



Our Lady of the Incarnate Word Council #15199

Meeting of August 8th, 2024, the number of attendees: 17

The Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Grand Knight.
 The Warden attested that all attendees have a current membership card.
 The Grand Knight led the opening prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll of officers:

Chaplain: Fr. Leo Ortiz	A	Grand Knight: Philip Watje	P	Deputy GK: Ron Karaskiewicz	P
Financial Secretary: Jim Guth	P	Recorder: Steve Hunt	P	Treasurer: Stan Talik	P
Advocate: Jimm White	P	Lecturer: Jimm White	P	Chancellor: Thomas Plate	P
Warden: Anthony Gutierrez	P	Inside Guard: Matt Walsh	P	Outside Guard: Mark Bagdon	P
Trustee (3 yr): Jonathan Toni	P	Trustee (2 yr): Dom Lepore	A	Trustee (1 yr): Clemente Garcia	P
Field Agent: Bob Brunoni	A	Dist. Deputy: Christopher David	A		

Minutes of the Previous Meetings: The motion to approve the minutes of July 2024 passed.

Grand Knight's Report:

- Landscape Ministry Help:
 - SKs Matt, Mark, Gerald, and Philip assisted the Landscape Committee in removing wild shrubs from near the AC units so that they could be repaired.
 - A thank you was received from Dcn George for the work.
- Paid \$100 to Catholic Committee on Scouting to purchase crosses to be handed out to Chimayo Pilgrims.
- Ministry Fair on July 20 and 21
 - Thanks to SKs Tom, Ron K, Ron M, Mark, Matt, Ross, and Jim for helping at the Knight's table.
 - Two people signed up for the informational meeting on August 10th.

Treasurer report:

Regular	
<i>Checking account balance</i> 7/1/2024	\$ 7,656.72
1 deposit	\$ 25.00
7 checks	\$ (2,733.55)
Service fees	\$ -
Balance 7/31/2024	\$ 4,948.17
Raffle	
<i>Checking account balance</i> 7/1/2024	\$ 14.37
0 deposits	\$ -
0 checks	\$ -
Service fee	\$ -
Balance 7/31/2024	\$ 14.37

Financial Secretary report:

<i>Income for July 2024</i>	<i>Monthly Income</i>
50/50	\$ 25.00
Monthly Total	\$ 25.00
<i>Building Fund for July 2024</i>	<i>Monthly Income</i>
Balance 7/1/2024	\$ 491.73
TYD Total	\$ 491.73
<i>Expenses for July 2024</i>	<i>Monthly Expense</i>
Matt Walsh refreshments	\$ 11.22
Jim Guth, 200 postage stamps	\$ 135.50
Jim Guth, 2 yr website security	\$ 199.98
Monthly Total	\$ 346.70

Raffle Income & Expenses	
<i>Balance 7/1/2024</i>	\$ 14.37
Income and expenses	\$ -
Balance 7/31/2024	\$ 14.37

There are 66 associates, 64 insurance, and 4 inactive members. 134 total. The Officer's report and semi annual audit were received. The service program personnel report is showing as outstanding.

Membership:

- There is one new E-member. Tramain Watkins. A motion was passed to bring him into the Council. The exemplification is to be scheduled.
- It was mentioned that this year's quota for new members to the Council is eight.

Life:

- SK Curt was not present but it was mentioned by the GK that the 40 Days for Life begins Sept. 30th.

4th Degree:

- SK Jim Guth reminded the Assembly members present that the Assembly meeting will be next Monday.
- A Blue Mass will be held on Tuesday Sept. 10th, noon, at Queen of Heaven Church. The Color Guard has been requested.
- SKs Ron K and Jim took a cake and punch to the VA Hospital. The cake had American flag icing. The staff was very receptive. Eight Assemblies are involved in this program. The next one for Assembly 3309 is scheduled for March 2025.
- The next 4th degree exemplification is scheduled for Sept. 14th at St. Jude Thaddeus. This is an in person only event.
- There will be a flag placement ceremony at Vista Verde, Sept.10th ad 6:45 AM.

Insurance:

- The next insurance webinar is Sept. 10th at 5:30 PM.

District Deputy:

- No report

Ongoing/Current Business:

- By-Laws Update
 - SKs Jimm, Tom, and Philip correlated all copies of the by-laws into a single, matching document.
 - There were items contained within the older by-laws that did not match the Supreme mandated templates have been assembled into a document named Standard Order of Procedure
 - The Standard Order of Procedure will be presented at the August

membership meeting, posted online, and voted on in the September membership meeting

- Recruiting and engaging younger Knights.
 - The informational meeting is scheduled for Aug. 10th at 5:00 PM in the Parish Hall
 - Currently there are 4 participants
 - Possibly offer to purchase shirts for new members during certain membership drive periods
- Steubenville follow up essays.
 - Three essays were received.
 - The GK followed up a second time for the other two attendees.
 - The essay will be read, one at a time at future council meetings.
 - Katy, from the office sent a thank you, which the GK read.
- Supporting Steve Chavez with memories of David Chavez.
 - Currently we have only 4 responses.
 - One more request was sent out.
- Infirm Knights Check In.
 - This is included into the Standard Operating Procedures document.
 - The Welfare Committee needs a leader.
- Parish Fiesta
 - Will be Saturday, Sept. 14th after the 4:00 PM Mass
 - The plan is to start cooking around 2:00 PM and have the volunteers eat at 4:00 PM.
 - Have all the food cooked by 5:00 PM
 - The Knights will be cooking burgers and hot dogs.
- Procession
 - August 15th - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 - Looking for volunteers to hold the bier during the procession.
- State Organizational Meeting
 - Aug. 10th 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
 - SKs Ron K and Frank will be our representatives.
- PDL is hoping to raise \$20,000 to create video promotions.
 - Pledge levels of \$2,500 and \$5,000. This is beyond the Knights financial means but we will continue to support as in the past.
 - If any individual wants to donate, they may.
- The Knights of Columbus are helping with the vocation shortage.
 - A mini-conference will be on Tuesday August 13th at Risen Savior from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.
 - SK Ron K is our representative. If someone else is interested they are welcome.
- SK Tom mentioned that the Council earned the Founder's and Columbian awards.

Upcoming Business:

- Parish Fiesta
 - Saturday Sept. 14th after the 4:00 PM Mass.
 - The Knights will be cooking burgers and hotdogs
 - Cooking will start early in the afternoon so that the food is prepped by the end of the 4:00 PM Mass.
- Corporate Communion will be on Sunday, September 29th at the 10:30 AM Mass
- Burrito Sale: Next one possibly Sep. 21st or Oct. 14th
- Future Processions
 - Our Lady of the Rosary on Oct. 7th
 - Immaculate Conception on Dec. 9th
- Craft Fair
 - Will be October 25 to 27th.
 - The cost for sellers is \$50 per table.
 - There will be 27 tables this year and all the tables are sold.
 - SK Mark spoke to more details.
- Trunk or Treat
 - Will be Saturday Oct. 26th after 4:00 PM Mass.
 - It will be in the North parking lot if possible.
 - There is a possibility of a food truck being there.
- Thank you to the Parish Flier
 - This was created by WDGK Ron K.
 - We have received permission from Fr. Leo to hand these out.
 - They will be handed out at Masses on a future weekend as a thank you to the Parish. There is a QR code on the flier directing them to the Council.
 - There is a need for about 10 Knights for passing them out.
- Archbishop's Letter
 - All priests will read a letter about the Knights to their parishes. This is a work in progress.
- New fundraising ideas are welcome.

Good of the Order:

- Knight of the Month: Was presented to Jim Guth.
- Family of the Month: SK Ernie and Susan Marques.

Lecturer Reflection:

- "What I Asked For" was presented.

The closing prayer was led by the Grand Knight.

The meeting was closed by the Grand Knight at 8:06 PM.

Attest: The minutes are respectfully submitted by the Recorder on 8/10/2024.