

Knights of Columbus

In Service to One, In Service to All

Rev. Robert F. Houlihan, S.J., Council 10937 Business Meeting – June 13, 2015.

I. General

- ∞ The Council was called to order at 8:09 am by Grand Knight, Joe Musso.
- ∞ A huge *Thanks* to Grand Knight Joe Musso! Great job and extraordinary service!
- ∞ Opening Prayer was offered by Gary Mayfield. The role of officers was called and noted as follows (P = Present; A = Absence; E = excused)

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

The May 9, 2015 business-meeting minutes were approved as read and published.

II. Applications for Approval – Brennan/Roger

A request for transfer from St. Mark Council - Michael De Simone

A motion to accept came from Dennis and was seconded by Bill Hensen.

Discussion followed and resulted in unanimous approval.

A request for transfer for our new pastor, Fr. Marek Krohl.

A motion to accept came from Roger and was seconded by Dave Martz.

Fr. Marek was unanimously approved for transfer.

III. Grand Knight Report - Joe

Pennies from Heaven

Knight of the Month – Dennis Thumann

Family of the Month – Brennan Mendus Family.

- Joe reminded everyone that the installation of officers will be August 8 following Mass.
- There is a change of date for the next business meeting. It has been moved to Saturday, July 18th.
- The July 11th mid-year meetings will be held at DTC Doubletree Hotel. There will also be Assembly meetings.
- John Starke has transferred out of our Council to an Evergreen Council.
- The St. Mark July 4th picnic will be announced.
- Joe congratulated and mentioned what a great accomplishment it was for Rock Canyon High School to win the State baseball championship.
- David Allen is now enrolled as a member of the Perpetual Memorial Society.

Correspondence:

Denver Metro Chapter Picnic at Mother Cabrini Shrine September 19th.

Folder from the Rite of Ordination Mass.

Pictures from the Catholic Herald on the ordination of our three seminarians, Greg Bierbaum, Nathaniel Hinds, and Roy Recio Mirabent.

An ultrasound story.

National Committee for a Human Life Amendment Encouraging news from SBA List.

IV. Chaplain's Report - Father Jim (Fr. Mike)

Fr. Mike talked about Fr. Krohl. He asked that we as Knights help make his transition to Pax as consistent and comfortable as possible. The official transition date is July 5, 2015.

V. Treasurer's Report - Dennis Cullen

Report handed out at meeting included below.

Bank Balance - \$ 17,426.69 Available Funds - \$ 12,115.82

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		Football Raffle	\$	500.00	\$	400.00	S	470.00	S	400.00	
		Fish Fry	\$	3,180.00	\$	1,700.00	S	1,375.00	\$	1,161.47	
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Receipts	Pancakes	\$ 502.00		
	Dues	\$ 35.00		
	40 Cans for Lent	\$ 20.00		
	Pennies From Heaven	\$ 38.75		
	Spaghetti Dinners	\$ 265.00		
	Pancakes	\$ 631.95		
	DoNuts	\$ 138.80		
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Total Receipts:	122.73	\$ 1,631.50		
Expenses	Donations	\$ 350.00		
	Supplies	\$ 237.70		
	Adopt-a-Highway	\$ 97.29		
	Grand Knight Fund	\$ 65.19 393.15		
	Spaghetti Dinners			
	Pancakes	\$ 231.22		
	DoNuts	\$ 121.84		
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Total Expenses:		\$ 1,496.39		
Cash flow:	1 33.00 2	\$ 135.11		

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AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$	11,980.71	\$	12,115.82

Reconciliation between Financial Secretary and Treasurer							
Bank Balance end of last month	\$	17,733.05					
Less Prior Month Outstanding Checks	\$	1,937.86					
Plus Current Month deposits	\$	1,631.50					
Less Current Month Checks	\$	1,496.39					
Plus Current Month Outstanding Checks	\$	1,496.39					
Expected Bank Balance	\$	17,426.69					
Actual Bank Balance end of current month	\$	17,426.69					
Difference	\$	01.085					

VI. Financial Secretary's Report – Dennis Thumann

Report handed out at meeting. (above)

Receipts - \$ 1,631.50

Expenses - \$ 1,496.39

Bank Balance - \$ 17,426.69

Dennis handed out the following schedule of activities for July 2015 through June 2016. The schedule shows those activities which primarily occur on Church property.

2015-2016 Knights of Columbus #10937

Month	DOW	Date	Activity	Facilities Needed	Time
July	Sunday	Hall 5910	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
July	Sunday	12	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
July	Saturday	18	Beer Tent- Church Picnic	Great Hall,Plaza	?
July	Saturday	18	Council Meeting	Chapel, Rm 1	7:30-9:30
July	Sunday	19	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
July	Sunday	26	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall	7-12:30
August	Sunday	2	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
August	Saturday	8	Installation of Officers	Church, Great Hall	6:30-9:00
August	Saturday	8	Council Meeting, 1st Degree	Chapel, Rm 1,2,6	7:30-9:30
August	Saturday	15 15 10 c	Beer and Brats/Peaches	Kitchen, Great Hall, Plaza	4-7 pm
August	Sunday	Jish teere.	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
August	Sunday	16	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
August	Sunday	23	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall	7-12:30
August	Sunday	30	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
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September	Sunday	6	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
September	Saturday	12	Council Meeting	Chapel, Rm 1	7:30-9:30
September	Saturday	12	Beer and Brats	Kitchen, Great Hall, Plaza	4-7 pm
September	Sunday	13	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
September	Sunday	20	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
September	Sunday	27	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall	7-12:30
October	Sunday	4	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
October	Saturday	10	Council Meeting, 1st Degree	Chapel, Rm 1,2,6	7:30-9:30
October	Saturday	10	Spaghetti Dinner	Kitchen, Great Hall	12-9 pm
October	Sunday	HEH 11 10	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
October	Sunday	18	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
October	Sunday	25	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall, Plaza	7-12:30
November	Sunday	lish 1910	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
November	Sunday	8	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
November	Saturday	14	Council Meeting	Chapel, Rm 1, 2	7:30-9:30
November	Sunday	15	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
November	Sunday	22	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
November	Saturday	21	Thanksgiving Baskets	Kitchen, Great Hall, Plaza	7-10 am
November	Sunday	29	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
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December	Sunday	6	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall	7-12:30
December	Friday	11	Christmas Party	Kitchen, Great Hall	4-9 pm
December	Saturday	12	Council Meeting, 1st Degree	Chapel, Rm 1,2,6	7-9:30 am
December	Sunday	13	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
December	Sunday	20	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
December	Sunday	27	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
January	Sunday	3	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
January	Saturday	9	Council Meeting	Chapel, Rm 1	7:30-9:30
January	Sunday	10	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall	7-12:30
January	Sunday	17	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30

January	Sunday	24	Donuts	onuts Kitchen, Great Hall	
January	Saturday	30	Spaghetti Dinner	Kitchen, Great Hall	12-9 pm
January	Sunday	31	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
February	Sunday	7	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
February	Friday	12	Fish Tacos	Kitchen, Great Hall, Plaza	12-10 pm
February	Saturday	13	Council Meeting, 1st Degree	ChapelRm 1, 2,6	7:30-9:30
February	Sunday	14	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	7-12:30
February	Sunday	22	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
February	Friday	26	Fish Tacos	Kitchen, Great Hall	3-10 pm
February	Sunday	28	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
March	Sunday	6	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
March	Friday	11	Fish Tacos	Kitchen, Great Hall, Plaza	12-10 pm
March	Saturday	12	Council Meeting	Chapel, Rm 1	7:30-9:30
March	Sunday	13	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
March	Saturday	19	40 cans for Lent	Great hall Plaza	7-10 am
March	Sunday	20	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
March	Sunday	27	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	7-12:30
April	Sunday	3	Donuts	Kitchen, Plaza	8-12:30
April	Saturday	9	Council Meeting	Meeting Chapel, Rm 1	
April	Sunday	10	Donuts	Donuts Kitchen, Great Hall	
April	Friday	15	Social and 1st degree	l and 1st degree Great hall, Rm 2, 6	
April	Sunday	17	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
April	Sunday	24	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall	7:00-12:30
May	Sunday	1 1 1 mg	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
May	Saturday	11.11.7	Spaghetti Dinner	Kitchen, Great Hall	12-9 pm
May	Sunday	8	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
May	Saturday	14	Council Meeting	Chapel, Rm 1	7:30-9:30
May	Sunday	15	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
May	Sunday	22	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
May	Sunday	29	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall	7-12:30
June	Sunday	5	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
June	Saturday	11	Council Meeting, 1st Degree	ncil Meeting, 1st Degree Chapel, Rm 1,2,6	
June	Sunday	12	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
June	Sunday	19	Donuts	Kitchen, Great Hall	8-12:30
June	Sunday	26	Breakfast	Kitchen, Great Hall	7:00-12:30

VII. Chancellor's Update - Bill Hensen

Bill asked for recommendations for new seminarians that we could sponsor. Fr. Mike will have a list of possibilities on August 15, 2015. The prayer for vocations was said.

VIII. Committee Reports - Gary Mayfield

a. Membership - Roger Guidici/Brennan Mendus

There will be a major degree July 18, 2015 at Queen of Peace. We have the new form 100. Family members are no longer included on the form.

b. Church Director Report – Jay Calvarese

Donuts are ongoing. There will be 42 Knight donut days next year. Beer and Brats is tonight. Help is needed.

c. Community Report - Ford Fay/Bob Luckner

The May 16th Adopt-a-highway went very well.

d. Council Activity Report - Nereus Lobo/Paul Sciera

There was a light turnout for Rescue Mission. Nereus encouraged Knights to signup for future lunches as it truly manifests Christ's love through our work

Burritos are scheduled for June 28th. We will again charge \$2 each.

The beer garden at the Church block party is July 18th. Help is needed. Four breweries will be represented at this point.

The family social this month will be at Sue and Roger Guidici's home. We will be celebrating Roger's retirement. (Friday June 19th).

e. Family Report - Shawn Conley/Joe Regnery

A family hike is planned for June 28th on the *East West Trail* which starts off Daniels Park Road and goes to Mountain Vista H.S.

f. Right to Life report - Mike McGinnis

Mike urged Knights to contact Congress in support of prolife legislation. Soon to come up is legislation regarding conscience and religious protection, which will likely be attached to the appropriations bill.

Mike read the story about a mother who Planned Parenthood would not allow to view her ultrasound for fear she would <u>not</u> go through with the abortion. She went to a pregnancy crisis center where, after viewing the ultrasound, she chose life.

Mike presented new abortion stats from the Associated Press showing a 12% decrease in abortions.

g. Youth Report – Tim Pimmel/Ben Stancati

This years Relay For Life will be held at Shea Stadium July 24-25.

h. Newsletter - Chris Kennedy

None.

IX. Advocate's Report – Dave Petteys

Flag Day is tomorrow.

There will be a flag retirement this morning at Light of the World at 10 am.

Another flag retirement will occur tomorrow in Security at noon.

X. Auditors and Trustees – Chris Kennedy

Chris mentioned that there is an open seat for auditor coming soon.

Chris also mentioned that he will be mowing and cleaning up the Rosary Walk after the meeting. He could use some help.

XI. Lecturer – Ben Stancati

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

None.

XII. Unfinished Business -

- 1) Budget approval: The budget was reviewed and a motion was made by Roger Guidici to accept it as is. Chris Kennedy seconded the motion, discussion ensued and a unanimous vote to accept followed.
- 2) Slate of Officers: Joe presented the following slate of officers and asked if there were any additional nominations. None were presented so the slate stays as is.

Grand Knight-Gary Mayfield, Deputy Grand Knight-Bill Hensen, Appointed Financial Secretary-Dennis Thumann, Appointed Chaplain- Fr. Mike Buckley, Treasurer- Dennis Cullen, Chancellor- Tim Pimmel, Recorder- Ben Stancati, Advocate- Dave Petteys, Warden- Tony Yarosh, Inside Guard- Roger Guidici, Outside Guard- Bob Luckner, One-Year Trustee- Chris Kennedy, Two-Year Trustee- Paul Sciera, Three-Year Trustee- Joe Musso, Lecturer- Alan Brown.

A motion to accept the slate by acclamation was made by Roger Guidici and seconded by Chris Kennedy. There was a unanimous vote to accept the slate as presented.

XIII. New Business

Joe thanked all the Knights who have worked on our various projects the past two years. He thanked program directors and gave a special thanks for our clergy.

XIV. 4th Degree Report – Jon Herskovits (

There will be fourth degree exemplifications in Montrose Aug. 15th and in Denver Oct.

The slate of officers for the Assembly has been elected.

The installation of officers will be July 18th. John Alfeld read the names of the elected Assembly officers.

The 4th of July parade is coming up.

Dave Petteys congratulated our new Sir Knights: Fr. Mike, Bill Hensen, and Ben Stancati.

XV. Field Agent Report -

No Report.

XVI. District Deputy Report – John Lynn

No Report.

XVII. Good of the Order

Bridget and Chris Mosely, Loren Hensen, Michelle and Dennis Cullen, Calista Pugh and the Neil Pugh Family, Jason McGinnis, Tony Yarosh, Dan Doran, Bob Luckner's sisterin-law Norma and Jon Herskovits' father Dave Herskovits.

XVIII. Chaplain's Summation – Fr. Mike

XIX. Closing Prayer

Read by Gary Mayfield.

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:14 am

∞ minutes recorded and reported by Mike McGinnis

---- Correspondence ----

Deriver Metro Chapter
53°s Hall
1555 Grant Street
Deriver
Greetings Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries:

Your Deriver Metro Chapter is Fifty Years Young, thus showing that when working together we can be an effective organization. Please come celebrate your success while helping the next Fifty to be even better.

The Chapter will be hosting an annual picric for all metropolitan area councils and their families at the Mother Cabrini Shrine, Golden, Colorado, on Saturday, September 19, 2015 from 8 AM to 3 PM.

The Deriver Metro Chapter invites all of the counciling Deriver metropolitan area to come and view what the Deriver Knights Chapter is doing to promote, facilitate and coordinate communications of all ongoing projects within the Deriver metropolitan area, while enjoying a family activity in such beautiful serene surrounds. What better way to view and put your input into the Knights goings on throughout our vast megalopolis. The activities planned will start around 9 AM, with the Procession up to the Sacret Heart of Jesus status praying the Stations of the Cross along the way beginning around 10 AM. A Mass at Noon with a picric to follow and in between theses is to be to go of the Ill and they can take part in the Procession at the top, like we did for the Supreme Convention. If we have the vehicles, we might even be able to offer tours of the Strine facilities. We want to offer a separate activities program for the children, if we can obtain the assistance of volunteers. Following the Noon Mass there will be a picric in the old pool area, next to the Cabrini Gardens.

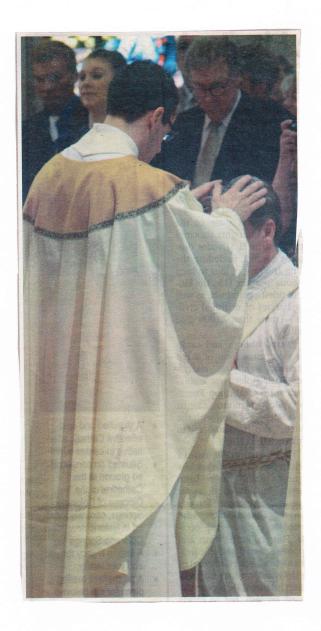
Please contact J R White for more information or to volunteer and contribute: wiras0000@juno.com

Diocese of Colorado Springs



Rite of Ordination to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood May 30, 2015 St. Mary's Cathedral 10:00 A.M.

Some familiar faces at the Ordination Mass:



(photo left)

Fr. Jim lays his hands on newly ordained priest Fr. Greg Bierbaum during the rite of ordination at St. Mary's Cathedral in Colorado Springs.

(photo below)

Knight's Honor guard processing into the Cathedral at the beginning of the ordination Mass.



Photos from the Colorado Catholic Herald

Respect Life correspondence is below. Please take a minute to read.

This emphasizes the importance of working with Congress on Prolife issues.



Call to Action

Dear Friend,

Please join in urging Congress to support our cherished rights of conscience and religious liberty. Policy is being considered right now on Capitol Hill that can protect the freedom of all Americans. Please take action today!

Now is the time to urge Congress to work to enact critically important conscience protections this year. Such protections will likely be included in a soon-to-be-introduced appropriations bill, but House members should be urged to ensure that it remains a high priority and goes into law. Senators should also be called upon to help ensure passage of these needed protections. Please take action today to contact Congress. Just follow this link to our Human Life Action Center.

The need for legislation protecting the rights of conscience and religious liberty has grown more pressing. The Obama Administration's contraceptive/abortifacient mandate under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) began to be enforced against religious nonprofit schools, charities and health care providers on January 1, 2014. More recently the state of California started forcing all health insurers in the state to include elective abortions in the health plans they sell. These two problems are addressed by the Health Care Conscience Rights Act (H.R. 940). It would add a long-overdue conscience clause to the ACA, and strengthen the Weldon amendment that forbids governmental bodies which receive federal Health and Human Services funds from discriminating against those who decline to take part in abortion or abortion coverage. Congress should work to enact the policy of H.R. 940 this year.

Thank you for once again raising your voice in defense of life and liberty. Together we will be heard!

Amy McInerny Executive Director

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The story below emphasizes the importance of our Ultra Sound Initiative.

June 9, 2015 Ultrasound

Woman rejects abortion after she sees her baby on ultrasound

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Rebekah Nancarrow had an ultrasound at Planned Parenthood (for which she paid \$80), but wasn't allowed to see the image. She was told by a Planned Parenthood worker that seeing the fetus on the screen "will only make it harder on you."

Nancarrow later went to a crisis pregnancy center and was given a free ultrasound. This time she was allowed to view it. Nancarrow was so moved by what she saw on the ultrasound screen that she changed her mind about having an abortion and decided to have her baby. She says: Had I not had the sonogram, I would have had the abortion. But that sonogram just confirmed 100% to me that this was a life within me, not a tissue or glob.

Nancarrow's story reveals two things. One, that pregnancy resource centers are lifesavers and should be supported by pro-lifers. Two, that there is a reason why pro-abortion groups like Planned Parenthood fight against laws allowing women to see their baby on the ultrasound screen. These abortion providers know that if more women saw the baby moving in their wombs, there would be fewer abortions.

Hi Michael -- I have incredible news!

The Associated Press is reporting that the number of abortions in the United States has **dropped by 12%** since 2010. The breaking report also noted that more than 260 pro-life measures have been enacted at the state level since 2011.

During this time, **your Susan B. Anthony List** has been more active on the ground than ever before, working with our state allies to enact critical, life-savir measures.

How are we working to protect unborn babies and their mothers? Some of our most recent successes at the state and federal level include:

- Pro-life women legislators, backed by SBA List and the NC Values Coalition, passed HB 765 in North Carolina last week. This new law further protects unborn children and their mothers from the scourge of abortion by allowing women more time to consider abortion alternatives and also mandating yearly inspections for abortion facilities.
- In recent months, Dr. David Prentice Vice President of our research arm the Charlotte Lozier Institute - has testified on behalf of legislation in Indiana and Ohio that defends babies in the womb diagnosed with Down syndrome. Up to 87% of unborn babies diagnosed with Down syndrome in the womb are killed by abortion.
- Last week, Charlotte Lozier Institute experts testified in a joint committee
 hearing in Wisconsin on behalf of a 20-week abortion limit. Today, the full
 Wisconsin Senate will vote on the bill. A similar bill also recently passed i
 West Virginia, where it required overriding the governor's veto. Similar
 legislation has passed in more than a dozen states so far.
- The federal version of a 20-week limit, or the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, passed the U.S. House of Representatives just last month, thanks in large part to your help. We expect the Senate version of this bill to be introduced soon, and we will need your further assistance to help advance it in the Senate.