



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Council 13144
Meeting of January 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 [P]	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 [P]	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 December Meeting Minutes were reviewed and Jerry made a motion and seconded by Al to approve the Minutes and the motion passed.
- 3) GN Dave suggested that we restart the "Into the Breach" series, a set of ten minute videos, at our next monthly meeting. All agreed and Taylor volunteered to set it up for the February meeting. The last one viewed was the 11th of the series titled Evangelization.
- 4) Ken LaBore provided a presentation/demonstration of the Knights Website which included a chart showing the site usage by month which is significant.
- 5) The Stations of the Cross will be held on alternate Fridays between St. Agnes and Sacred Heart. Since the first Friday in Lent the Stations are at Sacred Heart, the Knights will provide a soup and bread supper with a free will offering following the Stations of the Cross. The Knights first Fish Fry will be at St. Agnes on the second Friday in Lent and Knights will be contacted for help and deserts as in the past.
- 6) Dan reported that the Semiannual Council Audit and Activity Reports for the period ended December 31, 2023 are near completion.
- 7) GN Dave reported that he is signed up for The State Convention on May 3rd thru the 5th at Breezy Point. District Deputy Rick Jacobson stated that each Council can have two delegates, but be aware that April 1st is the dead line for booking a room.
- 8) Treasurer Jerry Bialke reported that the Brokerage Account balance was \$14,042.74 on 31 December up \$205.78 from the beginning of the month. The Scholarship Account balance of \$3,181.48 on 31 December was unchanged. The December General Account

ending balance of \$13,275.53 was up \$577 as the result of a deposit of \$1,125 from the Christmas Party receipts and total payments of \$548 (\$48 to Mark's Market for Pancake Breakfast supplies and a \$500 donation to Walker Area Pregnancy Support Center). Jerry also reported that the current January General Account balance is \$5,108.53 after putting \$5,000 in a CD and a few other checks cashed in January. Denny made a motion and seconded by Terry to approve the Treasurer Report and the motion passed.

- 9) Financial Secretary Dan Falk reported that vouchers issued in December include \$48 to Mark's Market for Pancake Breakfast supplies, \$500 to the Walker Area Pregnancy Support Center, \$2,538 to Tianna Country Club for the Knight's Christmas Party and \$129 to Guiding Star Project for the District Natural Family Planning Training Support. Dan also reported that vouchers issued so far in January include \$600 Scholarship payments to Ada Muller and Desirae Phillips.
- 10) Taylor reported that a COR meeting is occurring on Wednesday mornings after Mass at St Agnes. There are currently from 6 to 12 men each week and Taylor encouraged all Knights to consider attending.
- 11) District Deputy Rick Jacobson pointed out that we are close to becoming a Star Council for this year and emphasized the need to increase membership.
- 12) Prayers are requested for the unborn, Peter Schmitz, John and MJ Warren, 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.
- 13) Next meeting will be on February 15, 2024 at Sacred Heart at 6:00 PM following the 5:30 Mass.
- 14) Meeting adjourned following the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted by
Dennis Abbott (Recorder)