

**Knights of Columbus**  
**Allouez Council 658, Rock Island, Illinois**  
**February 21, 2019 (moved from Feb. 14)**

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by Grand Knight Dave Yordy. The Opening Prayer was led by Deacon Swim and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

**Roll Call of Officers** - (P-present, E-excused, A-absent, N-not present, x-not applicable)

P - Grand Knight	David Yordy	E - Advocate	Kevin Houser
P - Deputy G.K.	Chuck Gibbs	x - Lector	Vacant
E - Chaplain	Msgr. Mark Merdian	P/E - Warden	James Britton/Dean Lackey
P - Assn't Chaplain	Deacon Russ Swim	P - Inside Guard	Bob Spalding
E - Chancellor	Rick Cervantes	A - Outside Guard	Dr. Bud Phillis
E - Recorder	Jim Mack	E - 1yr Trustee	Jim Wieland
E - Fin. Sectry	Tarre Kroft	P - 2yr Trustee	Louie Alongi
P - Treasurer	Bob VandeVoorde	E - 3yr Trustee	Jack Swan
x - Dist. Deputy	Vacant	A - Ins.Fld. Agnt.	Jeff Schaecher

**Minutes:** Were passed around. Louie made a motion to approve and Ray seconded. Minutes approved as presented.

**Admissions/New Applications or Membership:** None

**Grand Knight's Report**

- Consecration to the Holy Family article passed around.
- Letters
  - State: Membership was a big push in the past and with declining numbers the realization has been seen for the need to keep the KofC alive in Illinois so we can continue to be significant contributors to charity. Each member should recruit another member. The Council planning a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree at next council meeting in March and Major Degree May 19.
  - Women's Choice Center: Thank you for coats (sent from SPEC) and offered to speak to churches and organizations.
  - Pregnancy Resources: Asking for guests to join them March 28 at Bettendorf Water Front Convention Center. Tables of 8.
- Recruiting Pamphlet progressing – target to complete in March. Adding more pictures and less text.
- Sacred Heart C&C getting the details figured out for every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday.
- Sir Knight Larry Quane Pro Life Pancake Breakfast, rescheduled Feb 10 due to weather, went well. Letter of thanks needs to be written to Jordan kitchen director.
- Fish Fries – Mar 15 & 22 Lance continues to work on details. Need helpers to prep on Thursday early afternoon after Jordan is done. Sign up passed around. Details in abstract. Alleman's fish fry March 8.
- Faith In Action
  - Spiritual Reflection – May 11, St. Pius Church, 8:30 am registration, go until Noon. Discuss [Into the Breach](#) w/ Fr. Thieryoung Dcn Russ. Andy & David will add to Abstract. Andy will add to web site.
  - Good Friday Promotion – Active planning for St. Pius and working on St. Mary's & Sacred Heart. Get families/everyone to participate in the activities.
  - Helping Hands – incorporating work already doing and pulling together all the places and events we are helping. Working on a presentation to Supreme.
- The [Catholic Quad Cities Calendar](#) needs help being promoted. One way to let others know what is going on. Get information to Deacon Swim.
- Filipino event proposal Stan is working on and get in touch with David. March is not going to work but keep an eye on your email.

**Assn't Chaplain's Message:**

- Start preparing for Lent. The Easter we celebrate and the empty tomb we find, would not happen without Good Friday. We should also fill the Church on Good Friday.

- Deacon Russ Question Box addressed the question "*To Excommunicate or Not?*" full text in March Abstract.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bob's presented the Income Statement. Will check out State and Supreme expenses; Bob will ask Tarre. Jeremy made a motion to approve. Louie second. Motion approved.

**Financial Secretary's Report:** None

**Reports of Service Program Committees:**

**Church Director:** Jim Weiland/Chuck Gibbs

- Adoration – 11-12 pm Sundays, going well.
- Coffee & Conversation – St. Pius, Feb 3, another great turnout! Mar 3 cancelled or in Farrell Hall. Sacred Heart Feb 17 – next Mar 17. Need to talk with them about turning in receipts.

**Community Director:** Louie Alongi

- Midwest Food Bank –next Feb 26, Tuesday, 9 -11 am QCCA Expo Center.
- Coats for Kids – Tarre ordered more. SKIP didn't get them yet and looking forward to receiving them. When Tarre gets them, Louie is willing to take to SKIP.
- Italian Dinner – April 6. Letters are going out at least a month prior to the event. Need KofC to schedule outside of the kitchen to sit at the door and seat people. Contact Louie for an 1 ½ shift.
- Spring Parish Blood Drive is April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Will be making calls.
- Helping with Confirmation class meal on April 25<sup>th</sup> for confirmands and sponsors.

**Family/Youth Directors:** Andy Olson/Tarre Kroft: John Deere Classic – Marshalls for Hole 17, Jul 11-14

**Life Director / Chaircouple:** Jack & Luann Swan. Jeremy

- Jeremy reported on March for Life in Wash DC – Jan 18, Jack & Luann and Jeremy went. All were encouraged, helped and further educated about the needs of others and the tragedy of abortion.
- We are doing another Novena for Life for Mother's Day.

**Chapter Meeting:** Will find out more details for the next council meeting.

**4<sup>th</sup> Degree Report:** The Feb 7 meeting went very well.

**Old Business:** Investment Fund has no new development

**New Business:**

- Chuck is working w/Jordan about a bags & waiting to hear back.
- Holding off on a second trivia night and can be put together pretty quick.
- Working on a liquor license and need to have approved with each event for insurance

**Field Agent Remarks:** Contact our Field Agent Jeff if you need to take advantage of what the KofC has to offer to support you and our fellow brother Knights and families.

**Sick & Distressed:**

- Ill: Dean Lackey, Jim Cecil, Dcn Frank Randazzo, Mary Green, Bev Casey, Dick Friedel, Katherine Huggins, Dr. Burnas, Margaret & Jessie Lopez, Sue Schaecher
- Passed: Everett Manning, Barb Requet. Ev's visitation & rosary which starts at 12:30 this Sunday. The funeral will be Monday at 10. 4th Degree arrive at least a half our early.

**Closing Prayer led by** Deacon Swim. Meeting adjourned for refreshments and fellowship.

Respectfully submitted, Andrew Olson, Sub-Recorder