

# Knights of Columbus

In Service to One, In Service to All

Rev. Robert F. Houlihan, S.J., Council 10937 Business Meeting – <u>8 Aug 2015</u>

#### I. General

- The Council was called to order at **8:03 AM** by Grand Knight, Gary Mayfield.
- Opening Prayer was offered by Chris Kennedy.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- The role of officers was called and noted as follows (P = Present; A = Absence; E = excused)

Title	Status	Title	Status	Title	Status
Chaplain	Е	Financial Secretary	P	Inside Guard	A
Grand Knight	P	Treasurer	P	Outside Guard	P
Dep. Grand Knight	Е	Lecturer	P	Trustee 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Е
Chancellor	P	Advocate	P	Trustee 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	Е
Recorder	P	Warden	P	Trustee 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	P

 The July 2015 business meeting minutes were approved unanimously as read and published.

## II. Applications for Approval – Dennis Thumann

- None, currently no new form 100s.
  - Nevertheless, there is one transfer possibility, a Mr. Mike Tschetter, currently a Knight at St. Thomas More parish.
  - Chris Kennedy mentioned that he is working on a couple of possible candidates.

#### III. Grand Knight Report - Gary Mayfield

- Correspondence:
  - KOC brochure on our history, culture, and heritage (See Attachment 3).
- Other
  - Next council meeting is scheduled for 12 September.
  - The Installation of Officers will take place on 8 August.
  - Still looking for someone to either take over membership, or at least provide Roger and Brennan with help and assistance.
  - Attendance at the monthly planning meeting has gone up.
    - Gary attributed this to the fact that the Lady Knights are now holding their monthly meetings at the same day, time, and place as our planning meetings.
  - Gary recommended that we obtain KOC plastic/magnetic nametags.
    - o Many of us do not wear our council shirts at church, consequently then folks do not know who or what we are.
    - o The name tags will be worn by council members at various council events.
    - They will be used as a vehicle to promote the council and gain prospective candidates.
    - o Council members will have to buy, yet council will pick-up part of the cost.
- Pennies from Heaven.
- Knight of the Month Father Mike Buckley.

• Family of the Month – Joe Regnery and family.

## IV. Chaplain's Report - Father Mike

None

## V. Treasurer's Report – Dennis Cullen (See Attachment 1)

Report handed out at meeting.

Bank Balance - \$20, 424.59 Available Funds as of July - \$13,852.94

## VI. Financial Secretary's Report – Dennis Thumann (See Attachment 2)

Report handed out at meeting

Receipts - \$4,600 Expenses - \$2,883.90 Bank Balance - \$20, 424.59

- It matches the Treasurer's report.
- \$4,200 plus from peach sales.
- Currently the number of peaches sold has put us in the black.

## VII. Chancellor's Update - Tim Pimmel

- Tim discussed an article from the August 2015 edition of *Columbia* magazine.
  - o Entitled "My Sons the Seminarians
  - A KOC father, Brendan Glasgow, shares his insights and thoughts about how families, like his, can foster, nurture, and grow religious vocations.
  - o Can be found in the "Fathers for Good" section, page 7.
  - o Tim read a few excerpts from the article, and encouraged all to give it a good read.
- Currently we do not have any new seminarians.
  - Chris Kennedy mentioned that sometime soon, John Lopez, Colorado Vocations Chairman, will be distributing a list of possible seminarians.
  - o So there the chances are good for the council to get two or three.
- Prayer for vocations was read by Tim.

## VIII. Committee Reports – William Hensen, given by Chris Kennedy

## a. Membership - Roger Guidici/Brennan Mendus

- Given by Roger Guidici.
- No new applications for 1st Degree.
- Has updated council brochure.
- Yet during events and after mass Roger has been out working the crowd, and talking to prospective candidates.
  - o He is hoping the wives will encourage their husbands to join.
- Question was posed to Andrew Thumann, recent graduate, concerning High School graduates.
  - o Could this be a possible area for the recruiting of prospective candidates, the goal being to bring in younger folks?
  - Are there councils serving student chapters at various Colorado universities and colleges?
  - o Possible initiative to be take-up and addressed by the State Youth coordinator.
- More discussion on the use of nametags as an advertising and recruiting vehicle.

#### b. Church Director Report – Jay Calvarese

- Donuts ongoing.
- Beer'n Brats is scheduled for 15 August.
  - o Help is needed for setup and cleanup.
  - Food amount and cost is TBD.

## c. Community Report - Ford Fay/Bob Luckner/Dan Doran

- Given by Chris Kennedy.
- Tootsie Rolls Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities
  - This will be done simultaneously at two King Soopers, University and Highlands Ranch Pkwy, and Wildcat and McArthur Ranch.
    - Friday 25 September, 4 8pm
    - Saturday 26 September, 8am 12 noon
    - Sunday 27 September, 8am 12 noon
    - Friday 9 October, 4 8pm
    - Saturday 10 Oct, 8am 12 noon
  - o As event gets closer, Ford will send out a signup sheet.
  - O Discussion concerning the buying of additional tootsie rolls.
    - Council still has a sizeable amount left over from last year.
    - Therefore, the council may not need to buy any for this year's event.
  - o Dennis Thumann stressed that if replacement vests are needed for this years event they need to be ordered now.
  - Also, per the July planning meeting, the council is looking into the possibility of doing this activity in 2016 at the ARC Stores.
- Highway Cleanup is scheduled for the fall, group will leave Pax Christi at 9:30am.

#### d. Council Activity Report - Nereus Lobo/Paul Sciera

- Given by Nereus Lobo.
- Working on a Family Social in the Great Hall, which would be a meet-and-great for Father Marek.
  - o Father is interested in doing something like that.
  - o Looking at the September time frame.
  - o Nereus will work with Father Marek to firm up a day and time.
- Working at the Denver Rescue mission soup kitchen is scheduled for 19 September.
- Overview given concerning the yearly peach fund raising initiative.
  - o Help is still needed after mass for selling of the peaches.
  - Gary Mayfield, Joe Regnery, and Ron Gerber are planning on picking them up on 14 August.
  - $\circ$  Traditional peach distribution and "on-the-spot" additional sales will take place the weekend of 15 16 August.
    - Roger and Gary will not be at the church until later Sunday afternoon
    - Joe Regnery has volunteered to work it.
    - Roger is planning on giving Joe some OJT and a tutorial on past "lesson's learned."
- Dennis Thumann discussed the "Football Frenzy" fundraising initiative.
  - Now called the "Football Sweepstakes."
  - Activity and format has been simplified.
  - o Participant can now win with either the best or worst score.
  - o The cost, however, is still ten dollars per ticket.
  - o 20% of sales goes to the council.

#### e. Family Report - Shawn Conley

- Given by Chris Kennedy.
- Council has scheduled a Soft Ball and Kickball event for 16 August.
  - o This would take place at Rock Canyon Middle School fields.
  - o Athletic gear is needed.
- A spaghetti dinner is scheduled for 10 October.
- US Air Force Academy football game, scheduled for 24 October, Air Force vs. Fresno State.
- Also working on a collaborative effort with the parish youth group for possible hiking event, more to follow.

## f. Right to Life report - Mike McGinnis

- 40 Days for Life.
  - o Scheduled for September October.
- Ron Gerber's "A Rose for Motherhood" initiative.
  - o Baptisms will now be done during mass.
  - o Roses given to mothers after the baptism ceremony.
  - o Help is needed concerning the handing out the roses and the reading of the poem.
  - o There were two baptisms for the months of July to early August.
- Dave Petteys discussed the KOC SOS event (see Attachment 4 of the July 15 minutes).
  - o It took place on 22 July at the Queen of Peace parish council hall in Aurora.
  - o Brad Maddock from St Thomas More, one of the event coordinators and speakers, stressed that as members of the KOC organization.
    - We are a giant sleeping army.
    - We should be leading the charge on this issue.
    - We should seriously consider dedicating one-hour a month to praying about this issue.
      - To include praying in front of one of the Planned Parenthood centers.
      - Pray does equate to miracles happening, when women opt out of having an abortion children are saved.

#### g. Youth Report – Tim Pimmel/Ben Stancati

- Given by Tim Pimmel.
- Checks for the council/KOC college scholarship recipients have been mailed out.
  - Andrew Thurmann thanked the council for the scholarship money, it was greatly appreciated, and said he was blessed to have us as brothers.
- Soccer Challenge is scheduled for 25 October.
  - o Location will be the fields at Rock Canyon Middle School.
  - o Looking to make this a District event.
  - o Roger mentioned that individual councils can participate as part of ours if they do not have one organized.
- Relay for Life, was held 24 25 July at Shea stadium.
  - o Update given by Dennis Thumann.
  - o A major success, over 100 participated.
  - o The Pax Christi church team raised \$20,535 for the American Cancer Society.
  - o The Worthy Grand Knight's wife, Terri Mayfield, raised \$12,500 on her own, well done.
  - Our council did a fabulous job cooking hotdogs and hamburgers for the participants, we were a bit hit.

• Basket Ball Free Throw competition, currently working with other councils on a collaborative approach to the event.

#### h. Newsletter - Chris Kennedy

- No report.
- Looking for someone to run and manage it.
- The worthy Grand Knight will continue to send in the agenda list as a newsletter item.

## IX. Advocate's Report – Dave Petteys

- No report
- The SOS event was once again mentioned and discussed.
  - o Another such event will be held on the 26 August, location is TBD.
  - Opportunity to pray as a family, and provides an opportunity for us as Knights and fathers to exercise our leadership roles.

## X. Auditors and Trustees – Chris Kennedy/Paul Sciera/Joe Musso

- Given by Chris Kennedy
- Audit took place on 8/8/15, and the council is in good standing.
- Nothing else to report.

#### XI. Lecturer - Alan Brown/Ben Stancati

The Rev. Robert F. Houlihan S.J. Educator Series

• This month's lecture was given by Ben Stancati, and the discussion centered on the life of three amazing priests: Peter Claver; Basil Maturin; and Titus Brandsma. In an earlier session the discussion centered on the Gospel of John and the theme of extraordinary expressions of love, giving, and self-sacrifice as demonstrated by Father Maximillian Kolbe. It was decided to continue down that theme path in this month's lecture material.

St. Peter Claver, S.J. was a Jesuit priest from Spain, and lived from 1591 to 1654. He did missionary work in the Columbian colony, working with African slaves who had been captured to work the mines. Appalled by the squalled conditions on the slave ships he decided to try and provide some form of both spiritual and physical comfort to as many as he possibly could. During his time as a Jesuit missionary in Columbia he baptized over 300,000 African slaves, and tireless worked to ensure that as Christians, they received their legal rights.

Father Basil W. Maturin, 1887 to 1915, was born in Ireland. He was a former Anglican priest who converted to Catholicism, and was ordained in 1898. Father Basil was a passenger on the ill-fated *SS Lusitania*, which left New York harbor on 1 May 1915. Six days later it was just off the Irish coast when it was struck by a single torpedo, sinking in less than 18 minutes. In an act of supreme self-sacrifice Father Basil gave up his spot in the lifeboat to a small child. Over 1100 passengers perished, including Father Basil.

Father Titus Brandsma, 1881 to 1942, was a native of the Netherlands. While ill health prevented him from becoming a Franciscan, he was eventually ordained a Carmelite priest in 1905. During his time as a priest he had been a university president and spiritual advisor to 30 catholic newspapers. Starting in 1935 he began writing in opposition to Nazi Germany's anti-Jewish marriage laws. The also argued that no Catholic publication could call themselves such if they endorsed through publication, Nazi propaganda. Labeled by the Gestapo as "the dangerous little friar," his anti-Nazi activism got him arrested in 1942, and was sent to Dachau concentration camp. While at Dachau he was subjected to forced labor

and was used for medical experiments. On 26 July 1942, he was killed by lethal injection. Father Titus was beatified by St. Pope John Paul II on 3 November 1985.

In reflection, while none of the three priests were Knights, their extraordinary behavior and actions are emblematic of everything the Knights stand for. In addition, it can be argued that through real-life stories such as these, we as Knights grow in our spiritual journey and walk with the Lord. Amen.

#### XII. Unfinished Business -

- Once again, Program Directors need to get bulletin announcements into the church secretary, Joann Lafond, by 10am Monday.
- The council cloud for viewing of pictures.
  - o Open <u>skydrive.com</u>
  - o Under the Microsoft Account, type council10937@outlook.com
  - Type Fratern1ty# in the password box (note: this is case sensitive so "F" and only "F" must be in caps
  - o Left mouse click on "sign-in"
  - Left mouse click on "pictures"
- No other unfinished business.

#### **XIII. New Business**

• None.

## XIV. 4th Degree Report - Dave Petteys

- There will be mass for Father Michael McGivney on 18 August in Colorado Springs.
  - o It will mark the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his passing.
- Roger mentioned that there is a Fourth Degree exemplification scheduled for 3 October, and will take place downtown Denver.
- Quick meeting to follow the council meeting.

#### XV. Field Agent Report – David Cary

- Dave also mentioned the mass for Father McGivney, 14 August will mark the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his passing.
  - He started an amazing organization that continues to do a lot, take pride in that fact.
- Discussed that his philosophical approach to the insurance business is governed by his wanting to help.
  - Based on personal experiences, geared towards care and compassion and wanting to help.
  - He is not here to do a sales job trying to sell a brother Knight something they do not need or want.
  - o Also, for more information on how things work, there is brochure out from Supreme entitled "Why We Offer Insurance" (See Attachment 3).
- Discussed that there has been some changes to the Form 100's KOC annuity program.
  - o KOC does not offer the 100 dollar annuity anymore to new members.
  - o The minimum is now 300 dollars.
  - More information to follow from Supreme.
- Finally, Dave reminded us to consider the fact that all the programs, policies, and packages offered by the KOC organization follow and adhere to Catholic values.

### XVI. District Deputy Report – John Lynn

- Discussed the midyear organizational meeting
  - o It was an outstanding success, it was well attended.
  - o Excellent participation at the breakout session.
- Jim Caffery, the new State Deputy, has come up with a new slogan for the District Deputies.
  - o "United in Faith, Family, and Service, For the Glory of God."
  - o Emblematic of the values and principles that we as Knights stand for.
- Mentioned that the "40 Days for Life" event will be coming soon.
  - o The abortion issue is now highly politicized, split 50/50 Pro-choice/Pro-life.
  - A good time for some reflective and contemplative prayer because ultimately this is a moral issue and not a political issue.
- Finally, John stated that he would at the church to officiate the council's installation of officers.
  - o This will take place after the Saturday 5pm mass.

#### XVII. Good of the Order

- Fellow Knights and associated family members in need of both spiritual and/or material assistance.
  - Bridget Mosley
  - Loren Hensen
  - o Dennis and Michelle Cullen
  - o Tony Yarosh
  - Neal Pugh family and Calista
  - Jason McGinnis
  - Dave Herskovits
  - Kathy Spence
  - Victor Ogunmodede
  - o Art Myers
  - o Eugene Merys, good friend of Dave Pettys
  - o Carolyn Stancati

#### XVIII. Chaplain's Summation – Father Mike

• None given.

#### **XIX.** Closing Prayer

• Read by Chris Kennedy for Bill Hensen.

## **MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:11 AM**

• The minutes were recorded and reported by Mr. Bernard Stancati.

## ----- Attachments/Correspondence/Other Documents -----

	8/1/201	5	
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	Shirts and Hats	\$	139.00
	Peaches	\$	4,159.00
	Burritos	S	55.00
Total Receipts:		s	4,600.91
Expenses	Scholarship	\$	2,000.00
	DoNuts	\$	108.68
	Shirts and Hats	\$	126.00
	Assessments	\$	369.82
	Relay For Life	\$	250.00
	Supplies	\$	29.40
Total Expenses:		\$	2,883.90
Cash flow:	T	\$	1,717.01

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OUTSTANDING CH	ECKS	\$	1,322.57	\$ 1,830.87
HAILEY FUNDS	60.00	\$	2,442.06	\$ 2,442.72
LADY KNIGHTS' FU	INDS	\$	2,298.72	\$ 2,298.72
AVAILABLE FUND		\$	12,135.93	\$ 13,852.94

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Difference	\$	-

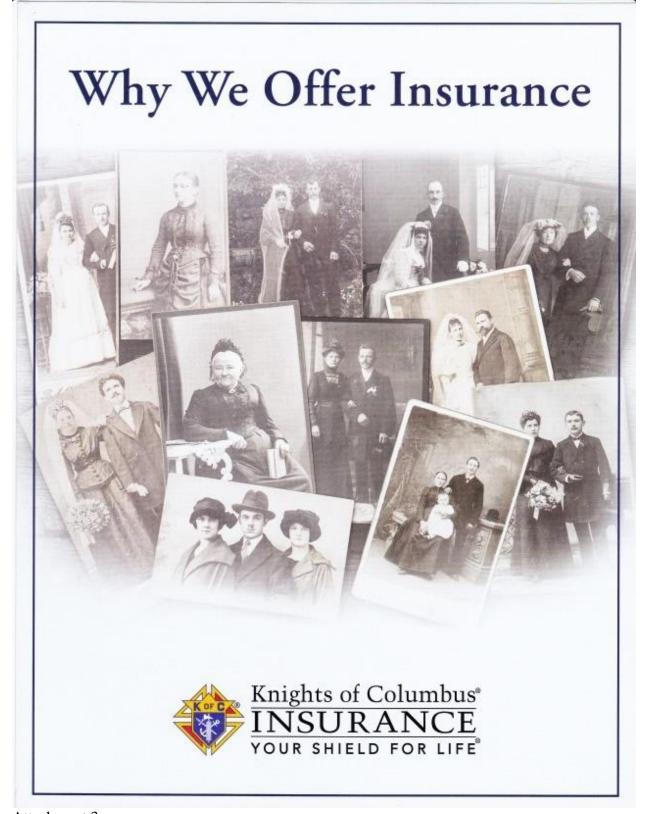
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## Attachment 2



Attachment 3

Attachment 4 – none

Attachment 5 – none

Attachment 6 – none