

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Fr. THOMAS A. JUDGE COUNCIL #6893 MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY APRIL 1, 2024

MEETINGS TAKE PLACE IN THE LOWER CHURCH IN-PERSON, AND VIA ZOOM APP. MEETINGS WILL BE MODIFIED AS NECESSARY.

MEETING CTO: 8:05pm: BROTHER FRANK COURTEN was ACTING WARDEN, and Vouched all present in possession of a current membership card. WGK JOHN BECKER led BROTHERS in OUR LORD'S PRAYER, and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. RECORDER OGNO read ROLL CALL of OFFICERS. Excused were: CHAPLAIN EDWARD SHERIDAN; DGK ROBERT DABKOWSKI; WARDEN JOHN MAHON; INSIDE GUARD JOHN KATUSA, and LECTURER Dr. RAY MASCOLO. The MARCH 2024 Meeting Minutes were reviewed. PGK PIROPATO Motioned to ACCEPT the Minutes, which was 2nd by BROTHER MANCINI, and voted UNANIMOUSLY into record.

NEW APPLICATIONS (ED PERILLO): BROTHER PERILLO reported NO NEW APPLICATIONS. OUR WGK informed the Council, after the SOCIAL MEETING, there was 1 via Online PROSPECT TAB, RUDOLPH "RUDY" MAGGIE. WGK Becker received Mr. MAGGIE's email the next morning. He confirmed that JOSEPH DONOFRIO missed the EXEMPLIFICATION at St. ELIZBETH ANN SETON's, but made it online. He plans to attend a Live EXEMPLIFICATION. BROTHER PERILLO introduced a New Transfer, BROTHER ARTHUR SOFIELD. Brothers gave a hearty Fr. Judge Welcome.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT (JOHN BECKER): WGK JOHN BECKER thanked Brothers for a Wonderful MARCH 2024, and to a very busy 1st week of APRIL starts. March 4th was our BUSINESS MEETING. On 3/10 several Brothers participated in St. BALDRICK's Fundraiser, and did quite well. PGK SLINGO will report later. WGK BECKER thanked BROTHER SHORT on the successful Social Meeting 3/18, led by Dr. LYNN O'CONNELL, who lectured about COLORECTAL CANCER PREVENTION, to K of C BROTHERS, COLUMBIETTES and CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of AMERICA. 3/19 was an EXEMPTILIFICATION at St. ELIZABETH ANN SETON's. 6 CANDIDATES made their DEGREES, in which Fr. JUDGE DEGREE TEAM performed the ceremony. 2 Candidates from our council were to make their Degree; BROTHER ROBERT MONDA's father, (but his wife took ill that evening), and BROTHER DONOFTIO. We picked up a PROSPECT through the PROSPECT PAGE. On 3/30, BROTHER's met 10:30am at St. ANTHONY's, to assist COLLUMBIETTE RONNIE BENNARDO with delivery of the EASTER FLOWERS and ALTAR SETUP. During COMMITTEE, BROTHER COURTEN will discuss the Fr. O'LEARY SCHOLARSHIP. Also, COUNCIL ELECTIONS are coming up. Any 3rd DEGREE BROTHER in GOOD STANDING with the COUNCIL, may DECLARE their INTENTIONs to RUN, by sending a LETTER or EMAIL to the NOMINATING COMMITTEE: PGK SANICOLA; PGK NORTON and BROTHER BOYLE, by 4/26/24. WGK BECKER informed BROTHERs that APRIL will be a BUSY MONTH, with a BUSY 1st WEEK to start. The BUSINESS MEETING is tonight. On 4/3 @ 6pm, VOLUNTEERS will meet in the LOWER CHURCH for the FEAST RAFFLE STUFFING & MAILING. "MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK". WGK BECKER noted last year's gathering of KNIGHTS, COLUMBIETTES and CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS was completed by 8pm. This WEEKEND, 4/6-7, is the COUNCIL's RECRUITMENT drive. WGK BECKER wants to "strike while the iron's hot". We will have no SPEAKERS, but announcements, made at all MASSES. The COUNCIL will have a table in the back of the Church, with OUR BANNERS, PULL-UP SCREENS, and QR CODES, in addition to e Fr. O'LEARY RAFFLE Tickets & JIMMY BUFFET PARROTHEAD PARTY Tickets. PLEASE SIGN-UP on the 2 CLIPBOARDS. Both Events have been in the BULLETIN & KNIGHT LIGHTS. PGK FITZGERALD shared that our WC SHERIDAN request we reach out to the PARISH's HISPANIC BROTHERS. OUR WGK suggested having PGK DD-5th DISTRICT / and LIAISON for NYS MULTICULTURAL COMMISSION, GUILLERMO JIMENEZ, speak at the 8:15am SPANISH MASS. OUR WGK hopes to recruit many POTENTIAL CANDIDATES too, noting COLUMBIETTE ERICA RAMOS, is trying to get DEACON MARIO GOMEZ to join, in order to help with LANGUAGE BARRIER CONCERNS. Last year, BROTHERs CHRISTIAN & SEGUNDO, do not attend Council Meetings, but help out with the FEAST and other EVENTS.

Also, this same weekend, Fr. JUDGE COUNCIL HOSTS the SC CHAPTER (SCC) COMMUNION BREAKFAST, after the SCC COMMUNION MASS, originally set for 4/20, but moved to 4/7/24, after the 9:30am, in TRINITY REGIONAL SCHOOL GYM. The SCC is handling the entire HOT & COLD BUFFET. BROTHERS are needed for SET-UP/CLEAN-UP: 12 Round Tables and Chairs for 75-100 people, with 3 tables for Food Serving, and use of the KITCHEN coffeemaker. WGK BECKER will check with the WC SHERIDAN & the Rectory to see how soon BROTHERS can enter the GYM. We are looking at 4/6. The BREAKFAST is \$10. PGK PIROPATO reminded BROTHERS that 4/7 is HOSPITALITY SUNDAY, provided by the COLUMBIETTES. PGK FITZGERALD added that the PARISH EASTER EGG HUNT also takes place after the 9:30am MASS. WGK BECKER informed BROTHERS why 4/7 ended up like this, because the BLUE MASS is 4/21, which was SPLITTING the FOCUS of the MASS and COMMUNION MASS. WC SHERIDAN wanted to be available for both, after upon returning from the PILGRIMAGE he will be going on, and wouldn't be back until 4/18. He chose 4/7 himself, aware of the PARISH ACTIVITIES 4/7. BROTHER FLINN will be available to assist. OUR WGK will be sending out an email.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE (REV Fr. EDWARD SHERIDAN): Acting WC MSGR. MIRRO reminded members that Christ wasn't RESURRECTED from the DEAD to make us GOOD PERSONS, but to make us NEW PERSONS. The RESURRECTION is a NEW LIFE, that we only experience during HIGH POINTS of OUR LIVES. Everytime Brothers adhere to the PRINCIPLES of the K of C, we participate in the NEW LIFE of the RESURECTION. We gained this through OUR BAPTISM. We earn NEW LIFE as we LIVE GOOD CATHOLIC LIVES. We EARN ETERNAL LIFE as we do the works of the K of C, which helps BROTHERS become BETTER CATHOLIC MEN. This NEW REALITY is through the BODY of CHRIST, of the CATHOLIC CHURCH. WC MIRRO stressed importance of Brothers living that life as often as we can.

TREASURER'S REPORT (JOSEPH SUSCO): TREASURER SUSCO reported the 1st Quarter ended 3/31/24, and will provide the QUARTERLY REPORT at the next meeting.

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS/RECORDER (MARIO OGNO Jr.): RECORDER OGNO reported having no communications. He shared that his son-in-law, BROTHER ALTAMURA went to MARITIME COLLEGE with NYPD OFFICER DILLER. They were friends, whom he spoke highly of.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT (JOHN W. PIROPATO): WFS PIROPATO reported the need to put create a RETENTION COMMITTEE, to contact those BROTHERS who have not paid their dues for 2023-2024 Fraternal Year. OUR WGK is looking for 7 members to form the Retention Committee, to make phones to these brothers to see how the council can help them, if they are in hardship.

AUDITORS/TRUSTEES REPORT (1 YR TRUSTEE ROBERT SLINGO PGK FDD PCC; 2 YR TRUSTEE RICHARD FITZGERALD PGK CDD; 3 YR TRUSTEE RICHARD BOYLE): TRUSTEE BOYLE reminded the Council of the request received last Business Meeting, from CHANCELLOR DEE, for the GIFT of LIFE LONG ISLAND. They are running a RECEPTION and DINNER. Tickets are \$175. Last year Fr. JUDGE Council bought 1 ticket. This will be brought up during GOOD of the ORDER. Also WGK BECKER reported that he was bringing up a 2nd donation request, by BROTHER ALTMURA, requesting a donation to the FAMILY of NYPD OFFICER DILLER.

COMMITTEES ROUNDTABLE (PROGRAM DIRECTOR KEVIN KLEIN): CHANCELLOR DEE informed the COUNCIL that the next BLOOD DRIVE is WEDNESDAY, 7/3/24 from 3pm-7:30pm, in the LOWER CHURCH. DONARS receive MET TICKETS. Please see the FLYER in KNIGHT LIGHTS for details. PGK PIROPATO shared the past success of Joint COLUMBIETTE-K of C DANCES. This one will be no different. The JIMMY BUFFET PARROTHEAD DINNER DANCE takes place Saturday, 4/27/24, 6pm-10pm, after the 5pm Mass. Tickets are \$35pp, and must be bought ahead of time. None will be sold at the door. BROTHER MANCINI is making the PUNCH. The DJ is booked, and reportedly has a following. At his last gig, he had 2 tables. COLUMBIETTE JACKIE PIROPATO is making BASKETS to RAFFLE, along with the usual RAFFLES and 50/50. They'll be BEER, SODA, PUNCH, COFFEE /TEA & WATER. A splendid time is guaranteed for all. Regarding the Fr. O'LEARY SCHOLARSHIP & RAFFLE Contest, BROTHER COURTEN reported being where we should be with raffle ticket sales. Half of the 150 tickets have been sold, at \$20 apiece. 1st Prize is \$1,000 with 5 - \$100 prizes. The other \$1,500 goes to the ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS: 1st WINNER receives a \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP, and the RUNNER-UP receives a \$500 SCHOLARSHIP. BROTHER COURTEN went over the rules and theme for those new to Fr. JUDGE COUNCIL: How MY CATHOLIC FAITH is INFLUENCING MY LIFE. He introduced BROTHERS CETTA & OGNO as part of his ESSAY READING COMMITTEE. The Essay Contest is open to 8th Grade students of Trinity Regional School and 8th graders in the Religious Education Program entering 9th Grade in a Catholic HS, and any 9th-12th grader already in Catholic HS. Students, who didn't win the 1st time, can try again. CATHOLIC 8th Graders from Public School entering a Catholic H.S. can participate. Participants Relatives do not have to be K of C member. PGK SLINGO noted the St. BALDRICK'S EVENT as SPECTACULAR! Fr. JUDGE COUNCIL raised \$11,931, which he thinks is a new record, as the Team flew through our initial Goal of \$8,000, and Stretch Goal of \$10,000. PGK SLINGO thanked all who donated, including the COLUMBIETTES and Fr. JUDGE COUNCILS. He thanked each SHAVEE by name. PGK SLINGO reported the Fr. JUDGE COUNCIL was the TOP TEAM by far, coming in 1st Place out of 4 teams. Also, 3 of 5, of the TOP 10 SHAVEES were from Fr. JUDGE. WGK BECKER directed BROTHERS to the Council's WEBSITE PHOTO GALLERY, to view over 50 pictures provided by BROTHER MORRISH, and the 1st PLACE TROPHY, held at MILLER'S ALE HOUSE. PGK MALTBY informed BROTHERS that the COUNCIL GOLF OUTING takes place Monday 9/16/2024, at CRAB MEADOW, in the AFTERNOON. The 1st Committee Meeting will be held in the LOWER CHURCH on 4/15/24, at 7pm, prior to the SOCIAL MEETING, then at PGK MALTBY's home thereafter. PGK MALTBY reported and HONOREE needs to be picked, and the price has gone up from \$155 to \$175, due to the TOWN of HUNTINGTON raising the price to golf \$12. \$175 is still a good bargain, compared to other Golf Outings on Long Island, charging over \$200. PGK MALTBY noted all activities as usual will take place, including Beer on the Golf Course & Raffles. PGK MALTBY noted it being too cold yet to have the meeting at his home, where as an incentive, he pampers old & new members lavishly with dinner. Please see PGK MALTBY if interested. In finishing, WGK BECKER informed COUNCIL BROTHERS that at the next SOCIAL MEETING, 4/15/24, our LECTURER, Dr. MASCOLO, secured a HOMELAND SECURITY SPEAKER. There will be cake, cookies, coffee and tea.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS: OUR FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR, ROGER SIRANGELO, of OUR LADY of FATIMA ASSEMBLY 4th DEGREE #716, stopped by to invite those 4th DEGREE BROTHERS, of Fr. THOMAS A. JUDGE COUNCIL, who are members of OUR LADY of FATIMA ASSEMBLY, to VOTE in the upcoming ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS. The ELECTIONS take place at: ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, 35 NORTH SERVICE ROAD, DIX HILLS, NY, on WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024. This is OUR FN's HOME PARISH. FN SIRANGELO shared wanting to be the FATIMA ASSEMBLY's FN for 1 more term, and asking Fr. JUDGE 4th DEGREE MEMBERS, to consider him once again. PGK FITZGERALD, who is the ASSEMBLY's FAITHFUL PILOT, clarified the dates and time. REPAST begins at 7pm, with the BUSINESS MEETING 8pm. Also, there will be a TESTIMONIAL DINNER for PFN PAUL Di OREO, at the SONs of ITALY LODGE, 5/14/24, in DEER PARK, \$60pp. If interested please contact PGK FITZGERALD.

INSURANCE REPORT (THOMAS FARRELL): There was NO INSURANCE REPORT.

LECTURER'S REFLECTION (DR. RAYMOND MASCOLO): There was NO LECTURER'S REFLECTIONS

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (WILLIAM P. MURPHY): WDD MURPHY began by wishing COUNCIL MEMBERS and OUR LOVED ONES a BLESSED and HAPPY EASTER SEASON; CHRIST IS RISEN. He brought GREETINGS from OUR SUPREME KNIGHT PATRICK KELLY, and STATE DEPUTY ANTHONY IPPOLITTO. WDD MURPHY reported Fr. THOMAS A. JUDGE COUNCIL in GOOD STANDING, due to our AUDIT was RECEIVED, and PER CAPITA PAID. He presented a copy of the D9 PROSPECT TAB as of 3/29/24. D9 reached 69% of the New Members Quota. 8 members were recruited in March, bringing D9's total to 27 new members district wide. D9's Quota is 39, with 12 members currently in the PROSPECT TAB. Fr. JUDGE had 2 gentleman, in which 1 joined online. WDD MURPHY is encouraging D9 Councils to reach out to those on the PROSPECT TAB, which will aid D9 in reaching it's quota. At his next DD MEETING, WDD MURPHY wants to discuss hosting an EXEMPTIFICATION, either April or May, and will be available to aid and assist D9 Council's efforts. WDD MURPHY shared the following important dates: 4/7/24, the SCC COMMUNION BREAKFAST, at St. ANTHONY's for \$10, after the 9:30am Mass. Please contact WDD if interested. On 4/12/24, the SCC meets at CHRIST the KING, in COMMACK. 7pm is Repast, with BUSINESS MEETING 8pm. On 4/28/24 the, SCC is HOSTING the SPRING PILGRIMAGE to the SUPREME COUNCIL in NEW HAVEN, CONN.: to St. MARY's CHURCH and the K of C Museum. Mass will be celebrated @ 10:30am. Pick-up points are EXIT 63 @ 7:30am, and EXIT 49 at 7:50am, on the LIE. The cost is 40pp. Please contact JOSEPH FONTANA or GENE JOHANN if interested. 5/19/24 is the ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE to the SHRINE of OUR LADY of the ROSARY, in EASTPORT, NY. The ROSARY begins at 10am, with MASS @ 11:30am. This year, at the request of Fr. HUGH, a PICNIC will take place. On 6/30/24, the SCC CHARITY BALL takes place @ the MEADOW CLUB in PORT JEFFERSON STATION, 12:30pm-5pm. Contact RESERVATIONS CHAIRMAN PAUL VASILIO, if interested. OUR WDD had CHARITY RAFFLE BOOKS for sale. Each book has 15 tickets, at \$1 er ticket. The drawing takes place at the event. \$5 is to be returned to SCC, with the difference staying with your council, for CHARITABLE WORKS. On 5/25/24, the NYS COUNCIL is having a FUNDRAISER for CATHEDRAL PREP HIGH SCHOOL in NYC, by offering tickets to a MET GAME: METS vs SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS, at CitiFields. Tickets are \$60pp. Contact TONY VESCO. The next DD MEETING 4/16/24, is tentatively at St. PHILIP & JAMES, in St. JAMES, NY. The STATE CONVENTION at VILLA ROMA will be 5/2-5/4/24. WDD stated D9 is FULLY SAFE ENVIRONMENT COMPLIANT. WDD asked Fr. JUDGE COUNCIL begin focusing on completing FORM SP: the COLUMBIAN AWARD APPLICATION, due 6/30/24. There are 4 categories: FAITH; FAMILY; COMMUNITY & LIFE. The MAGIC # is 16 Points: 4 points per category. The highly PETRA Programs are 2 points each, and the remainder are 1 point each. WDD MURPHY encouraged Fr. JUDGE COUNCIL to REVIEW our 10784 FORMS, to begin working on the SP7. He stated confidence with all of our COUNCIL's activities, we should do well, and he is available to assist. WDD MURPHY brought COMPLIMENTARY LITANY PRAYER CARDS, from Fr. SEYFRIED COUNCIL #821, celebrating St. JOSEPH, and St. JOSEPH the WORKER, who's Feast Days are 3/19/24, and 5/1/24 respectively. He will gladly provide any Brother who wants one. Also, on behalf of the SC BOARD of DD, they are raffling off a BASKET of CHEER, to raise funds for their CHARITABLE Endeavors. Raffles are \$5PT, being sold the Month of April, with the drawing 5/28/24. WDD MURPHY ended by being available by TEXT, EMAIL or PHONE.

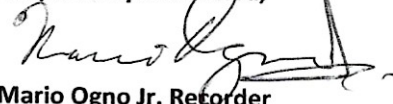
GOOD OF THE ORDER (CHANCELLOR CHRISTOPHER DEE): Before proceeding to GOOD OF THE ORDER, the SICK & DECEASED LIST of Fr. JUDGE COUNCIL MEMBERS, FAMILIES & FRIENDS was updated. MSGR. MIRRO lead BROTHERS in 3 HAIL MARYs. BROTHER BUSCEMI reported that on 3/23/24, over 100 New 4th DEGREE BROTHERs were brought into the 1st DISTRICT. He reminded BROTHERS, of need for GUARDSMEN. BROTHER BUSCEMI is the LIAISON for GUARDSMEN. The COUNCIL voted on he following donation: GIFT of LIFE - \$175. PGK FITZGERALD made the motion, which was 2nd by BROTHER FINK, which passed UNANIMOUSLY. Also, OUR WGK out forth the discussion at the OFFICER's MEETING, to donate a \$300 EASTER GIFT to SVDP, to replenish their coffers. He reminded Brothers, the Council gives large gifts at Thanksgiving and Christmas, with a smaller gift at EASTER. PGK PIROPATO made the MOTION, 2nd by BROTHER MANCINI. WGK BECKER brought up suggestion by BROTHER ALTAMURA, to consider a donation to the FAMILY of slain POLICE OFFICER DILLER. He went to MARITIME COLLEGE with PO DILLER. BROTHER ALLIBRANDE pointed out this is a good suggestion, however, since the NYPD and the COMMUNITY at LARGE, has already saw to it that the FAMILY will be taken good care of for LIFE, that the COUNCIL considers finding someone else more in need of a donation. The discussion was tabled for another meeting.

GRAND KNIGHT'S SUMMARY (GRAND KNIGHT JOHN BECKER): WGK BECKER gave the FINAL BLESSING, and directed PGK SLINGO to lead the Council in the K of C FINAL ODE. The 50/50 winner won \$70.

CLOSING: The next BUSINESS MEETING is MONDAY 5/6/24 @ 8PM, with REPAST 7:15PM.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED at 9:06pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


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