

Knights of Columbus
Allouez Council 658, Rock Island, Illinois
Minutes for April 13, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM by Chancellor James Britton. 15 Brother Knights in attendance.

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

E - Grand Knight	Rick Cervantes
E - Deputy G.K.	Dave Sullivan
X - Chaplain	Vacant
P- Assn't Chaplain	Deacon Russ Swim
P- Chancellor	James Britton
P- Recorder	Kevin Barton
P - Fin. Secretary	Dick Hunt
P- Treasurer	Chuck Gibbs

P - Dist. Deputy	David Yordy
P - Advocate	Kevin Houser
X - Lector	Vacant
P - Warden	John Doak
A - Inside Guard	John Perez
A - Outside Guard	Jeff Schaecher
A - 1yr Trustee	William Weston
X - 2yr Trustee	
X- 3yr Trustee	
X - Ins.Fld. Agnt.	Paul Kehoe

1) **Opening prayer:** Deacon Russ led with an Our Father and blessing.

2) **Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited after the opening prayer.

3) **Grand Knight's message:** See in Council Abstract.

4) **Deacon's remarks:** See Deacon's Question Box in Council Abstract. Reminder about the Holy Hour in May 11th at 5pm.

5) **Financial Secretary:** Balance sheet displayed on the large screen. New item on the balance sheet for undeposited funds. End of March Lance sent a check to Dick for a late dinner donation and due payments coming in late. Income statement of unpaid dues and transfers and withdrawals budget of 6000 taken in 5500 so far Dick does not expect much more than that. Lance paid 130 for fish that came off his dues. 3609 total in fish fry receipts 3098 total receipts paid out \$2846.43 for Fish, Mac & Cheese, and Tater Tots from Performance Food Group, \$150 for pizza from Happy Joe's \$25.11 for lemons and butter from HyVee \$76.13 for City and State Liquor Licenses. \$25 for Keep Christ in Christmas poster winner, \$525 for the Free Throw Contest winners, \$4,350 for the Pro-Life agencies and Rachel's Vineyard donations, \$288.95 for postage mostly for Bulk Mail. Motion to accept financial report made by Dave Yordy and 2nd by Greg Schneider.

6) **Membership report:**

*Withdrawal- Matthew Smallwood, and Stephen Tollenaer

* Retention Committee- 5 members for Affiliate Member transfer- 4 years past due

4 members that have not paid 2022 and 2023 dues

15 members that have not paid 2023 dues

7) **Program Reports:**

Faith- Jim W.- Adoration is going well. Holy hour in May. Jim said his Wife was willing to cook after Holy hour.

Looking to see if anyone wants to go to Nick Conner ordination ceremony on May 20th to become a Deacon.

Family- Dave Y.- Handed out all the awards to the kids for the free throw contest. Went very well. 4 out of the 12 went to state in the free throw contest. 2 out of the 4 , all 4 from Jordan, came in second place and are alternates if someone drops out.

Community-

Blood Drive- April 10th- Louie- 96 people donated for the blood drive. A few people who could not make it can still go to the blood center to count for the blood drive until the end of next week. Louie wants to send it to the national magazine. One council bragged about having 30 people come to theirs.

Italian Dinner- April 22nd- Louie- Louie gave advance money for the Italian dinner to Dick. Louie needs 8 people to serve the meals and get drinks for people. Don't have to give change or mess with money. All tickets for the Italian dinner are now 20 dollars. It is advertised in the church bulletin and on Facebook. Should have a good turnout.

Life- Jack was not present- Dave Yordy- Would like us to get the banner out for pro-life and go over the overpass. Leo council has done it recently and got a lot of reactions good and bad. There are also petitions online to sign wich only takes a few minutes. Everything you do makes a difference.

8) **Old Business:**

* Abstracts/ Newsletter- Finalize committee work and proposal. Not very many members here at the meeting today so

keeping it brief. Trying to get everyone that has an email the online version of the Abstract to as many members as possible to save money. 4th degree members we need to keep sending the info to as well as the 3 digit raffle players. Instead of sending out 220 copies from Steckers graphics we will be sending out 55 copies. Drops it down to 35 in postage and altogether around 40 or 50 dollars total cost versus 288 a month sending out the old way. The vast majority of Knights have an email now and Dick has them in a central database now. Knights we have email addresses for we will send out the online version.

* Holy Thursday Eucharist Adoration- St. Pius and Sacred Heart- April 6th had 9 people at Sacred Heart and 8 here at St. Pius. So it went pretty well. Would like to have more Knights next year. Had general participation as well. Good comments for the people that were in and out and appreciated that the Knights were there. The swords also add to the presence of the Knights participation. It was noticed that Father Baker was the only Priest that showed up at both Churches. Thinking maybe we should promote it a little more.

9) New Business:

* Jordan School Annual Fundraiser donation request (We donated 2500 last year) Jordan will hold the fundraiser at the Stern Center this year and that is not going to cost Jordan much this year. Motion to approve donating 2500 again this year was made by Dick Hunt and Seconded by Louie Alongi. Motion was approved.

* Centralized Database with mailing and email addresses. Dick separated whether people on the list was from Allouez council or affiliated with us in any way. 258 active members. 208 we have email addresses for. Every so often Dick will update the central base. Kevin Barton will update Dick as well from any non members requesting a copy of the Abstract. There is a lookup function in the database that we can find out info on all the members. Parish affiliation is also included on the member info.

* Seminarian support checks- We are still supporting the 5 seminarians.

* Columbian Award- Form 10784 for programs, events and activities- Questions? To get the Columbia award we need to submit to the supreme council events like the fish fry, and pro-life dinner and such. The Grand Knight sends in info on how many people were involved in what event. Dave said that the form is really easy to fill out and send in. If not sure what the numbers were, give an estimated number. It is all electronic. Step by step to get to the Comlumbian award form. We have 21 events that we have done as a council. Since last July to June. We can turn these in.

* Birdies for Charities- Who will take over for Dean Lackey? Rick Cervantes will take over for Dean Lackey. Dick Hunt will send out an email with a link for anyone that wants to donate to it online or who wants to print a form out and send back with a donation. Dick will also be mailing forms out. In the next few weeks.

* Avenue of Flags- 1st installation in 2023 is Memorial Day- We need more volunteers. May 26th is the put the flags up day. That is the Friday before Memorial Day and we take them down the following Tuesday.

10) Fourth Degree/ Honor Guard-

* **Thank you!!!** We had 12 of our 20 current Honor Guard members participate in one or more of the Honor Guard activities over the St. Patrick's Day weekend. Dick is very appreciative of all the Honor Guard participation. Greg Schneider brought up how many people told him how nice it was for the Honor Guard to participate at the Mass in Moline on St. Pats with the Bishop.

* Please consider participating in the Annual Field Mass on Memorial Day at Calvary Mausoleum.

Dave will not be here this year to take care of the 17th hole at the John Deere Classic. The Thursday and Friday in the tournament are the days to volunteer to represent the Allouez Council. If Dave doesn't get a positive response he will get with the John Deere Classic people to withdraw from the tournament. Chuck Gibbs said he will take the lead on this.

11) District Deputy: Dave Yordy- Dave is asking for at least one or two people to go to the new exemplification program for the third degree. Other councils are sending reps to go. We still have a handful of members that are first degree that could go to the third degree. After Sunday Mass.

12) Good of the order- Dick has one item. Two people in our council became Lifetime Honorary Members. Dick presented James Mack his certificate tonight at the meeting and the other honorary member was Yves Fontaine who was not present.

13) Prayers for members-

Elizabeth Brueggen	Jim Casey	Bev Casey	Jim Cecil
Achiel Dupont	Gene Fowler	Jerry Fowler	Jim Fobert
Joseph Lazio	Norma Manning	Deacon Paul Martin	
Tina Olson	Red Pearson	Mary Jo Pulford	Sue Schaecher
Jerry Schroeder	Jack Showalter	Bob Spalding	Richard Tipton
Jim Wells	Betty VanDeVoorde		

13) Closing Prayer- For the continuing protection against the clubs in our schools that go against our beliefs like the Satan Club that was recently held in Moline we said a prayer to St. Michael.

14) Adjournment-

50/50 won by James Mack.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin A Barton

Kevin Barton, Recorder