The Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

The roll of officers was called and noted as follows (P – Present; A – Absent):

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| Chaplain (Father Schultz) | A | Financial Secretary (Dave Blaser) | P | Inside Guard (Derek Price) | P |
| Grand Knight (Kurt Gibson) | P | Treasurer (Bryan Gomolchak) | P | Outside Guard (Darren Carr) | A |
| Deputy Grand Knight (Phil Olinger) | P | Lecturer |  | Trustee (Guy DiCiaula) | A |
| Chancellor (Shawn Long) | P | Advocate (Rich Staley) | P | Trustee (John Fruin) | P |
| Recorder (Brock Selkow) | P | Warden (Jake Newman) | P | Trustee (Tony McCauley) | P |

The Opening Prayer was “Our Father.”

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all members present.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were sent via email and posted on the council website.

1st Rich Thomas

2nd Mike Pool

Motion Approved

**Chaplain Report:**

* Jeff Lopez reported:
  + Thank you to all the volunteers for the Parish Picnic.
  + The Picnic had about 450 guests.
  + He thought the picnic worked well.

**Grand Knight Report:**

* Kurt Gibson reported:
  + We have lots of events planned
  + Thank you all for your support of the Parish Picnic.
  + The Golf Committee has met and wrapped up all loose ends.
    - We will be planning on Aug 2025 at Ironwood GC.
    - They have asked that we move the event to Thursday.
  + Thank you for being patient with new officers.
  + The best groups have common traits that include: Policing themselves, not worrying about who is in charge, and fostering and encouraging interaction within the group.
  + If for any reason you need to contact Kurt Gibson please use his cell phone (309) 530-0915.

**Treasurer Report:**

Knights of Columbus-Fr. Joseph Boylan, Jr. Council #15175 Sep-2024

Beginning Balance $ 27,458.42

Cash Receipts

Council Dues $ -

Special - Vocations Raffle $ 300.00

Golf Outing $ 8,140.00

Tootsie Roll ID Drive $ 2,591.00

Member Dues $ -

Voided Check $ 68.00

Total $11,099.00

Cash Disbursements

Supreme-Catholic Advertising $ -

Golf Outing $ 417.50

Membership $ -

Miscellaneous $ 467.55

Altar Server Recognition Event $ -

Community

Council Activities $ -

Charitable Contributions $ 250.00

Total $1,135.05

Balance $ 37,422.37

Special Funds-Vocation Raffle $ 120.00

ID Drive $ 2,591.00

Special Funds-HHWB $ -

$ -

Available Balance $ 34,711.37

Bills Submitted Warrant # Amount

John Fruin Reimbursement - Vocations Raffle Printing and Postage 2514 $297.38

SVDP Turkey Trot Sponsorship 2515 $250.00

Terry Kuper reimbursement Gas Grill conversion 2516 $34.12

Golf Outing Lunch Order from Avantis 2517 $417.50

Reimbursement to Rich Thomas for Stamps 2518 $68.00

Reimbursement to Rich Thomas for Knights Meeting Food 2519 $62.04

Voided Check 2520 $0.00

Reimbursement to Kurt Gibson for Envelopes 2521 $6.01

Total $1,135.05

1st Joe Klingler

2nd Tim Abel

Motion Approved

**Financial Secretary Report:**

Financial Secretary Report: October 2024

* October Member Report
  + 120 Members (73 Associate / 41 Insurance / 6 Inactive)
  + 114 Active Members
  + Membership breakdown:
    - 75 active members with 3rd degree
    - 22 active members with 4th degree
    - 17 active members without 2nd, 3rd, or 4th degree
  + Included in membership totals:
    - 5 Honorary members
    - 12 Honorary Life
    - 1 Exempt member
* October Birthdays:

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| --- | --- |
| Terry Kuper | 10/1 |
| Philip Wipfier | 10/7 |
| Patrick Deneen | 10/13 |
| Steve Rudin | 10/13 |
| Rich Thomas | 10/16 |
| Michael Monalbano | 10/19 |
| Darren Carr | 10/27 |
| Robert Scott | 10/27 |
| Richard Kultgen | 10/31 |
| David Turnis | 10/31 |

**The Trustees Report:**

* Tony McCauley- No Report
* John Fruin- No Report

**The Chancellors Report:**

* Shawn Long- No Report

**Deputy Grand Knight Report**

* Phil Olinger reported on upcoming events:
  + Roadside Cleanup Oct 8th 5-6pm
  + ID Drive (Shnucks) Fri/Sat/Sun 10am-6pm- Sign up online.
  + Tentative Council Program (Tuesday) October 15th
  + Steak Dinner Ticket Sales (After Masses) Sat/Sun October 19 & 20 as well as October 26th and 27th- Sign up online
  + October 27th (Sunday) Trunk or Treat assistance
  + Steak Dinner Nov 2nd (Saturday) 5:15-7:15 pm in Shamrock Hall
  + Nov 9th (Saturday) Coat Drive Begins
  + Nov 8th (Friday) Mass for the Deceased KofC members 5-6pm
  + Nov 13th (Wednesday) Dinner with the Seminarians; *after further discussion, date moved to October 30th; contact Jeff Lopez if interested*
  + Nov 16th (Saturday) Church grounds clean up 8-11 am - Nov 23rd (Saturday) being held as backup date if weather will not permit clean up on the 16th.
  + Dec 2nd (Monday) Nativity set up 4pm
  + Dec 8th (Sunday) Pancake breakfast (After Masses) - We have secured the actor playing St. Nicholas for this year.
* Phil Olinger reported on Finance Meeting and Budget:
  + A new budget needs to be created to better reflect what we are spending or giving throughout the year.
  + The Finance Committee will continue to meet to create a new, more intuitive budget.
  + The council’s finances are in great shape, however we need to be able to better understand where we are spending and giving.

**Unfinished Business:**

* Jeff Lopez reported on the ID Drive:
  + The main takeaway from our current forecasting of money raised is that the more shifts we cover, the more money we can raise.
  + Compared to 2023 we covered 2 more shifts at McDonalds and made $98 more.
  + 6 Shifts weren’t covered at Church, and we also missed Shifts at Avantis.
  + We have raised $2,391 thus far which is $395 short of our 2023 numbers at this time.
  + Please sign up to cover a shift via Sign up Genius.
* John Fruin reported on the Vocation Raffle:
  + 65 books have been returned (as of October 18), as compared to 107 this time last year.
  + Books are due in Nov, with the drawing in December.
  + [jcfruin@frontier.com](mailto:jcfruin@frontier.com) Cell (309) 242-6062
* Kurt Gibson reported on the Blue Mass held by the Epiphany KofC council:
  + Blue mass is completed.
  + 48 people participated.
  + $147.50 was requested by the council to help cover costs. The council already approved up to $250 to help. A formal request will be submitted to our council and will be paid.
    - Motion to approve the $147.50 was made

1st Jeff Lopez

2nd Brian Gomolchak

Motion Approved

* Brock Selkow and Mike Pool reported on the upcoming Steak Dinner:
  + Nov 2nd (Saturday) 5:15-7:15 pm in Shamrock Hall.
  + Menu includes 12oz NY Strip Steak, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Mixed Salad, Rolls, Drinks, and Desert.
  + Ticket Price is $20
  + Brock has reached out to the youth group to help as waiter and Lindsey Adams for live music.
  + We will need volunteers to help sell tickets after masses as well as volunteers day of the event.
  + A bulletin announcement as well as an announcement at Mass to publicize the event will be made in the coming weeks.

**New Business:**

* Phil Olinger reported on the Msgr. Ketcham Golf Outing:
  + We made almost $9,000 this year. Over $600 was from the putting game alone.
  + The awarded money breakdown is as follows: $1,000 to the Monsignor Ketchum Scholarship, $1,000 to Central Catholic HS Scholarship, $2,000 to Saint Vincent DePaul Society, $2,000 to The Miracle League, $800 to the Corpus Christi Golf Team. We will be tithing $982.48 to the church.

1st Phil Olinger

2nd Buddy Wallace

Motion Approved

* Jim Stangel reported on the Coat Drive:
  + 2023 we collected over 600 coats.
  + 2024 coat drive will be over 4 weeks in total.
  + The coat drive starts Nov 9th (Saturday) and ends Dec 6th (Friday).
  + Please sign up to volunteer using the Signup Genius link on the council’s website.
  + Volunteers report to the church by 6pm to take coats out of donation bins, hang up using metal hangers, and hang up in the lobby of Shamrock Hall.
* Jeff Lopez reported on Dinner with the Seminarians:
  + Three dates were proposed to the seminarians: Oct 27th, Nov 3rd, and Nov 10th (All Sundays).
  + They were not able to confirm any of these dates, and asked that it be moved into the work week.
  + Jeff Lopez will be reaching out again to see if another date is better.
  + As noted earlier in these minutes, October 30th has been selected as the date for this event.
* Joe Klingler reported some recent deaths involving council members:
  + Jake DiCiaula, son of Brother Knight Guy DiCiaula has passed away. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.
  + Brother Knight Charles Burns has passed away. Please keep his family in your prayers.

**Field Agent Report:**

* No Report

**Good of the Order:**

* The Christmas donation of $500 each for the three priests was discussed, and a motion was made to continue what has been a yearly ‘tradition’ of the council as a measure of appreciation for the work of the priests at the parish.

1st Jeff Lopez

2nd Jake Newman

Motion Approved.

**Prayer Requests:**

* Shawn Long requested prayer for his father and Brother Knight Mike Long who is recovering from total shoulder replacement surgery. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.
* Tony McCauley requested prayer for nephew Cameron Larimore who has had a large cancerous mass removed. Please him and his family in your prayers.

**Motion to Adjourn:**

1st Rich Staley

2nd Joe Klingler

Motion Approved.

Closing Prayer including the intentions mentioned above under ‘prayer requests’.

Meeting called to close at 8:35pm.