

Bishop Ruocco Council (9275)

Meeting Minutes, September 3 and September 9, 2024

Council was called to order at 7:00 PM on September 3 (planning meeting) and at 7:00 PM on September 9 (members meeting).

By: Bob Malnati, GK

Prayer was offered by Bob Malnati, GK

Total members at Members meeting on September 9 was 20.

Officers attending:

		Sept 3	Sept 9
Chaplain	Father Fernando Ayala	E	E
Grand Knight	Bob Malnati	P	P
Deputy Grand Knight	Matthew Bartos	P	P
Chancellor	Adam Rypinski	E	P
Warden	Francis Bulman	P	P
Financial Secretary	James Barrows	P	P
Treasurer	David Breen	P	P
Recorder	Bill Pacino	P	P
Lecturer	Ed Ciampa	E	P
Advocate	Gene Bartos	E	P
Inside Guard	Richard Zuppardi	E	P
Outside Guard	Jean Croteau	P	P
Trustee (3rd Year)	Jimmy O'Keefe	P	E
Trustee (2 nd Year)	Lou Soracco	P	P
Trustee (1 st year)	Adam Whitehouse	E	E

P = Present, E = Excused

Guests: District Deputy Paul Sidari

Planning meeting notes

Information from September 3, 2024 planning meeting

Financial condition. projected cash flow and expenses over the next 4 months. Some expenses may need to be trimmed or delayed. Donations to be solicited, Fund raising needed. This is a reality check!

Hold some planning meetings as Zoom meetings

Re-appointment of Financial Secretary

Delta church drive schedule and goals

Protocols for dealing with our parishes regarding scheduling and bulletin announcements

FRATERNAL BENEFIT NIGHT online on Wed Sept 10

Review of participation in BOTH church picnics on Sunday Sept 8

Food for FAMILIES. There is a great deal on tuna from Amazon [83 cents per can]

Painting of St Mary pergola

Possibility of a Clergy Appreciation/roast night.

Possible invitation to State Officers to attend a BRC meeting. What subjects would we address?

Charity candy drive on Oct 5-6. Let's do it right!!

Members Meeting, September 9, 2024

Call to Order: Bob Malnati, GK at 7:00 PM

Opening Prayer: Bob Malnati, GK

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of previous month's council meeting minutes

The minutes of the August 2024 monthly meetings were distributed via email to all council members in mid-June 2024.

There was a motion to accept the minutes; There was a second and all voted affirmative.

The meeting minutes for the past month's meeting are available on the council web page (www.knights9275.com). This is password protected from the public.

User Name = members

password = faithinaction

Applications (to become members of Council)

The preferred way to join the Knights of Columbus is via online. Membership is free through the end of the year 2024. See the website kofc.org/joinus and use code: SWHITE

Grand Knight's Report

- Cost of embroidered council polo shirt is \$25 per shirt
- *Monthly planning and members meeting at Paul Center start at same time – 7 PM.*

Topics covered during reports: Charity ball; Pregnancy care center dinner; Tootsie Roll Drive; M 'n M Drive; New community director needed; upcoming membership drives; Tuna fish in can purchases; diaper drive, Christmas card sales, poster and essay contests; Oct 21 Bertucci's fund raiser; Oct 6 hospitality and pumpkins; Oct 14 Columbus Day member meeting suggestions.

Outdoor picnics, Blessed Trinity and Holy Rood, September 8

National Day of Remembrance of Aborted Children, September 14

Walk for Life, September 14

Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Mother, September 16

COR meeting, September 23

M 'n M drive Charity drive with give-away candy, all churches, Oct. 5-6

Tootsie Roll drive, Oct. 17-19 at supermarkets

Financial Report:

Account Balances (September 9, 2024) – very low

Business account: \$1,161

Charity account: \$630

Membership Report

Star Council designation requires 13 new knights per year

Bills Read and Referred

\$20 for prayer cards

Program Reports, Faith in Action

Supreme-Recommended Program Category Matrix

FAITH	Programs Director: Lou Soracco Faith Director: Paul Sidari Family Director: Jean Croteau Community Director (acting) James Barrows Life Director: Charlie DeStefano Publicity Chair: Matt Bartos Ceremonial Chair: Gene Bartos
RSVP; Into the Breach; Spiritual Reflection; Holy Hour; Pilgrim Icon Program; Building the Domestic Church Kiosk; Rosary Program; Sacramental Gifts	
FAMILY	
Food for Families; Family of the Month/Year; Family Fully Alive; Family Prayer Night; Keep Christ in Christmas; Family Week; Consecration to the Holy Family; Good Friday Family Promotion	
COMMUNITY	
Coats for Kids; Global Wheelchair Mission; Habitat for Humanity; Disaster Preparedness; Free Throw Championship; Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest; Soccer/Hockey Challenge; Helping Hands	
LIFE	
March for Life; Special Olympics; Ultrasound Initiative; Pregnancy Center Support / ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy); Christian Refugee Relief Silver Rose; Mass for People with Special Needs; Novena for Life	

Field Agent’s Report

The owner of the Knights Life Insurance & Asset Company is Matt DiCalogero, who is in charge of all of the Field Agents. Matt, along with office manager Tom Mahan are the persons to call for any insurance questions, especially regarding the Fraternal Benefits Events. Our council does not currently have a Field Agent to replace Steve White, so Matt will be our FA for now, until he recruits some new hires. His office number is 781-769-3277.

District Deputy’s Report

Our District Deputy is Paul Sidari.

Unfinished Business

New Business

St Mary church asked if knights would get involved in the Holy Thursday pancake supper. The answer from GK Bob Malnati was Yes.

Lecturer's Reflection

None

Committee Reports

Sick and Vigil

The following should be kept in our prayers:

Michelle Mosher, daughter of Dave Breen

Ruth Malnati, wife of GK Bob Malnati

Tim Fitzgerald

Luigi Iacoviello

John Miller

George Dixon, visitors welcome

Rev Robert Dzuris, who passed away August 15

Intentions

Get well cards/ sympathy cards – See sick and vigil heading in this document.

Good of the Order

Podcast created featuring GK Bob Malnati answering Knights of Columbus questions by brother knight Declan Reidy, see the YouTube channel for Bishop Ruocco council.

Closing Prayer, led by GK Bob Malnati at 8:45 PM

Meeting minutes prepared by Bill Pacino, Recorder

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