

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 13144

Meeting of April 18, 2024

Roll call was taken of officers [P-Present, A-Absent]

Grand Knight/ Dave Cotter [P] Deputy Grand Knight/ Al Fikse [P]

Financial Sec/ Dan Falk [A] Chancellor/ James Kelley [A]

Recorder/ Dennis Abbott [P] Treasurer/ Jerry Bialke [P]

Advocate/ Dick Garoutte [A] Warden/ Jim Schneider [A]

Inside Guard/ William Oneill [A] Outside Guard/Roger Nistler [A]

1 Yr Trustee/ Steve Swor [A] 2 Yr Trustee/ Kirk Lowe [A]

3 Yr Trustee/ Marv Hartneck [A] Chaplain/ Fr [A]

Lecturer/ Jim Clack [P]

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM and was followed by the opening prayer, Pledge of Allegiance and roll call of officers as presented above.
2. The March Meeting Minutes were reviewed and Al made a motion and seconded by Jim to approve the Minutes and the motion passed.
3. Taylor introduced the Third of the “Into the Breach” series, a set of ten minute videos, titled Leadership. A short discussion followed and all agreed that it provided an excellent definition of true leadership.
4. Jerry reported that Fish Fries resulted in total deposits of $4,139 and attendance was down a bit this year which may be the result of not having the first Fish Fry on the first Friday in Lent as in past years. He thinks that some people may have assumed that the Knights were not having them this year, so he proposed that we go back to scheduling the Fish Fry on the first Friday and the Soup Supper on the second Friday of Lent. After discussion all agreed that we need to be involved in the scheduling.
5. GN Dave reported that he is still the only person signed up for State Convention on May 3rd thru the 5th at Breezy Point and he would greatly appreciate having at least one more Knight in attendance.
6. It was agreed that the Knights will pass out Tootsie Rolls after Mass at both churches on fishing opener weekend. Donations collected are for DAC and Taylor volunteered to have signs/posters available at both churches.
7. GN Dave stated that he is collecting money and ticket stubs for the Bemidji K of C Council boat, motor and trailer Annual Raffle and can get additional tickets if desired.

There are 10 tickets per book and tickets are $10 each and the seller keeps 60% of the proceeds.

1. Treasurer Jerry Bialke reported that the Brokerage Account balance was $14,496.82 on 29 March up $356.31 from the beginning of the month. The Scholarship Account balance of $376.16 on 29 March was down $1,000 as a result of a $600 and $400 Scholarship check cashed by Ada Muller. The March General Account ending balance of $10,685.51 was up $2,840.84 as the result of total deposits of $5,033 ($300 in Dues, $3,024 from Fish Fries, $200 from various donations, $265 from the Knights Raffle, $667 from a Pancake Breakfast and $577 from the Soup Super donations) and total payments of $1,992.19 ($500 donation to the Walker Pregnancy Center, $9.98 to Mark’s Market for pancake breakfast supplies, $64.61 to Jerry Bialke for Fish Fry supplies purchased, $160 for American Flags purchased, $727.25 to Sysco for Fish Fry supplies, $371.40 to APG Media for Fish Fry Ads and $158.92 to Knights of Columbus Supreme Per Capita). Denny made a motion and seconded by GN Dave to approve the Treasurer Report and the motion passed.
2. Financial Secretary Dan Falk was not present, but provided the March Voucher Report which included vouchers issued for $371.40 to APG Media for Fish Fry Ads, $64.61 to Jerry Bialke for Fish Fry supplies purchased, $600 donation to the Hackensack Food Shelf, $727.25 and $711.71 to Sysco for Fish Fry supplies, $163.88 and $33.23 to Mark’s Market for pancake breakfast supplies and $9.98 for Soup Super supplies. In addition there were 3 Vouchers to the Knights of Columbus Council Accounts Per Capita ($24.50 for Catholic Advertising, $46 for Culture of Life and $88.42 for Supreme Per Capita).
3. Taylor reported that the COR meeting is occurring on Wednesday mornings after Mass at St Agnes and encourages other men to attend.
4. Taylor stated that he expects all 5 candidates will complete their applications and qualify for scholarships which should be presented by a Knight.
5. Jerry reported that the Clarence Rueter family has requested a Honor Guard at his Interment on June 8th in Hackensack.
6. The Knights will provide the second Faith Formation dinner on May 8 and Taylor volunteered to coordinate the effort and get the food. The cost for the 2 meals will be addressed at the next meeting.
7. Al reminded all that it is time to look at new Officers and it needs to be on the agenda for the next Officers Meeting.
8. A thankyou was received from the Director of Vocations for our support of the Clergy Appeal for the Diocese of Duluth.
9. Prayers are requested for the unborn, Bob and Linda Renowski, Peter Schmitz, John and MJ Warren, Dick and Betty Garoutte, Gene Damaris, Babs Debes, Ken Randall, Rolla Bialke, Jim Kelly, Buck Danielson, Deacon John Zinniel, Andy Bednarczak and family, and Father Tim and family.
10. Next meeting will be on May 16, 2024 at Sacred Heart at 6:00 PM following the 5:30 Mass.
11. Meeting adjourned following the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted by

Dennis Abbott (Recorder)