put a bid.

SK- James Smith- Lets make a time to meet with City.

Dr. Nieto-I sit on the Committee for the 50th celebration of our parish, which will be actually May 2024. There are several different committees. I sit on the fundraising committee. We are doing some fundraising events that, hopefully starting the summer into fall. It's projected the project will probably cost about $50,000 and so it's a big ticket item. One of the things that we're looking at is possibly to make some bricks. Around the courtyard where people can donate sort of a memory brick. But again, we don't have any final approval on that. So, it is a big project, but I think it is a coming together of the whole parish. I mean a lot of different parishioners have come together. So, I would just like to give you just a heads-up on that. So certainly, more information will come on that.

GK- We have been asked for a donation to help Friar Diego Joseph Ho from Honduras. He is asking for a donation to help send two children to the World Youth Day in Portugal this summer. . I asked the pastor’s secretary to verify that the address in Honduras is correct. Our Youth Director did verify that the WYD will be in Portugal this summer. I am not sure if anyone in our Parish will attend WYD. Anyone want to assist?

SK Jorge Ruiz- Dallas Chapter is not aware of this letter circulating. We should confirm with District with verification.

GK- I can check with Supreme on letter and Franciscan Friar

Recorder- Expensive to wire funds international.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT- DD KEBRON ALEXANDER-Absent

GK- DD will be forwarding our list of members to be removed from our council roll to State.

LECTURER’S REFLECTION- (AVAILABLE ONLINE)

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

FAMILY OF THE MONTH- M/M Russell Leroy

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH- Jose Luis Ramirez

GRAND KNIGHT’S SUMMARY-

PRAYER REQUEST- Tom Greco have foot surgery. Jorge Ruiz’s brother passed away this past January. Men and women in uniform and first responders. Dr. Gonzalo Aillon cousin in Columbia is very ill.

CLOSING PRAYER- GK- Hail Mary

CLOSING ODE – GK

50/50- Not present

Ticket #2940 Dr. Nieto

ADJOURNMENT- 8:05 pm