



Knights of Columbus

In Service to One, In Service to All
 Rev. Robert F. Houlihan, S.J., Council 10937
 Business Meeting – Nov 12, 2016

I. General

- For Gary Mayfield, Deputy Grand Knight, Bill Hensen called the council meeting to order at 8:06 AM.
- Tim Pimmel offered the opening prayers.
- The council recited the Pledge of Allegiance
- The Deputy Grand Knight called for the role of officers, status is: (P = Present; A = Absence; E = Excused)

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

- The council unanimously approved the October 2016 meeting minutes as read and published.
 - Dave Martz made the motion to accept.
 - Dave Petty seconded it.

II. Applications for Approval – Dennis Thumann

- No new Form 100s.
- Three transfer Form 100s
 - Jose Hernandez from Las Vegas NM.
 - Anthony Dellano and Craig Fagerness from St Mark.
 - Tim Pimmel presented a motion to accept, Tony Yarosh seconded, unanimously approved.

III. Grand Knight Report – Gary Mayfield (given by Bill Hensen)

- Correspondence:
 - Diocese of Colorado Springs Christmas fundraiser event on November 16 (see attachment pg.8).
 - Letter from Deacon Ed DeMattee of the Diocese of Colorado Springs concerning supporting the Wounded Warrior Project (see attachment pgs.9 and 10).
 - Thank you note from Brother Knight Andrew Thumann (see attachment pg.11).
- Other
 - Because the mid-year conference is scheduled for December 10, the December business meeting is now scheduled for the 7th at 7PM.
 - Planned location for the mid-year conference is the Crowne Plaza hotel near the airport.
 - The annual Christmas party is scheduled for Dec 9 th.
 - The annual Advent reconciliation dinner is scheduled for December 15th at 5PM.

- District Deputy Meeting is to take place at Pax Christi on January 14 after our monthly business meeting.
- Pennies from heaven.
- Knight of the Month for October – Brennan Mendus.
- Family of the Month for October – The Valenti family.

IV. Chaplain's Report – Father Marek

- Father's talk centered on unity, specifically the growing lack there-of in various segments of our nation's civil society and religious community. Because he is a foreigner and neither a Democrat or Republican, Father Marek has done a thoughtful examination of the conditions tied to the last eighteen months leading up to November 8 through a Catholic Church lens. From a religious perspective there has been a noted lack of decency and respect for the other person and their point of view. The election environment seemed to be governed by an ideological approach to the truth rather than a genuine search for it. Therefore as Catholics, Christians, and Knights we need to lead the way in searching for the truth with the goal of being a unifying force and not a dividing one. And all, especially the clergy, need to demonstrate courage when it comes to standing up for the truth even when it means doing the difficult or being subject to extreme ridicule. The best way to accomplish this is to listen to what our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ has to say about believers not being afraid of being a shining light and beacon to the rest of society and the world.

V. Treasurer's Report – Joe Regnery (given by Dennis Thumann)

- Report handed out at the meeting (see attachment pg.7).
 - Bank Balance - \$33,948.08
 - Outstanding Checks - \$5,008.86
 - Hailey Funds - \$1,312.06
 - Lady Knights - \$2,229.25
 - Available Funds - \$25,397,91

VI. Financial Secretary's Report – Dennis Thumann

- Report handed out at the meeting (see attachment pg.7). The figures are in balance with the Treasurer's report.
 - Receipts - \$8,492.91
 - Expenses - \$2,946.47
 - Bank balance - \$33,948.08
 - There is a positive cash flow of \$5,546.44, the result of recent activity.

VII. Auditor and Trustees – Chris Kennedy/Paul Sciera/Joe Musso

- No report.

VIII. Chancellor's Update – Tim Pimmel

- The list of the new seminarians for the council to sponsor is still yet to be released by State. Last year it came out in early December.
- Dennis Thumann mentioned that there are 3 sponsor checks still outstanding and being carried on the books. This issue needs to be resolved – Tim Pimmel, Dennis Thumann, and Joe Regnery have for action.
- Tim led the prayer for vocations.

VIV. Committee Reports – Given by Tim Pimmel

a. Membership – Roger Guidici/Brennan Mendus

- Exemplifications:
 - Currently there is no council First Degrees scheduled.
 - There are two standalone degree exemplifications, 2nd and 3rd, planned for December 2nd at the Ave Maria parish in Parker.
 - There is a combined 2nd and 3rd Degree exemplification scheduled for Jan 28 2017 at St Augustine's parish, 178 6th Ave, in Brighton.
 - Registration is from 10 to 11:30AM.
 - Banquet following at 1096 E Bridge St. Brighton.
- First Degree Team.
 - The next practice is scheduled for November 14 at 7PM.
 - Roger is soliciting members to join the team as understudies to the main cadre.
- Prospective Form 100s.
 - Shawn Conley's son is now home from the service and is interested in joining.
 - During the ministry fair three people expressed interest in becoming Knights.
 - One has responded and will join once his sacristan training is completed.
 - The other two have not responded back, Roger will follow up.
- Ongoing reminder request from Roger that everyone's help is needed recruiting new members. The best way to recruit is to ask.

b. Church Director Report – Dermot O'Doherty (given by Tim Pimmel)

- Sunday donuts are ongoing per the schedule.
 - The last one was November 6.
 - The next one will be November 20.
 - The Pax Youth Ministry has the second Sunday.
 - The 4th Sunday is still open
- The annual Pax Trunk or Treat event was held on October 23rd after the 5PM mass, and was a great success, collecting over \$2,000.
- The Advent Reconciliation Dinner is planned for December 15th at 5PM.
- Father Krol needs four volunteers on Weds, Nov 16, around 10AM to help in doing some work outside around the church and rectory. This will take about one hour.

c. Community Report – Bob Luckner/Ford Fay/Dan Doran

- The Tootsie Roll drive/campaign is over for 2016, it was a great success.
 - The council collected \$3,378 that will go to State Charities, and then eventually to ARC and Special Olympics.
 - Highway Cleanup took place on October 18 with about 12 folks showing up. Because the team was about four or five people short, need about 20 to get the job done, only 80% of the highway got cleaned.
- The Thanksgiving Basket drive is underway, Bob Luckner has for action.
 - Bob provided a comprehensive schedule of planned activities (see attachment pgs.12 and 13).
 - This year instead of baskets we will be using storage containers with lids.
 - Safeway at Lone Tree is providing the food.
 - As of November 12 we are at 430 baskets, the goal this year is 500.
 - Distribution day is November 19, start time is 7AM.

- Father Krol recommended contacting Chenele Shaw in order to get the Youth Group involved in this event.
- This will be Bob's last year doing this event as the committee chair. Kenneth Balcerzak, a new transfer from St. Mark, has already come forward to replace Bob.

d. **Council Activity Report** – Nereus Lobo/Paul Sciera (given by Tim Pimmel)

- Denver Rescue mission event was held in October, 12 members showed.
- The next burrito breakfast is scheduled for December 4.
- Council monthly social:
 - November's event is scheduled for the 18th at the Olive Garden, show time is 6:30 to 7PM.
 - December's event will be the annual Christmas Party, scheduled for December 9.
- The 25th Anniversary event is currently in the planning stages, Roger has for action.
 - There are five people on a planning committee.
 - Roger intends to hold the first planning meetings soon.

e. **Family Report** – Currently vacant

- This position is now filled. The new director will be Tony Mancuso.
- Christmas Party is scheduled for December 9.
- The council is soliciting the membership for additional ideas.

f. **Right to Life Report** – Mike McGinnis

- The "40 Days for Life" program was completed on November 6. It was the biggest campaign yet, spanning the globe.
- Mike is looking to purchase a new banner to replace the one taken.
- National Night of Prayer to be held on December 8, with rosary and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We may need some Knights in regalia.
- Baptisms are being scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Sundays.
 - The 1st is to be the 8:30AM mass.
 - The 3rd is to be the 10:30AM mass.

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

- The Altar Server recognition and recruitment campaign pizza party social is scheduled for November 12th after the 5PM mass.
 - The event is to celebrate six altar servers who passed their tests and are being advanced.
 - The main sponsor is the Master of Ceremony ministry, with our council supporting.
- Alan Brown has agreed to become the Youth Director when Tim moves up to become the Deputy Grand Knight.
- Alan mentioned that the Pax Youth Group has organized a church cleanup event for the weekend of November 19-20. They will be picking up trash around the St Katherine Drexel pre-school area.
- The High School confirmation group is going on a retreat on the weekend of November 18 - 20.

h. **Newsletter**

- Gary continues to send in the meeting minutes/agenda as our newsletter, nothing else to report.

X. Advocate's Report – Dave Petteys

- None

XI. Unfinished Business

- There seems to be a business meeting agenda email/format issue connected to Gary Mayfield's I-phone that is in need of resolution.

XII. New Business

- None

XIII. 4th Degree Report – Dave Petteys

- A meeting is scheduled for after the council meeting.
- On November 13, the assembly is scheduled to usher and bring up the gifts at the 8:30AM mass.
- On November 11, the assembly participated in the Highlands Ranch Veteran's Day ceremony at the Highlands Ranch Town Center Library.
- A planning meeting is scheduled for November 16 at Keith Haley's home, 2816 Windridge Cir, Highlands Ranch, starting at 6:30PM.
- The assembly is planning to help with the Special Olympics Bowling tournament on November 19 at Bellview Lanes.
- Rosary events.
 - The assembly is sponsor for the "5th Sunday Rosary" event that are held after 5PM mass on Sunday
 - The last one was held on October 16.
 - The next one is January 29.
 - The assembly is also planning on sponsoring the "Advent Family Rosary" event, which will be held in the chapel on Wednesday night during the Advent season.
 - Both are in support of Supreme's "Building the Domestic Church program."

XIV. Field Agent Report – David Cary

- None

XV. District Deputy Report – Bernie Kuta

- None

XVI. Good of the Order

- **Lecturer – Alan Brown/Ben Stancati** - Alan Brown led this month's discussion. The topic concerned commemorating the faithfully departed that was part of All Souls Day, November 2nd (see attachment pgs.14 and 15).
- The following associated family members and friends are in need of both spiritual and/or material assistance: Bridget Mosley, Loren Hensen, Dennis and Michelle Cullen, Neal Pugh family and Calista, Andrea Kelly, Dave Herskovits, Michael Lobo, Tom Sathre, Bob Ehle, Ken Field (good friends of Ben Stancati), George Hensen, Kattie Martindale (Ron Gerber's granddaughter), Kathy Spence, Ilene Mayfield, (Gary's sister-in-law), Frank Hensen, Herb Engler, Monic Conley, Brian Schessor, Jan Regnery (Joe's mom), John Babbitts (Gary's uncle), Larry Call, Emma Eldridge,

(Joe Regnery's mother-in-law), Ken Tahmassebi (Gary's good friend), Ben Stancati, Jackie Regnery, Ann Sears, Joe Musso, the family of Howard Tanner, members of our council that have passed, and those on the parish prayer chain.

XVII. Chaplain's Summation – Fr. Marek

- Father read out of the KOC blue prayer book for November 12.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 AM. *Minutes recorded and reported by Ben Stancati.*

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

Financial Reports (Treasurer's and Financial Secretary's)

11/1/2016			
Receipts	Tootsie Roll Drive	\$	1,698.63
	Burritos	\$	725.00
	DoNuts	\$	463.03
	Dues	\$	72.00
	Shirts and Hats	\$	274.00
	Thanksgiving	\$	5,230.00
	Pennies From Heaven	\$	30.25
Total Receipts:		\$	8,492.91
Expenses	Beer & Brats	\$	105.32
	Shirts and Hats	\$	90.00
	DoNuts	\$	398.63
	Supplies	\$	108.80
	Major Degree	\$	78.75
	Thanksgiving	\$	1,683.74
	Burritos	\$	318.05
	Capital Investment	\$	98.16
	Major Degree	\$	55.00
	Bank Charges	\$	10.00
Total Expenses:		\$	2,946.47
Cash flow:		\$	5,546.44

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY TREASURER REPORT			
DATE:	10/30/2016		
	September	October	
BANK BALANCE	\$ 26,907.28	\$	33,948.08
OUTSTANDING CHECKS	\$ 3,514.50	\$	5,008.86
HAILEY FUNDS	\$ 1,312.06	\$	1,312.06
LADY KNIGHTS' FUNDS	\$ 2,229.25	\$	2,229.25
AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$ 19,851.47	\$	25,397.91

Reconciliation between Financial Secretary and Treasurer		
Bank Balance end of last month	\$	26,907.28
Less Prior Month Outstanding Checks	\$	3,514.50
Plus Current Month deposits	\$	8,492.91
Less Current Month Checks	\$	2,946.47
Plus Current Month Outstanding Checks	\$	5,008.86
Expected Bank Balance	\$	33,948.08
Actual Bank Balance end of current month	\$	33,948.08
Difference	\$	-



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4 November 2016

To: The Grand Knight's of the Knights of Columbus Council's
in the Diocese of Colorado Springs

Dear Worthy Grand Knight,

The Military Outreach Ministry of our Diocese is requesting the financial assistance of your Council in supporting the families of our wounded veterans and soldiers many of whom suffer from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) resulting from their military service in the Iraq and Afghanistan wars - and who presently experiencing financial hardships.

For the past 4-Years, through the Military Outreach Ministry, one of the ways our Diocese has assisted our wounded heroes is by providing Thanksgiving meals to their families and Christmas gifts to their children; at a cost of \$50 per meal and \$25 for each gift for children age 12 and under.

This year, after coordinating with military Chaplains at Ft. Carson, The Army Community Services (ASC) at Ft. Carson, and non-profit organizations and ministries in Denver and Colorado Springs; over **400 families** have been identified that are experiencing financial difficulties and would directly benefit from receiving Thanksgiving meals, and we believe that number will increase. Additionally, there will be approximately **1,200 children** that would receive Christmas gifts from our Diocesan efforts.

Currently involved in the Military Outreach Ministry are 7 - Catholic Parishes from our Diocese, 3-other churches from Colorado Springs and Denver, and private donations that have committed to support our holiday programs. Unfortunately, even with their generous support to our veteran and military families. With the current commitments received, we are only going to be able to meet about 80% of the need.

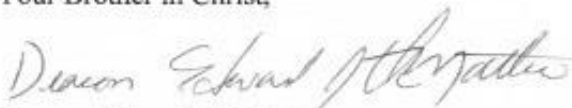
Without additional financial support, many families will not have a Thanksgiving meal and children will not receive a Christmas gift - hence the reason for this letter. I am requesting a donation a \$1,000 from your Council to help provide Thanksgiving meals and Christmas gifts to children of our wounded heroes and their families.

If your Council is able to respond to our request for a \$1,000, or any amount you are able to provide, and support this Ministry in helping our wounded brothers in sisters, please make the check payable to: St. Mark Catholic Church, and in the memo section please indicate: Military Outreach Ministry. The address for St. Mark is 9905 Foothills Canyon Blvd, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129.

All funds received will be used to purchase gift cards that will be given to the units and organizations for disbursement to the needy families. I would like to know by 17 November if your Council is able to support this effort, so we can plan accordingly. My contact information is provided below. Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can provide any additional information.

Thank you for considering this request. May our Heavenly Father continue to bless the members of your Council and their families with good health, peace, happiness, and prosperity.

Your Brother in Christ,



Deacon Edward J. DeMattee
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Dear Brother Knights,

Thank you so much for your prayers and well wishes for my injured hip. I am blessed to have such a strong support group in my life and for that I am thankful. I would not have recovered as quickly as I did without you. In addition, thank you for continuing my KOPC scholarship. You all have contributed in making my dreams and ambitions come true. Thank you all.

- Andrew Thurman

Thanksgiving Food Drive Schedule

Final Week

Monday (11/14):

- Finalize Basket Counts with Charities (Bob)
- Finalize Food Order with Grocery store (Ron & Bob)
- ^{4:00} ~~5:00~~ PM - Move Basket containers from Gary's office to church (Knights) BF

Thursday (11/17):

- Order donuts from King Soopers (need volunteer)
- Put together delivery direction sheets, signup sheets & signs

Friday (11/18):

- 5:00 PM - Meet at Safeway in Lone tree to load food into trailer (Knights)
- 6:30 PM - Knights ^{Council Social -} ~~Happy Hour?~~ (TBD) ^{Olive Garden} BF

Saturday (11/19):

- 6:45 AM - Pick up donuts at King Soopers (TBD)
- 7:00 AM - Meet at Pax Christi - Unload trailer, Set up Food Drive Assembly Line & Distribution Area
- 7:30 AM - Make coffee & set up donuts
- 8:00 - 9:15 AM - Food Basket Assembly
- 9:15 AM - Blessing of Food Baskets & Volunteers (Fr. Marek or Fr.

Bierbaum)

- 9:30-10:30 AM Load Cars & Food Distribution (30 Drivers needed)
- 10:00-11:00 AM Arrival of Parishioners & Butterfly Program for food pickup at Parish (Need volunteer)
- 10:00 AM Distribution of Food (2) Baskets to Parishioners unable to driver (need volunteer)
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Clean-up (need volunteers)



Image: Orthodox service for the Faithful Departed. Vasily Vereshchagin.

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

Saint of the Day for November 2

The Story of the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest times as an act of Christian charity. “If we had no care for the dead,” Augustine noted, “we would not be in the habit of praying for them.” Yet pre-Christian rites for the deceased retained such a strong hold on the superstitious imagination that a liturgical commemoration was not observed until the early Middle Ages, when monastic communities began to mark an annual day of prayer for the departed members.

In the middle of the 11th century, Saint Odilo, abbot of Cluny, France, decreed that all Cluniac monasteries offer special prayers and sing the Office for the Dead on

November 2, the day after the feast of All Saints. The custom spread from Cluny and was finally adopted throughout the Roman Church.

The theological underpinning of the feast is the acknowledgment of human frailty. Since few people achieve perfection in this life but, rather, go to the grave still scarred with traces of sinfulness, some period of purification seems necessary before a soul comes face-to-face with God. The Council of Trent affirmed this purgatory state and insisted that the prayers of the living can speed the process of purification.

Superstition easily clung to the observance. Medieval popular belief held that the souls in purgatory could appear on this day in the form of witches, toads or will-o'-the-wisps. Graveside food offerings supposedly eased the rest of the dead.

Observances of a more religious nature have survived. These include public processions or private visits to cemeteries and decorating graves with flowers and lights. This feast is observed with great fervor in Mexico.

Reflection

Whether or not one should pray for the dead is one of the great arguments which divide Christians. Appalled by the abuse of indulgences in the Church of his day, Martin Luther rejected the concept of purgatory. Yet prayer for a loved one is, for the believer, a way of erasing any distance, even death. In prayer we stand in God's presence in the company of someone we love, even if that person has gone before us into death.

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