

Knights of Columbus

Council Members Meeting Minutes

Monday January 19, 2025 at 7:00 pm

A quorum was met; the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by **Grand Knight Nick Stuart**

1-3. Opening Ceremony Per Ritual

- Members in attendance (**47**)
- Members on Zoom (**0**)
- Number of guests in attendance (**0**)
- Dignitaries in attendance (**0**)
- Members reciting the rosary before the meeting (**35**)

- **Recorder** – requested approval of the meetings minutes from the December 2025 members meeting per ritual. The meeting minutes were approved. Recorder also reminded council that there are three clipboards on the table for missing information like an update to the prayer list, if you're not getting members meeting minutes or if you need a copy of our bylaws sheet. Put your name and email there to let us know.
- **Chaplains Messge** – No Chaplins Message.
- **GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

Prior to GKs report, Ms. Carole Suicki gave a breif talk about Alateen which is the teen program version of Alanon that they are starting up. The plan is to have a meeting every Monday night starting February 9th 6:30 to 7:30 at First Presbyterian 509 Magnolia Street, NSB.

Also prior to the GK report, Worthy DD J. O'Malley brought a motion to accept Nick Stuart as Grand Knight and Leo Decker as Deputy. This motion was seconded by acclimation.

Let's keep making it a priority to get new members involved and engaged. We don't want to burn out the same people for everything.

Jim Gonyea, Leo Decker, Mark Cerratani, and Patrick Clark were recognized as having attended the Celebration of Life, where our council members were responsible for \$2250.00 worth of donations.

GK also mentioned that the next Community Hot Meals session will be held on February 16th.

6.1 Correspondence – No correspondence to discuss

6.2 Schedule-

- COR – January 27th at Epiphany @6:30
- CHMP – None in January, February 16th is the next one
- Assembly 2794 meeting January 22nd OLOH

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6.3. Actions-

- Update Insurance forms to cover all Knights Field events - complete
- Locate existing Tootsie roll cases - complete
- Order 5 more Tootsie Roll cases – complete
- Phill the Box issue has been resolved by DGK

6.4. Unfinished business-

Florida State Raffle – our Council has 77 books of tickets to sell. Each book has four tickets in it. The tickets are \$4.00 each or \$10.00 a book, we need to have these sold by the end of February 2026. We get \$4.00 for each book sold.

The **Baby Bottle** program is coming to a close.

Daytona Race Support Rolex 24 weekend schedule was briefed by Joe Adamick, Leo Decker, and Roger Packard. Meet ups at church for caravans, safety concerns, dress codes and other pertinent information was talked about.

Winter Blast (AKA – Raise the Roof III) is rapidly approaching. January 31st and February 1st. We need all hands to help both Saturday night and Sunday. For Saturday we need 2 to make coleslaw at 1200 with another 10 arriving to work at 4:00 pm. Saturday is a catered meal with the Knights serving and cleaning up. Sunday, we need people to set up the grills and start cooking hot dogs and hamburgers at 1100. We need 4 to show up at 9:00 am in the kitchen to prepare the sausage sandwiches. Also looking for people to work the credit card squares. There will be silent and live auctions. Last year Fr. Aldrins painting was the grand prize and it netted \$625.00. Explanatory email will be sent by GK for this event.

Painting of the Knights Hall We'll need Knights to help out with the painting of the Knights Hall when the weather warms up. – Keith Basso is the point man

Casino night - We have \$1000.00 in the budget for the Casino night. That money is currently earmarked to be combined with the school's \$1000.00 and donated to the Casino night. That provides our council and the school "High Roller Status" which has special privileges assigned. There will be reps from the TV stations there as well as people from the Supreme Knights office.

We will be acquiring 30 tickets for Casino night and be selling them here for \$55.00. If more are needed, we will get them from our brothers at 8086.

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b. 6.5 New business

Wheelchair program donations will take place at the end of April 2026

Parish picnic scheduled for end of March 2026 (Palm Sunday)

Super Mania Super Squares will be available for sale. We had 14 winners from the Football Mania cards. We are also considering doing a Sacred Heart pool.

600 Club - The new 600 club tickets have been printed and are ready for sales.
Dan Moran

Tootsie rolls will start the first weekend in February and run through mid-March. Initial sign-up sheets are available. Feel free to text John Ekblom (4070376-6179) with questions.

Stars Supporting Veterans program. We are looking for someone to take over the program.

State Convention Primary are Nick Stuart and Mark Cerratani . Alternates are Leo Decker and John Jankowich. Anyone else may attend. (That's why we need someone to take over the Stars Program)

Fish Fry starts February 20th for 6 weeks followed directly by Parish Picnic on Palm Sunday. This will be another event requiring a lot of Knights to pitch in. More to follow. Time is from 2:00 to 8:00.

Finally, thank you to all that attended the Celebration of Life – 4934 was responsible for \$2250.00 in donations.

- **FINANCIAL REPORT**

7.1 Worthy Treasurer, David Jenkins, please report on the council's financial status.

- The Checkbook balance is \$23,181.15
- The Charge balance is \$1,000
- All bills are paid

7.2 **Council Financial Advisor** – no report

7.3 **Financial Secretary** - From Worthy Financial Secretary Roland Medeiros: please provide complete surveys by the February meeting

7.4 **Trustees** – no report

- **MEMBERSHIP REPORT** – Worthy Chancellor Pat Clark

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Worthy Membership Director brought a motion to the floor for two new members. All motions were seconded by acclamation and the applications were approved. The new members are Louis Muni and Austin Pinzino.

Worthy District Deputy – John O'Malley DD report for January 2025

Happy New Year, and Greetings from Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and State Deputy Mike Gizewski.

The biannual tri-district meeting will be Saturday, Jan. 24, at 9 a.m. at St. Peter's in DeLand. I would urge GKs and key officers from all three D20 councils to attend and share ideas. State Deputy Mike Gizewski and membership director Danny McIntyre will make an important presentation.

Congratulations to Council 8086 for achieving five-star council, along with winning the Fishers of Men Award.

Also, Council 4934 has achieved Star Council, and is working on two-star. Be on the lookout in January for a mailing from state charities with a set of personalized mailing labels. Please consider making a small donation which will help the state's life fund while helping your council meet its objective. This will be the third and final mailing of the year. (Special Olympics and Vocations. Only way to reach every Knight in the state.

Our next Cor meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan., 27 at Epiphany at 6:30 p.m. Our main topic will be the sixth chapter in the life of our Founder, Blessed Father Michael McGivney, Everyone is invited to join us for an hour of prayer, reflection and fellowship. Upcoming sessions are Tuesday, Feb. 24 at Sacred Heart. Since the fourth Tuesday in March conflicts with the major FAITH community justice meeting at Our Lady of Hope, the March Cor will be the fifth Tuesday, March 31st, at OLOH at 6:30.

Our next Fourth Degree Exemplification will be at St. Mark the Evangelist in Tampa on Saturday, Jan. 31, with three candidates from District 20. There will be an outdoor exemplification at Lady la Leche in St. Augustine – under the giant cross – on Feb. 28 at 5:30 p.m. Our Fourth Degree biennial meeting will be Saturday, April 18 at Our Lady of Hope – the first time we have hosted this meeting.

Councils should prepare to elect delegates to the State Convention, now open up until April 1. Must be registered by FS, only then can they register.

Highlights from Midyear Meeting:

Joseph McGivney looking for parishes to host Recovery Sundays, benefiting a guest house for recovering religious with a 90-percent success rate.

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Fraternal survey due Jan. 31.

Faith In Action – Deputy Grand Knight Leo Decker

Reminder: A written report is necessary from each director to be made part of the minutes. Text written report to the worthy Recorder and the Program Director.

Worthy New Faith Program Director - John Jankowich reported that the next COR meeting will be on January 27th 2026. John also quoted Dolly Parton, “ If you want a rainbow you have to put up with a little rain”.

Worthy Family Program Director – Dan Moran please report on upcoming events

Basketball challenge will be held Monday and Tuesday 2/2/26 and 2/3/26. It goes from 8:00am to around 2:45pm. There's a lunch break.

Worthy Community Program Director - Mark Swanson

Community Hot Meals – The next one is February 16th at the First United Methodist Church 310 Douglas NSB. Please arrive by 9:00 am. We are usually done by 1:00. We provided 120 meals and 12 Knights volunteered at the last Hot Meals event.

Bingo - Every Monday we support the grill for Bingo. This supports the SH school. We need 2-3 guys every week to man the grill. There is a dire need of a person to fill in at the grill for the next few months.

Coats for Kids – Knights of Columbus donated a check for \$300

Worthy Life Program Director Rich Ross please give us your report.

Worthy Knights on Bikes - Shane Harrington would like to plan a local NSB ride. He also spoke with the GK of the Cocoa Beach Knights about the Knights on Bikes program.

Worthy Insurance Agent - Jim Boorich not in attendance

Worthy Fourth Degree Representative - not in attendance

- **LECTURER’S REFLECTION Deacon Tom**

I found it interesting in a book that I just read about the Virgin Mary, towards the end, it referenced to the part that Mary “played” in salvation history. It almost

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seems to refer to it in a past tense, rather than saying the part Mary “plays” in our salvation history being written here and today.

One of our previous pastors here at Sacred Heart , Fr. Glen Parker, was once confronted by a Baptist minister who asked him “are you saved”. Fr. Parker, in his wisdom, answered, “Redeemed I am, salvation I am still working on”.

Marys role today is to continue to walk with us on our journey toward salvation. She serves as a model of faith and discipleship, a powerful intercessor (someone who prays for us to God), and a comforting spiritual Mother to believers. She is our guide who leads us closer to Jesus by her example of saying “yes” to God, enduring suffering, and showing love and service.

She embodies holiness in an ordinary life, reminding people that faith and love can transform the world and offering strength through her own personal journey.

She is seen as the ultimate disciple who trusted God's plan, offering courage for others to do the same. Mary is also considered the Mother of the Church, offering a mother's care, offering her ear and her heart to believers in all their need and struggles.

Her role is to lead people to Jesus, not replace Him.

Mary's own suffering and quiet strength make her a source of comfort for those experiencing hardship, as she walked by faith even when she didn't understand.

She shows that holiness is achievable in daily life through love, service, and faithfulness.

Through spiritual devotions like the Rosary and personal prayer, people ask for her intercession and guidance. She is seen as a companion on life's journey, as a source of wisdom, and an inspiration for Christian living. Her life encourages mothers, women, and all believers to be partners with God, offering their lives in service and love.

- **ADVOCATE**- No report

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- **GRAND KNIGHTS SUMMARY**

Continue Volunteering for the different activities. IF there's something you want to do but don't know where what □□ ask- ask- ask- ask. How many new guys are here? How many are involved?

We are into the busy season now and we can only make these activities successful with you so please get involved.

Brandon Snyder of OLOH has joined the Color Corps.

We will have new 600 Club Tickets soon.

- **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

- FAMILY OF THE MONTH AWARD – DeBello
- KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – John Janckowicz
- Drawing for 50-50 – winner John Ekblom, drawn by Mark Burke
- Drawing for 600 Club – drawn by Jeff Jacobsky
 - \$100 winner Chuck Farrell Ticket #036
 - \$200 winner Pat Hynes Ticket #304

- **Prayer List**

- Bill Kelly is coming back to rejoin our council. He left NSB a few years ago after severe flooding in one of the hurricanes
- Fallen away Catholics
- Terry O'Donnell has cancer and is in the hospital
- Stoney Fraley has pneumonia

- **Closing Prayer** and prayer for canonization of Blessed Michale McGivney per ritual

Meeting Adjournment at 8:03 pm. Minutes taken by John Ekblom, Assistant Recorder

Incorporated comments 2/10/26