

**St Joseph Council Knights of Columbus Council 12992**  
**Meeting Minutes - August 10, 2005**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Deputy Grand Knight Lewis Hancock. The Council was led in the opening prayer by Fr. Jeremy Secrist and the singing of the opening ode by DGK Lewis Hancock. The roll of officers was read. 22 members, including 8 officers were present. Written copies of the June 8 minutes were provided for review. A motion was made by Frank Kempker and seconded by Doug Porting to accept the minutes as corrected to state that Al Meyer is the 3 year Trustee and Al Rush is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year Trustee. The motion carried.

**Grand Knights Report:** DGK Lewis Hancock read thank you notes from Birthright for our \$100 donation; from Pro-Life across America for \$100 donation; from Julie Gramlich for our donation to VBS; from Samaritan Center for \$50 for school supplies; and from the Bishop for remembrance we sent for Bishop McAuliffe's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination into the priesthood. A letter from the Supreme Council was read congratulating our Council for achieving the Star Council Award.

- A 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Exemplification will be held November 20 at Helias Council
- 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification will be held October 15, 2005 in Springfield and April 1, 2006 in Kansas City.
- A letter was read from Mary, Mother of the Church Council in Laurie Mo inviting all Knights and their families to the Missouri KofC's State Family Pilgrimage at the National Shrine at St. Patrick's Church on Sunday, October 2, 2005.
- The Missouri Catholic Conference will hold their annual assembly celebration faith and freedom in Jefferson City at the State Capital on Saturday, October 1. The Keynote Speaker will be Rev. Dr. Tadeusz Pacholczyk.
- The Cuba Knights of Columbus will have a Steak - Prime Rib night on August 12. 4-8 pm
- Our newsletter was posted on the website
- Our Council has been asked to host a District Financial training at 7:30 on Thursday, August 11. We will provide food and refreshments for Financial Secretaries, Treasurers and Grand Knights. The State Deputy will be in attendance.

**Chaplains Report:** DGK Lewis Hancock read a note from Fr. Kurwicki stating that the parish would not be able to hold the Relay for Life dinner for Frank Kempker due to established guidelines related to use of the undercroft for non-parish fund raising events. Father let Frank know and the event is now set up at the Eagles for November 7. Fr. Secrist passed on thanks to David Gramlich and Joe Pierle for the School cleanup project for all their effort and leadership. Thanks to them and to our Council for sponsoring the painting of the classrooms. He also reported for Father Kurwicki regarding the coffee bar. We decided to table this since GK Dave had talked to Father Kurwicki and the Women's Association is in charge of running and funding the coffee bar. August 21<sup>st</sup> Ministry Sunday. The Knights will have a table under the trophy case.

**Treasurers Report:** Treasurer Doug Porting reported July receipts of \$149.53 and wrote checks for \$3,598.80 for an ending balance on July 31, 2005 of \$17,492.88 including \$5,749.72 in the Building Fund. Doug moved \$2,300 on August 4 from checking to the money market for this year's Golf Tournament profits, leaving a balance of \$8,049.00 in the Building Fund.

FS Mark Ruether read bills totaling \$187.60. A motion was made by Frank Kempker and seconded by Richard Burkemper to pay the bills as presented. The motion carried.

**Financial Secretary Report:** Mark reported August receipts. He also reported that Dave Gramlich ordered more shirts and they will be available at the next meeting. Mark reported July membership at 284 with two suspensions since June. Three members reached Honorary Life

status (Age 70 and 25 years consecutive service) - Urban Brandt, Donald Conner and Charles Prather. Jack Dowd attained Honorary status (Age 65 and 25 years of consecutive service) and received his certificate at the meeting.

**Unfinished Business:** This weekend, the 9 am mass will be held in honor of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney and we will have a tent up outside to serve cookies and lemonade after the 5:30 pm mass, and donuts, coffee and juice after the 7, 9 and 11 am masses on Sunday. The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Honor Guard will be at the 9 am mass. We will have information about the Knights and try to recruit new members. Mark Ruether is acquiring information that will also be used at the Ministries Day on August 21.

- We still need help at the August 21<sup>st</sup> breakfast.
- The next Highway cleanup is scheduled for Sept. 10.
- There will be a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Initiation at the September meeting. Try to get new members there.
- We are planning an indoor picnic for Sunday, Sept. 10. There was concern that this might interfere with Home and School. After some discussion, it appeared that this will not be a conflict. We will serve a spaghetti dinner.
- Mark Ruether still has some Super Saver cards after cards were mailed to members. Helias Council mailed out 700 cards. We have already made about \$2000 profit with more coming.
- Mark Ruether has prepared a financial summary of the past operating year and is working on a budget for this year.
- There will be a Heart Walk on Saturday, August 27. Jack Dowd? is walking and looking for sponsors.

**New Business:** Floyd Letterman was approached for a donation for Children's Division in conjunction with Missouri Alliance for Children and Families, Lutheran Family and Children Services, Evergreen Behavioral Services, Ellis and Associates and Missouri Baptist Children's Home. They are planning an Adoption Fair on October 27. They are asking for donations to assist with this effort. A motion was made by Mike McKown and seconded by Al Rush to provide \$50. The motion carried.

- Larry Lewis requested two DVD's from the KofCs, one on the priesthood and one on marriage. The Vocations Committee has them and they are available for loan. The Vocations Committee wants to order more prayer cards and asked if the Knights will pay for them. They were about \$400 last year. A motion was made Al Rush by and seconded by Chuck Zimmerman to pay for the Vocation Cards. The motion carried. Mark Ruether ordered 100 Vocation prayer cards for our use.

**Good of the Order:** Please pray for Julie Gramlich. Sally Walker, a past teacher at our school died today.

**District Deputy Report:** DD Rich Clarkston needs the Tootsie Roll order. We want 20 boxes. Rich also needs to know how many roses we will need for Roses for Life Sunday. Rich just returned from the Supreme Convention in Chicago. It was a great experience. Over 60 Bishops and Archbishops and over 100 priests attended.

Bob Buell was drawn for the 50/50 and Lloyd Williamson was drawn for the attendance prize but was not present so the pot will increase to \$80 at the September meeting. Fr. Secrist led the Council in a closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mike Hoffmann, Recorder