

**Knights of Columbus**  
**Allouez Council 658, Rock Island, Illinois**  
**Minutes for April 8, 2021**

Meeting called to order at 7:06 PM by Grand Knight Chuck Gibbs. A decade of the rosary was led by Msgr. Merdian and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. 16 Brother Knights in attendance.

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

P - Grand Knight	Chuck Gibbs
E - Deputy G.K.	Rick Cervantes
P - Chaplain	Msgr. Mark Merdian
P - Assn't Chaplain	Deacon Russ Swim
A - Chancellor	Jeremy Goffrier
P - Recorder	Andy Olson
P - Fin. Sectry	Dick Hunt
E - Treasurer	Bob VandeVoorde

P - Dist. Deputy	David Yordy
P - Advocate	Kevin Houser
E - Lector	James Britton
E - Warden	Dave Sullivan
E - Inside Guard	Tom Lawrence
A - Outside Guard	Lou Granato
P - 1yr Trustee	David Yordy
P - 2yr Trustee	Jim Wieland
X Vacant - 3yr Trustee	Vacant
X - Ins.Fld. Agnt.	Paul Kehoe

**Minutes:** <http://kofc658.org/site/minutes/>

**1) Grand Knight Priorities:**

- Food Bank on Wednesday, April 21.
- Chuck still needs to work on the Police disbursement. Not sure about the Boy Scout side. May donate most to Cops for Christmas. Chuck would like to make this an annual event. Encourage Rick to add that to the budget.

**2) Chaplain's Report:**

- Memorial Day Field Mass at Calvary Cemetery with 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Honor Guard. May 31<sup>st</sup> at 9 AM. The Board of Directors is thrilled when we have our Masses. There will be no tent for people to sit under due to COVID.
- Please see the April abstract for Deacon's Question Box. Encourage us to ignore the media that does not have the understanding of the Catholic faith & rely on Catholic media like the National Catholic Register and EWTN.
- The May Holy Hour is up in the air and information as to whether we have it or not will be forth coming.

**3) Membership:** Have a couple events coming up for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Degrees. If you know of anyone interested, our meetings are open to anyone and will close the open meeting early to discuss budget matters. Dick reports a +one increase in membership. David Yordy shows five new members.

**4) Financial Secretary:**

- 57 members have not paid dues this year. Many have not paid for several years. 19 names were turned over to the proposer and determine if they will pay or wish not to continue. Those who are delinquent since 2020, we are asking them to only pay the per capita (\$13 per year). We have 14 to 16 who have died depending on when you make the cutoff.
- Budget was presented.
  - Past three digit raffle, around 20, have or will be paid out. By July 1<sup>st</sup> we will have determined what needs to be done.
  - Have many Night of Knights reservations in.

**5) Treasurer's Report:** Bob & Betty needs our prayers and will finish the year out. Will work out with Rick.

**6) Service Programs' Reports**

**Community:**

- Need someone to fill Lance Johnson's Holy Hour. Always looking for more.
- Drive By Fish Fry needs volunteers to help. See April Abstract for flyer. Already have some volunteers from Jordan.
- Blood Drive on April 14.

**7) Chapter Report:**

- Next meeting is April 17, 10 PM in McCarthy Hall. Final planning for Night of Knights is happening. Please wear your uniform. See previous abstract for more details. Approaching ~40.
- Exemplification is June 5
- 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting is April 15, Southern District will be attending and awards will be presented.

**4th Degree Report:** Thank you to David Yordy for his assistance in arranging dates and times for degrees. May 6<sup>th</sup>

**8) District Deputy Report:**

- To meet Star Council we need only need seven out of twelve new members. Fill out ten forms for programs.

9) **Old Business:** None

10) **New Business:** The Golf Outing is June 19. Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Pius & Father Harris' Church in Rapid City, St. Anthony's in Matherville. Confessions 2 pm & celebration at 3 pm.

11) **Sick or Distressed Brothers & Family:** See monthly Abstract. Please contact Andy to add and/or remove.

12) **Closing Prayer** by Deacon Swim

13) **Meeting adjourned** for refreshments and fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Andrew Olson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The first name "Andrew" is written with a large, sweeping capital 'A' and the last name "Olson" follows in a similar cursive script.

Andrew Olson, Recorder