

Knights of Columbus Minutes from Oct. 1st, 2024. Brother Mathias Barrett Council 10560

Wednesday, October 23, 2024 12:41 PM

Grand Knight called meeting to begin at 7:12PM

Opening Prayers were done.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll Call of Officers: All present except:

Recorder: George Allen

Treasurer: Victor Apodaca

Inside Guard: Michael Valdez

1st Year Trustee: Anthony Sanchez

2nd Year Trustee: Santiago Ruiz

3rd Year Trustee: Justin Vollbrecht

Treasurers Report:

Primary Checking: 2661.21

1 Withdrawal: 500.00 (Scholarship)

Balance:	2161.21
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Charity Account: 3680.94

Dividend: .24

Balance: 3681.18

Seminary Account: 550.38

Dividend .03

Balance 550.41

Grand Total: 6392.80

Financial Secretary and Treasurer are to meet later this week to follow up on outstanding checks.

Motion was made to table that discussion on checks till next meeting, motion seconded, carried.

Correspondence:

A notice from Supreme Council informing us we have a balance due of \$281.00

Comprising of \$132 per capita, \$51 for Catholic Advertising, and \$98 for Culture of Life.

So the bill is overdue. The Financial Secretary and the Treasurer have already been in contact over this issue. They plan on having a check sent out by the end of the week.

Grand Knights Report:

There are six prospects in the pipeline in which we need to schedule a ceremony to get them on board. A gentleman called and expressed an interest in joining the Knights. That would up the prospects to seven.

Need some follow-up and bring them on board. We need to schedule an exemplification. Financial Secretary said he would look at the calendar and set a date. Grand Knight Moore said he would get that done.

We did have a booth at the Parish Picnic. Cooked a lot of hamburgers. Another Gentleman expressed his desire to join the Knights, however he is going through some heart issues and is currently going through rehab. After much discussion it is possible that we may have as many as ten prospects to follow up on.

Our mark is at least 7 prospects.

On Sept. 23rd, GK Moore attended a virtual hearing for the estate of Carrie _____, with an understanding that some money would come for the Parish and the Knights of Columbus. The attorney's in the case are waiting for a response from us by Oct. 4th. The amount seems to be about \$5000. That could mean the amount could be split into two \$2500 amounts to go to the Parish and to the Knights. It could be split up in many different ways. The Grand Knight is not sure if the Council needs to vote on it or can he accept or decline the offer himself. He asked for help on this from the Council.

Brother Steve Torres, who has insight on the case, has informed us that the case isn't going too well. There is a rumor that the wife has left the Church and is practicing a new religion out side of Christianity. They are waiting for a ruling from the Judge on what kind of settlement, if any, there will be. Could be tied up for quite a while. If a settlement of \$5000 is offered we should take it. Monsignor Luna has not been informed of the settlement as of yet. He could say no and then we're back to the beginning again. Brother Kevin made a motion to accept the offer if given, with the contingency if Monsignor Luna does not accept we would start over. An amendment was added to split it 50/50 with \$2500 to the Parish and \$2500 to the Knights, less the attorney fees. The Motion was seconded and passed.

GK Moore made sure that we have on our calendar that on Oct. 6th Join Arch Bishop Wester praying for the nation at the Rosary Rally, downtown Albuquerque Civic Plaza, two to three thirty, they will provide rosary's, water, chairs, bathrooms, medical assistance if needed. If you need more info contact Dcn. Tony Rivera, or Dcn. Pat Vena. I will send out meeting notes with contact numbers. If you are a 4th degree with the Honor Guard be there at 1:30pm for instructions.

Look in your mail for a Fraternal Survey. You can do the survey right from the envelope. There's a QR code you can use on your phone, or you can go to www.KofCsurvey2024.org. You'll just need your membership number. This is mainly to update your name, phone number, e-mail address, and other info that may have changed or is incorrect. This is vital to keep the lines of communication open. Takes about 5 minutes to complete.

District Deputy Report

There's not only a Rosary Rally on Sunday but another on Saturday. A Rally at Holy Family at 12:00 noon, on the fiesta grounds at 560 Atrisco Dr.. Please bring your chair. The Rosary Rally will be in Spanish and English.

Safe Environment, two gentlemen need to take safe environment, Clinton Christison and Leonard Medina. Please get that done.

Last year we did really well. We met our membership. We had a CORE meeting. Outstanding. I use this Council as an example. Outstanding job.

We are losing more members then we are getting. We need some young blood to help us continue. State Council went down to Ruidoso. We spent \$30,000 helping The Village of Ruidoso. A lot of the monies we collect go to helping out city and villages that come up against flooding and fires. More is coming, it's just a fact where we live.

A new Council has sprung up in Tucumcari. So that Council is back and running. Working hard to get members back in. We have a new program called Fisher's of Men. What we have learned is that one on one recruiting works best. We ask if you'd like to join the Knights of Columbus. "Oh I don't have the

time", we all know the script. I'm asking Councils to go on the Supreme website and order "FISHER'S OF MEN" material. We only pay for shipping. New materials, prayer cards, etc. Something new to see.

District Deputy Chris was honored to give our Now State Rep., Steve Torres, the Columbian award for last year. Steve also got the Fr. McGiveny award.

Council Committee Reports

Program Director: No substantial changes from last month. Discussion about joining a can goods collection during Advent was brought up. Will check with others to make sure we are all on board. Email will be sent out to all Program Directors to go over traditional and new programs.

Old Business

A doughnut Sunday is scheduled for Oct. 6th. Doughnuts are prepaid. GK Moore volunteered to go pick them at 7:30am. Brother Gene has not been reimbursed for the doughnuts. Amount to be paid to Bro. Gene is \$129.87. Proceeds to go to Bro Leo for his loss in a house fire.

New Business

Brother Gene reminded us about the raffle tickets. Anybody who wants/needs them see him after the meeting.

Blood Drive to be held at the church on Nov. 24th. Sign up online with www.Vitalant.org.

Bro. Steve brought up how we used to help out at the balloon Fiesta, which earned money for the Council. St Judes is now working the Balloon Fiesta and we have been invited to work under them if we'd like. If anyone is interested talk to Bro. Steve Torres.

December 29th is the 5th Sunday, or Rosary Sunday. We need Knights to come in and help recite the rosary before the ten am Mass. Bro. Kevin brought that it is also Holy Family Sunday. In addition to ordering the Fisher's of Men program materials he will so order Holy Family prayer cards where we can give them out in conjunction with that feast day. Knights to be there 9:15AM.

A motion was made for a Lady of the month. Her name is Paula, who helps us with the doughnuts, above and beyond. The motion was seconded and carried. We will get a certificate made and framed for her.

A nomination for Family of the Month was Dcn. Leroy and Beth Chavez, for all the help and work they have done for TMIY program. A motion was made on the floor, seconded and carried.

The Good of The Order

Went over removing Florence Silva and adding the Mariano Salazar family (Grandson of State Deputy).

End of Meeting

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and carried.

Closing prayers were done.

Meeting was concluded at 8:22PM.