Knights of Columbus Allouez Council 658, Rock Island, Illinois October 10, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Grand Knight Chuck Gibbs. A Decade of the Rosary was led by Deacon Swim and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. 21 Brother Knights in attendance.

Roll Call of Officers - (P-present, E-excused, A-absent, N-not present, x-not applicable)		P - Dist. Deputy P - Advocate	David Yordy Kevin Houser
P -Grand Knight	Chuck Gibbs	x - Lector	Vacant
P - Deputy G.K.	Rick Cervantes	P/A - Warden	James Britton/Dean Lackey
E - Chaplain	Msgr. Mark Merdian	P - Inside Guard	Lou Granato
P - Assn't Chaplain	Deacon Russ Swim	P - Outside Guard	Dave Sullivan
P - Chancellor	Jeremy Goffrier	P - 1yr Trustee	David Yordy
P - Recorder	Andy Olson	P - 2yr Trustee	Jim Wieland
P - Fin. Sectry	Tarre Kroft	P - 3yr Trustee	Louie Alongi
P - Treasurer	Bob VandeVoorde	A - Ins.Fld. Agnt.	Jeff Schaecher

Minutes: No minutes read or distributed.

Grand Knight's Report:

- Charitable Request Form is ready. Have some groups already wanting to fill out.
- Increased number of Coats for Kids boxes 8 boxes; 6 required. Louie Alongi & Mike Romano take smaller coats to Skip Along. Others will go to Children's Therapy Center. Greg Schneider made a motion to buy more, Tarre Kroft 2nd. Motion approved.

Membership:

- Drive at Sacred Heart & Saint Mary's Oct. 19 & 20.
- Major Degree at Leo Council on Oct. 27 at noon.
- 1st Degree will be held during our council meeting in December.
- Sacred Heart of Moline asked for as many brother Knights as possible from all four degrees to be part of their 100-year celebration. Mass is at 11 am Oct. 20; Honor Guard arrive ½ hour early.

Financial Secretary's Report: No report.

Treasurer's Report:

See passed out paper copy. Motion to approve made by Kendal Schwartz, 2nd by Rick Cervantes. Motion approved.

Chaplain's Report:

- Deceased Members Mass 9 am Nov. 9 at St. Mary's. Please bring widows & older Knights who need assistance.
- See the November Abstract for Deacon's Question Box.

Reports of Service Program Committees:

Church:

- Added and filled a 10 to 11 PM adoration hour in addition to our 11 to midnight adoration hour.
- Jim Wieland has cups and extra plastic wear for the taking for our events.
- 101 vocation raffle books sold. Drawing end of November, early December.
- Midwest Food Bank sign up is online on our KofC calendar & abstract.
- Trivia Night went well and looking to grow it.
- Bags tournament listed online on our KofC calendar and abstract. Double elimination. \$30 per team. Limit to first 50 teams. Boards will be dropped off on Nov. 9 at Farrell Hall. Need someone to help run tournament, two for concessions, and others for the check-in table, 50/50, bracket keepers to assign boards. Need someone to help load boards up on November 11.
- Blood Draw has 107 scheduled. Information online on our calendar on abstract. Please walk in if you do not already have an appointment.

Family: Octoberfest went very well. Looking to building it up next year as a family event. Need more manpower.

Pro-Life: Encourage participation in the pro-life activities.

4th Degree:

• Meeting held at Cellar. Had about 27.

- Busy September for Honor Guard with 7 or 8 activities including Columbus Day Mass on Oct. 6th.
- Suggest having Honor Guard at 4th Deceased Member Mass.

Chapter:

- Meeting at Spalding Center on the 6th. Four members of the Canton Council and will host next meeting. All are invited. Asked our council to host in February.
- The "Our Lady of Persecuted Christion" Icon was displayed during the meeting. Every Diocese has one throughout the U.S. Prayer cards & booklets are available to use for prayer services. Please ask your pastors to utilize them.
- Please support Deacon Joe Dockery-Jackson to build up support for the school in Africa.

District Deputy Remarks:

- Columbus Day awards & recognition is on the Oct. 13; see Oct. abstract for more details. Need RSVPs tonight.
- Need to get more members. If everyone got just one person it would be a tremendous increase. Encourage everyone to attend the Degrees, see calendars. Need to get the Council trifold into the hands of others. Don't just tell people what we do, but why we do it. Put your faith out there.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- Need people to fill a table of 10 for Jordan's Fall Gala on Nov. 16. A lot of different activities. Heavy appetizers.
- Rick Cervantes asked if we could have the meetings at 6:30 during the winter time.
- Our Council has a Facebook page.
- Public Square Rosary Crusade Oct. 12 at Noon in front of St. Pius.
- Tarre Kroft needs someone to help him out and take over in a year.
- We are receiving a large sum of money from the Estate of Betty Stange. Share your ideas on how to recognize her and her husband Donald.

Sick & Distressed:

• Dcn. Frank Randazzo, Jack Showalter, Sue Schaecher, Mary Green, Bev Casey, Margaret & Jessie Lopez, Jeff Barnes, Kathy Yordy, Norma Manning and Betty VanDevoorde.

Closing Prayer conducted by Assn't Chaplain Deacon Russ Swim. 50/50 drawing conducted. Meeting adjourned for refreshments and fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Olson, Recorder

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