

Knights of Columbus
Father Downey Council #4934
Council Business Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 18, 2023

A quorum was met, the meeting was called to order by DGK David Montgomery, at **7:05 pm.**

1. "OPENING CEREMONY PER RITUAL"

- Members in attendance: **(31)**
- Members on Zoom: **(5)**
- Number of guests in attendance: **(0)**
- Dignitaries in attendance: **(3)**

2. Officers Reports:

- **Chaplain's Message** – Fr. Aldrin had no message this evening.
- **Deputy Grand Knight** – David Montgomery message will be made part of his report as Program Director of the Faith in Action Program.
- **Chancellor** – Patrick Clark had no report at this time.
 - An important reminder; new emblmed shirts are available for purchase.
- **Recorder** – John Gawdun reported:
 - Members in attendance were asked if they were receiving my email of "Notification of Meeting Minutes" posted on council's website and the yea response was overwhelming.
 - Minutes from the Councils' Business Meeting held August 21, 2023 were approved as written.
- **Treasurer** –John Martens reported: \$29,534.96, in checking and all bills paid to date.
- **Financial Secretary** – Stoney Fraley reported:
 - One CD matured and was reissued as a 12-month CD providing 5.45% interest still maintaining the (4) CD ladder with a CD maturing every 3 months.

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- Motion to withdraw \$5,000.00 from Edward Jones Cash Account and combine it with \$18,000.00 from the closed Asset Mark Account into a new 60-day CD at Edward Jones. When CD matures it will be earmarked for the New Budget Line Item – Church Renovation.

- ❖ Motion brought to floor by: Bob Cochrane
- ❖ Motion 2nd by: Dave Cevasco
- ❖ Motion approved

- Motion to add a New Budget Line Item – COR Program with a \$1,000.00 budget.

- ❖ Motion brought to floor by: John Martens
- ❖ Motion 2nd by: Richard Ross
- ❖ Motion approved

- **Advocate** – Frank McCarron had no report at this time.
- **Warden** – Shane Harrington had no report at this time.
- **Trustees** – John Pitera, Sr. / Allen Spence / Danny Aloise had no report at this time.

3. Membership Report – Patrick Clark reported:

- One new transferee, Ron Valeo, Life Member, voted on for acceptance into our council.

- ❖ Motion brought to floor by: Patrick Clark
- ❖ Motion 2nd by: Gary Conroy
- ❖ Motion approved

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4. Faith in Action Programs – Program Director, David Montgomery:

Searching for a chairperson to complete the term as Chair of the Community Programs. Our Brother Stoney who is also our Financial Secretary needs to be relieved from some of his responsibility.

- **Faith** – Charles Farrell reported:
 - An important reminder that every Saturday between 9:00 am – 3:00 pm “Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament” is open to all in the Chapel.
 - A perpetual reminder that Fr. Aldrin and registered Eucharistic Ministers will be available to provide the Holy Eucharistic to any home bound Brother or family member. Call the church office.
 - An informative verbal report was given on the C. O. R. program and that the 2nd meeting will be held on September 20th at Sacred Heart’s social hall.
 - Brother John Peteria, Sr, the liaison between the parishioners and the Diocese reminded us that The National Eucharistic Revival is a full year program and still in the works. Check the banner in the narthex of Sacred Heart. A banner has been ordered for St. Gerard.
 - An important reminder of the Bible Study groups in action, see the bulletin for dates and times.
 - A very important reminder of the Veteran’s dinner coming up on Saturday November 4th with the honoree being our own Brother SK Arthur Hobbs. Our Worthy Grand Knight and Worthy Treasurer has tickets.

- **Family** – Patrick Clark reported:
 - An important reminder from previous meeting; It’s important that all brother’s working with small children complete the “Safe Environment Training Program” which can be done on line in a matter of minutes and upon completion your certificate can be

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printed out. Also, must be fingerprinted, see Ella in the church office to set-up an appointment.

- The soccer challenge for the students of SHS was completed today, September 18th. Rankings of high scoring players will be reported at a later time.

- An important reminder from previous meeting; Reviewing the possibility of holding a “Rosary Rally” next year, somewhat similar to what OLOH Council #8086 does.

- **Community** – Stoney Fraley reported:
 - Community Hot Meals Program (CHMP) our council is scheduled for Monday October 30th.

- **Life** – Richard Ross had no report at this time.

5. Review Schedule – Leo Decker, Grand Knight reported:

- OLOH Assembly 2794 meeting September 28th, 7:00 pm.
- Next Officers' Planning / Business Meeting October 9th, 6:00 pm.
- Next Council Business Meeting October 16th, 7:00 pm.
- Faith in Action Schedule for remainder of 2023 has been emailed out to all the members.

6. Unfinished Business: - Leo Decker, Grand Knight reported:

- Phill the Box – collects clothing, foot wear, etcetera returning our council 20 cents per pound. We've collected over \$14k since inception.

7. New Business: - Leo Decker, Grand Knight reported:

- An important reminder; Volunteers needed Monday afternoon/evenings, 3:30 pm – 7:30 pm, as grill masters for Bingo. Prep through clean-up.
- Another important reminder; Looking for two 4th Degree Brothers to step up and join the Color Corp.

- Coats for Kids
- SHS Christmas Art Challenge in October – judges needed

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8. Field Agent – Jim Booritch, Field Agent not in attendance.

9. District Deputy – John O'Malley's report is on page **7**.

10. Fourth Degree – Bob Gillikin, Faithful Navigator's report is on page **8**.

11. Drawings -

600 Club – 2023 drawing:

50 / 50 drawing:

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Ticket #

(294) \$50 – Tammy & Tanya

Charles Farrell

(449) \$100 – Chase Barry

(247) \$150 – Kadie Goldberg

Winners drawn by Joe Kennedy

Roland Medeiros

12. Good of the Order -

- **Lecturer's Reflection** – Steve McDaniel is not in attendance.

13. Upcoming Awards for Members & others – Leo Decker, Grand Knight

- **Knight of the Month for September** – Laddie Duchon
- **Family of the Month for September** – John & Jacqy Gawdun

14. Names of Brother Knights or Immediate Family of Brother Knights that requested to be added to our council's prayer list: – Leo Decker, GK

- See our council's website for a list of Brother Knights and immediate family members requesting prayers.

15. Grand Knight's Summary: - Leo Decker, Grand Knight

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- o I want to thank you all from the bottom of my heart for all that you did and continue to do for our Parish, School, and Community. Our Council has grown and expanded our charitable efforts this year like never before. We kept discovering new ways to raise funds so we could help others.

16. Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney:

17. "CLOSING CERMONY PER RITUAL"

Meeting was adjourned at **7:55 pm**

John Gawdun, Recorder
I'm Proud to be a Knight

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Greetings on behalf of Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and State Deputy Rick Hughes

We took part in a joint meeting with D18. Eight representatives from 8086, one from 4934.

Cor D20 initiative a big success – 43 knights shared among three councils (4934 had 16, host Epiphany 15, 8086 had 12). Next Sacred Heart on Sept. 20, OLOH Oct. 18.

Big projects – 8086 Ducks on Oct. 15, Harvest Dinner Dance Oct. 21. Also pet blessing Oct. 7, Faith in Action medley Oct. 21

4934 Trunk or Treat Oct. 27, Picnic Nov. 12

12569 picnic Oct. 1, Car Show Nov. 18

2794 Vet dinner Nov. 4 (Sacred Heart 36 tickets)

Fraternal benefit nights: need two nights, total of 14 unique membership-eligible men. Start planning now to avoid the last-minute rush.

St. Joseph Icon returning: Downey April 23-29; 8086 April 30-May 6; Epiphany May 14-20

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- An important reminder; The first Thursday of each month at the Emory L. Bennet Nursing Home in Daytona, in-person bingo. There are thirty-two veterans and each one is in a wheelchair and can use some assistance with the bingo cards.
- Another important reminder; For all the 3rd Degree Brothers looking to step up to the 4th Degree, Patriotism, mark your calendars; the next 4th Degree Exemplification will be Saturday November 25th in Orlando. A Form 4 will need to be filled out, see the Faithful Navigator or our Chancellor.
- Another important reminder; “The Stars Program” taking retired flags and removing the stars, placing them in a baggie with a prayer card and handing them out after Mass on Veterans Day for donations only. Money raised will go to the Gary Sinise Foundation which aids our returning Vets.
- Our Flag Raising Program honors veterans or family or friends. For \$35 we will raise a flag and create a poster with basic information about those honored with the last line dedicated to those who requested the flag service. Every first day of the month, rain or shine, we raise a new flag and retire the current one. We invite the new family and the previous family to attend. The Assembly has an ad in the bulletin and presently booked through January 2025.
- 4th Veterans Salute Dinner at the OLOH Parish Doors open at 5:00 pm, tickets are \$10 each, Honoree, our own SK Arthur Hobbs, WWII Vet