



**Bishop Michael F. McAuliffe Knights of Columbus Council 12992**  
**Meeting Minutes - April 12, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Grand Knight Dave Gramlich following a fantastic Bar-B-Que chicken dinner prepared by Ray Jansen. Warden Brian Johnson reported all members were in possession of their membership cards. Dave led the council in the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of the Opening Ode. The roll of Officers was read. 11 officers were present. 32 members were in attendance. Minutes of the March 8 meeting were provided for review. A motion was made by Frank Kempker and seconded by Al Rush to accept the minutes as written. The motion passed.

**Chaplains Report:** Chaplain Father Robert Kurwicki reported that the penance services at the Cathedral, St. Peters and Immaculate Conception were well attended. Father's Kurwicki and Seacrist will hear confessions on Good Friday and Holy Saturday beginning at 4 pm each day and ending when all are heard. First holy Communion will be held for 35 children on April 22. Father would like to have the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree honor Guard participate. Confirmation will be held by the Bishop in the Cathedral on April 27. Father complimented Ray on the excellent dinner.

**Grand Knight Report:** Grand Knight Dave Gramlich also thanked Ray for preparing the dinner. We will try to have the dinners before the meetings on a regular basis.

- The jackets are not in yet, but should be soon.
- The Life Team Gathering picnic will be held in Memorial Park on the same day as the chicken dinner. They asked us to provide a meal for them, so we will prepare extra chicken.
- Dave thanked Frank Kempker for lobbying for us to receive the Father Mancuso Fund grant. We were awarded a grant for \$1000 to assist in purchasing bibles for the 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders.
- We are doing well with membership recruitment but need to contact delinquent members. If they are all suspended, we will have to recruit more to meet our goals. Proposers are encouraged to contact the delinquent members.
- The Super Saver cards are printed. Richard Burkemper will handle distribution.
- Al Meyer is organizing work for the State Convention steak dinner on April 21. More help is needed for clean up beginning at 6:00 pm.
- Dave read a thank you from Chaplain Father Kurwicki for our \$200 donation to the Diocesan Vocation Team.
- Dave read another thank you from the Knights at Conception Seminary for our \$100 donation.
- Work on the Habitat for Humanity house is delayed until fall due to busy schedules.
- The Officers meetings will be moved to the cry room due to remodeling of the money counters room. The April 26 Officers meeting will address activities for the 2006-07 Fraternal year.
- Sign-up sheets are provided for upcoming activities. All brother Knights are encouraged to sign up for at least one activity.
- Dave encouraged all to join the Father McGivney Guild.

**District Deputy Report:** District Deputy Richard Clarkston welcomed all to come to the State Convention. There will be a number of hospitality rooms and booths to visit.

- Rich reported we are currently 3 members over our quota and eligible to receive the Star Council Award.
- Rich thanked the Knights who assisted with the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree at Helias.
- We still need to get our Membership Blitz report in and get our nominating committee together for next years' officers.

**Treasurers Report:** Treasurer Doug Porting reported a March receipts of \$759.03 and disbursements of \$668.28 for an ending balance of \$22,061.62 on March 31, 2006. That includes \$200.00 in the change fund and \$8,155.00 in the Building Fund CD. A motion was made by Al Rush and seconded by Dick Hyleck to approve the Treasurers Report as presented. The motion carried.

**Financial Secretary Report:** FS Mark Ruether reported March receipts then read bills totaling \$650.44. A motion was made by Al Rush and seconded by Dick Hyleck to pay the bills as presented. The motion carried. Mark reported 9 new members in March for a total membership of 299 members plus two inactive members.

**Unfinished Business:** Frank Kempker made a motion to donate \$1,000 to the Vitae Society as discussed at the Feb. Meeting. The motion was seconded by Dick Hyleck and passed. (It was noted that ½ the proceeds from the Bar-B-Que will be split between the Vitae Society, BirthRight and Pro-Life Across America).

- May 14<sup>th</sup> is Mothers Day. A motion was made by Jim Purcell and seconded by Doug Porting to purchase flowers to distribute to all mothers at the Mothers Day weekend masses. The motion carried. Frank Kempker will be in charge of getting the flowers.

- The Golf Tournament will be held on June 24<sup>th</sup> at Redfield Country Club. Mark Ruether and Doug Porting are coordinating. We need help soliciting donations.

- Dave brought Project Moses back to the table for a decision on whether we will purchase the granite stone with the 10 commandments engraved on them to display on the Cathedral grounds. After considerable discussion, it was decided to table it for one more month to allow time to look into other options.

- Bill Barnhouse asked that invitations or better advertising is needed to announce and invite brother Knights to the State Convention Banquet since it is being held in Jefferson City. GK Dave Gramlich will make sure this is announced in a more timely manner next year.

- Al Rush discussed the Bar-B-Que. We are adding chicken to the menu this year. We will serve from 10 am - 5 pm on June 3 at the Schulte's parking lot. 6 tickets are being mailed to each member for pre-sales. Al needs help on Friday evening and Saturday morning cooking, serving and delivery. We will charge \$7 for a dinner which will include a pork steak or half a chicken with bread and two sides. We will have Coke products available for purchase.

**New Business:** May 12 is the Spring Fling at the School. They would like to have the KC Clowns there to entertain.

- GK Dave Gramlich reported that we discussed using the proceeds from the chicken dinner to pay the balance of the new bibles for the 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. (The amount not covered by the \$1000 grant from the Father Mancuso fund). A motion was made by Frank Kempker and seconded by Dick Hyleck to use the proceeds from the Chicken Dinner to pay the balance of the cost of the bibles. The motion carried.

- Dave read a request for support of a brother Knight who was paralyzed in a hunting accident. A motion was made by Frank Kempker and seconded by Al Rush to donate \$50 to the John Scheppers benefit. The motion carried.

- Dave read a request from Ginny Bockwinkel, secretary for CHRISTpower 2006 for \$180 to pay for a lunch for this year's CHRISTpower participants. They will do volunteer cleanup for the Carmelite sisters. A motion was made by Al Meyer and seconded by Jim Purcell to donate \$180 to CHRISTpower. The motion carried.

- We received two applicants so far for the Aquinas Academy. They are asking for up to \$350 each to pay for their participation. After some discussion, it was decided to wait to see if any more applications are received by the Officers meeting on April 26. Checks will then be sent to the Aquinas Academy by April 30. A motion was made by Al Rush and seconded by Frank Kempker to donate up to \$1000 total not to exceed \$300 per student for them to attend the

Academy. The motion carried.

- Ken Gartner mentioned that the school is putting on the play Godspell and is looking for advertisers for the program. A motion was made by Ken Gartner and seconded by Doug Porting to donate \$20 for an ad in the program. The motion carried.

**Field Agents Report:** Field Agent Larry Hoelscher reported that annuities are at 4.25% and 4.5% for over amounts over \$10,000. He said that we won the Founders Award for meeting the Insurance quota. Larry is offering incentives for member recruitment. He will provide a Council shirt to anyone who recruits one new member and a Council jacket for any member recruiting 2 or more new members.

- Dave encouraged all members to invite new members to join.

**Good of the Order:** Lewis Hancock and Clarence Denkler.

Dale Highfill was drawn for the 50/50 and Matt Hoelscher was drawn for the attendance prize but was not present, so the it will by increased to \$150 in May.

GK Dave Gramlich lead the Council in the closing Prayer and the Prayer for Vocations. Chaplain Father Kurwicki gave a Blessing and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm with the singing of the Closing Ode.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mike Hoffmann, Recorder