**Knights of Columbus**

**Allouez Council 658, Rock Island, Illinois**

**Minutes for May 9, 2024**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Grand Knight David Sulivan. Opening prayer was led by Deacon Swim and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. 14 Brother Knights in attendance.

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

P -Grand Knight David Sulivan

E - Deputy G.K. John Doak

E - Chaplain Fr. Witold

P - Assn’t Chaplain Deacon Russ Swim

- Chancellor Vacant

E - Recorder Kevin Barton

P - Fin. Sectry Dick Hunt

E - Treasurer Chuck GibbsP - Dist. Deputy Rick Cervantes

P - Advocate Kevin Houser

- Lector Vacant

E - Warden John Perez

A - Inside Guard Jeff Schecher

E - Outside Guard Scott Perez

P - 1yr Trustee Rick Cervantez

- 2yr Trustee Vacant

E - 3yr Trustee William Westen

E - Ins.Fld. Agnt.

**Minutes:** No minutes distributed.

1. **Grand Knight**

* It has been a pleasure. Thank you for your support, especially Dick Hunt & Rick Cervantes.
* 1074 Forms; have filled out 25 and have a bunch more; we have been busy.
* Looking forward to next year.

1. **Asst. Chaplain’s Message**

* Thank you to all who attended the Holy Hour and focusing on your love for Jesus. Encourage to twist brother Knight arms night. Next one in October with Fr. Witold.
* Take a chance to visit Jesus in the Traveling Monstrance.
* Dewey Raims (SP?) was a much more literal translation. Give us this day our daily bread. In D.R. it says, “Give us this day our super-stantial bread.”
* See Abstract for Deacon’s Question Box.

1. **Officers’ Reports**

**Treasurer–**

* Assets are going up and may move more back into checking.
* Square account is working out well for us; used for the Italian Dinner. The KofC paid the fees and did not ask Italians to contribute because it was our council’s choice and not theirs to use Square. Italians and individuals appreciate this.
* Oracle NetSuite does a great job of helping look at income and expenses.

**Advocate –** Welcome Brian to the Adoration team.

1. **Membership:** Have a few in arrears and need to make contact. In decent shape in comparison to other years.
2. **Service Programs’ Reports**

**Faith** **Director:** Waiting for the raffle tickets. Will have a report next month.

**Community** **Director:** May 22 for Midwest Food Pickup.

**Family/Youth** **Director:** No report.

1. **District Deputy Report**
   * Rick has sold some extra wine and will go into the general fund.
   * Birdies for Charites has been sent in. Rick has information for hard copy and online donation options. Donations were down last year.
   * May 17-19 State Convention. Dave & Rick going.
   * Council is close to Star Council, but the safe environment training needs to be done for Columbian. Need two meetings for members (10 each?) looking at insurance video.
   * 300 carnations have been purchased to pass out. Need two volunteers for each Mass. Please wear KofC apparel.
   * June 30 4th Degree Exemplification 11 am Mass Immaculate in Galesburg. 1:30 actual exemplification.
   * District meeting in June. Have Zoom meeting with State in May to prepare.
2. **New Business** –
   * Election of officers: Many returning officers. Need treasurer with intention of becoming Financial Secretary. Lou Granato will fill in as Inside Guard. Slate of Officers will be voted on next month.
   * Avenue of Flags for Memorial Day weekend. Need more volunteers. Friday, May 24th any time before dusk. Tuesday take down
   * Annual Memorial Field Day Mass May 27 at Calvary Cemetery at 10.
   * June Respect Life Pancake Breakfast – Can’t have June 23 because of rummage sale and VBS. June 30 is 4th Degree Exemplification. June 16 is Father’s Day and start collecting rummage sale. Looking at July 7th or 14th; checking with Katherine Moen’s.
   * 12 to 2 May 18, Pro-Life banner on the bridge with Leo Council.
   * Corpus Christi Procession June 2nd looking for Knights to carry canopy. Any Knights who are just wearing KofC apparel.
3. **4th Degree Report**
   * Confirmation Masses; Bishop really recognizes the Honor Guard and often requests. St. Malachy, Geneseo May 8 at 5:30. St. Pius May 15 at 5:30.
   * Waiting on verifying if we will attend Eucharistic Adoration for the Traveling Monstrance. 6 to 8:30.
   * St. Ann May 30
   * June 3 St. Mary, Moline
   * June 6 St. Mary, RI
   * 4th of July Mass
4. **Sick or Distressed Brothers & Family:**
   * Father Mirabelle is not doing well. Msgr. Showalter is back home and doing well.
5. **50/50 won by Brian Eckert.**
6. **Closing Prayer** by Deacon Swim.
7. **Meeting adjourned** for refreshments and fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew Olson, Substitute Recorder