

Knights of Columbus
Schwenksville Council 15456
Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 7, 2022

- **Call to Order:** Worthy Grand Knight John Russo
 - The Council was called to order at 7:03 PM by the Worthy Grand Knight with 25 in attendance.
- **Opening Prayer:** The Lord's Prayer was recited by all
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited by all
- **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:**
 - A motion was made by Les Reazor to approve the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved.
- **Chaplain's Message:** Worthy Chaplain Fr. Brandt
 - As Lent draws to a close, we are appreciative of the Knights' support of the parish's devotions and liturgies, their support of the Helping Hands ministry, and for those suffering in Ukraine. We continue to keep them in our prayers.
 - Electricity was turned on in the Ministry Center on Monday night. Flooring, walls, and ceilings are done. April 22nd will be the inspection for a Certificate of Occupancy. Our fiber optic connection needs to be moved from the Education Center to the Ministry Center. A June 4th dedication and open house are planned.
- **Grand Knight's Report:**
 - Thank you to Eric Cox, Terry Quain, Dave Tulli and Charlie George for their participation in Stations of the Cross a few weeks ago. It turned out be a very nice evening.
 - Congratulations to Terry Quain for his new role as Vice President at Spring-Ford Project Outreach.
 - Items for Trustees to follow up on:
 - Talk to the Principle about the Scholarship Offering
 - Find out how many children are graduating so we can provide rosaries.
 - We are looking for 6 men and 6 women to have their feet 'washed' during the Holy Thursday Mass at 7:30pm.
 - We have a request for the Knights to be present at the Good Friday service at 3pm. We ask that two Knights hold the cross and two Knights stand next to them with candles as the congregation comes forward to venerate the cross. Participants should be in the Vesting Sacristy at 2:40pm.
 - There is adoration in the Chapel from 8:30 to 11:00pm on Holy Thursday, and on Good Friday from 9:00am to 3:00pm, when we begin the Liturgy of the Passion and Death of Our Lord.
 - At 10:45pm on Holy Thursday we will have Night Prayer (this takes about 15 minutes) with Deacon Lou Hoelzle.
 - On Good Friday at 9am, we will have Morning Prayer (this takes about 15 minutes) in the Chapel with Deacon Lou Hoelzle.
 - Trunk hopping down the bunny trail on Sunday April 10th, at STC parking lot. We need your trunk! Volunteer to pick a theme, decorate the trunk of your car, fill eggs to give out, and drive over to the bunny trail at STC parking lot. Attendees will vote for their favorite trunk. Winner will receive a family gift basket valued at \$100. Contact Terri Russo at tnlr711@aol.com
 - The Adopt-A-Highway event scheduled for this Saturday has been re-scheduled for Saturday, April 30th. This will have our clean-up coincide with Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Month, which is April.

- Elections: Nominations will be made at our May meeting. Chancellor and Recorder positions are available.
- If anyone borrowed our sashes for a recent event, please let me know. We are going to have to reorder some if we cannot locate our current ones.
- We are still in need of a District Deputy. If anyone is interested in filling this role, please see the Grand Knight.
- **Financial Report:** Worthy Grand Knight John Russo on behalf of Treasurer James McKeon
 - The Treasurer's Report is attached to the bottom of these minutes.
- **Membership Report:** Worthy Membership Director Jeff Beck
 - A motion was made by Jeff Beck to accept Vincent Cipollone and Christopher Rodican as new members of our Council. The motion was seconded by Dave Tulli and passed by majority vote. The new members introduced themselves to the Council.
- **Programs and Committees:** Dave Tulli
 - Worthy Faith Director Phil McGavin: Six members of our Council attended the Man Up Philly conference at Immaculata College. It was a great facility for the event, with excellent speakers and about 3,000 men in attendance.
 - Knights continue to lead the Rosary on Sundays at 10am in the Chapel.
 - Sacramental Gifts (Roses for Baptism) – Dennis Wright
 - We are averaging 10 to 12 Baptisms per month. We have five this month and are fully scheduled. This is our third year running the program, with about 80 to 100 Baptisms per year.
 - We will be providing a crucifix and prayer book for the RCIA candidates.
 - Worthy Family Director Terry Quain:
 - Food for Families – Daily Bread Community Food Pantry – Charlie George. We will be giving out gift cards at the end of May or June. We will see what is needed. Please continue to bring food to the meetings or drop off in Chapel vestibule.
 - Worthy Community Director Dave Tulli:
 - Adopt a Highway – Dave Newlin: Scheduled for Saturday, April 30th at 10am. We do this four times each year. It typically takes about an hour. Contact Dave Newlin for details at d_newlin@yahoo.com
 - Mass Transit – We will continue with our current participant and begin advertising this service again in the fall.
 - St. Mary's Franciscan Shelter - Dave Tulli – We provide a meal on the fourth Saturday of each month.
 - Worthy Life Director Les Reazor
 - We currently have \$2,200 in the Pro-life Fund. A woman who is 21 weeks pregnant needs housing which runs \$500/week at a local hotel. We will contribute \$500 and renew the funds with the proceeds from our Baby Bottle Drive next month.
 - Events: SK Frank Buttero, as reported by John Russo
 - COAL Tickets are still for sale. Proceeds benefit the state scholarship program.
 - Our Tenth Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 23rd. About 55 tickets have been sold, and ticket sales end tonight.
 - Pastor's Cup Golf Outing (Sam Whitehouse): This year will be our 16th annual. It's our largest fund raiser, and we split the proceeds with the parish. June 12th is the date for the event this year.

Contact Fernando Gonzalez or Sam if you want to help. Please consider sponsoring or contacting an organization who would be willing to donate, and bring donations of cheer to our next meeting. <http://pastorscupgolf.org>

- Degree Development: PGK SK John Nimmerichter – We are planning another Exemplification to be conducted at our church.
- Public Relations: no report.
- Fourth Degree: SK Les Reazor
 - A Fourth Degree Exemplification is planned for June 4th.
 - The Assembly is planning a catered Clergy Appreciation event for Thursday, October 27th at STC.
- Insurance Agent: n/a
- District Deputy: n/a
- **Unfinished Business** (motions carried over from previous meetings) – none.
- **New Business** (new motions)
 - \$500 will be given to Birth Right of Pottstown as a passthrough gift. We will renew the funds with the proceeds from our Baby Bottle Drive next month.
 - Phil McGavin made a motion to spend \$285.56 for RCIA gifts (crucifix and prayer book). The motion was seconded by Jeff Beck and passed by majority vote.
 - Sam Whitehouse made a motion to donate \$499 in Walmart gift cards to Mother Teresa's Helping Hands for Easter. The motion was seconded by Jim Bozzini and passed by majority vote.
 - Jim Banks will order 5 sashes for \$148.90. Since this falls under Council supplies, no motion is needed.
 - A decision is needed for our annual \$500 RSVP donation to benefit a seminarian. This will be taken up at our next meeting.
 - The WINGS group would like to use our Square payment processing for their Mother's Day flower sales. John Russo will take this up with Jim Rowland.
 - Roses and Rosaries are needed for our Sacramental Gifts program. This is covered under Council supplies.
 - Car Show is scheduled for September 10th with a rain date of September 17th.

Item	Amount
RCIA gifts	\$285.56
Walmart gift cards for Mother Teresa's Helping Hands	\$499.00

- **Good of the Order:** Postponed this month.
- **Lecturer's Reflection:** Pete Dolan - Postponed this month.
- **Grand Knight's Summary:** Dates for next meetings are listed below.
- **Closing Prayer:** Prayer for Canonization of Blessed Michael J. McGivney recited by all.
- **Adjournment** ○ Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Upcoming Dates:

- Next General Meeting: Thursday, May 5, 7:00pm. (In Person Only)
- Planning Meeting (Formerly Officer's Meeting): scheduled as needed.
- Service Program Directors' Meetings: scheduled as needed.

Recorded by: Terry Quain

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April 2022 Treasurer's Report

Prepared By: James McKeon

Money In: \$316.63

Money Out: \$4,785.83

General Fund Balance as of 03/31/2022: \$21,508.08

Reserve Fund Balance as of 03/31/2022: \$10,058.22

Pro Life Activities Allocation: \$2,182

Summary of Financial Position:

- Revenue YTD is \$7,427.23 – Note: once Jaylo, Inc. deposits the check for meals that ran through our Square account, this will reflect the true YTD Revenue.
- Expenses YTD is \$5,330.83
- Revenue minus Expenses (Cash Flow): \$2,096.40
- The council is in good financial standing

If anyone would like to see detailed reports, please contact James McKeon at jamesmckeon33@gmail.com