



**Bishop Michael F. McAuliffe Knights of Columbus Council 12992**  
**Meeting Minutes - March 8, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Grand Knight Dave Gramlich following the a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Initiation for 9 candidates. Dave led the council in the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of the Opening Ode. 37 members, including 11 officers were present. The roll of Officers was read.

**Grand Knight Report:** Grand Knight Dave Gramlich asked members to review the printed minutes.

- Dave read a thank you from the Missouri River Regional Library for the donation of the *Parish Priest* book.
- A second and third degree will be held at the Helias Council hall on Sunday, March 19. All 1<sup>st</sup> degree members are encouraged to attend.
- The highway cleanup will be held this Saturday, March 11 beginning at 8:00 at the Christy Road and Hwy 179 (B).
- The Council voted to partner with the Helias Council to build a Habitat for Humanity house in Jefferson City. The location has not been determined to date.
- Dave thanked all the members who helped with the breakfast. We netted approximately \$1000.
- The State Buddy Bass Tournament will be held on Saturday, June 10 at the St. Thomas access.
- Dave reported for Al Meyer regarding the renovation of our storage room in the undercroft. Al would like volunteers to assist on March 25 or 28. A sign up sheet will be circulated.
- Dave has a few shirts but will place a new order if more are requested.

A motion was made by Lew Hancock and seconded by Chuck Zimmerman to approve the February minutes as corrected. The motion carried.

**Chaplains Report:** Chaplain Father Kurwicki welcomed the new members and encouraged their active involvement in the Knights and the parish.

- Lent has begun and all Catholics should make an extra effort to pray, fast and do penance. Stations of the cross will be held on Fridays at 2:30 pm for children and 6:30 pm for adults.
- The VIP dinner will be held in Columbia. We hope to encourage vocations through the program.
- Over 300 individuals participated in the Right of Election and should be accepted in the Church at Easter.
- Letters have gone out for the feasibility study for the expansion of the school and church.
- Dave Gramlich has copies of the program from Bishop McAuliffe's funeral. These contain a lot of history on our name sake and members are encouraged to take one.

**Treasurers Report:** Financial Secretary Mark Ruether reported for Treasurer Doug Porting. Mark reported February receipts of \$2,792.10 and disbursements of \$5,351.79 for an ending balance of \$21,770.87 on February 28, 2006. This includes \$8140.38 in the building fund. A motion was made by Jim Purcell to accept the Treasurers report as presented. The motion was seconded by Larry Nobbman and carried.

**Financial Secretary Report:** FS Mark Ruether read bills totaling \$436.28. A motion was made by Chuck Zimmerman and seconded by Frank Kempker to pay the bills as presented. The motion carried. Mark reported March 1 membership at 290 reflecting 2 transfers in and 1

suspension since February 1. Mark welcomed the new members and encouraged them to attend the upcoming 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree. Mark has flyers to join the Father Michael J. McGiveney Guild.

**Unfinished Business:** GK Dave Gramlich reminded the council about Project Moses to purchase a granite stone displaying the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes for display on the Cathedral grounds. This was discussed at the Officers meeting and Al Rush volunteered to price this locally. Al spoke with a local business and they are not able to do this. They suggested we order through Project Moses. Field Agent Larry Hoelscher volunteered to call a local granite contact for a price. The monument will cost \$4500 through Project Moses.

- Richard Burkemper asked if the Council wanted to support a skate party as an incentive for students who sell 10 Super Saver cards. A motion was made by Frank Kempker and seconded by Al Rush to sponsor a skating party for the students selling 10 or more Super Saver cards. The motion carried.

**New Business:** GK Dave Gramlich reminded council that the Diocesan 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Vocations Day will be held on May 3. Chaplain Father Kurwicky stated that all sixth grade students from the diocese gather at the Cathedral to consider God's call to holy orders. They receive a t-shirt that is sponsored by the Diocese and the Knights of Columbus. Father is the coordinator for the event and recently sent a letter to all K of C Councils in the Diocese asking for support. A motion was made by Frank Kempker and seconded by Jack Dowd to contribute \$200 to the Diocese to sponsor t-shirts for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Vocations Day. The motion carried.

- Chuck Zimmerman asked the new members to provide their email addresses to him or Mark Ruether to assist in communications within the Council. Chuck also asked members to bring their digital cameras to events and email him the pictures to be posted on our blogspot.

- Mike Hoffmann asked for approval to purchase a set of First Degree equipment for our council. We currently borrow these from the Helias Council and they are getting worn. A motion was made by Mike McCallum and seconded by Chuck Zimmerman to authorize the expenditure of the funds needed to purchase a set equipment for the First Degree. The motion carried.

**Field Agent Report:** Field Agent Larry Hoelscher welcomed the new members and thanked Dave Gramlich for his recruiting efforts. He reported that annuity rates are up and asked that anyone with questions on the insurance call him. Field Agent Paul Oligschlaeger reported that we have additional candidates who couldn't make it tonight. We also have other transfers coming in. Paul added that we have 16 potential suspensions and requested that their proposers contact them.

**Good of the Order:** Don Schell, Harold Welch and Al Meyer.

A motion was made by Frank Kempker and seconded by Chick Zimmerman to adjourn. Motion carried. Dave Gramlich led the Council in the closing prayer and the prayer for Vocations. Father Kjurwicky gave a blessing and the council sang the closing ode.

- Jim Nice was drawn for the attendance prize and was not present, so the prize will increase to \$140 in April. Floyd Letterman was drawn for 50/50.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mike Hoffmann, Recorder