



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Council 13144
Meeting of March 21, 2024

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

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

- 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 February Meeting Minutes were reviewed and GN Dave made a motion and seconded by Dan to approve the Minutes and the motion passed.
- 3) Taylor introduced the Second of the "Into the Breach" series, a set of ten minute videos, titled Brotherhood. It emphasized the importance of men having a friend and brother in Christ.
- 4) The first Fish Fry resulted in a gross of \$1,105 and the second was \$1,629 which was less than expected based on previous years. The last Fish Fry is Friday March 22 and GN Dave stated that a couple more volunteers are needed for cleanup and also volunteers to provide desert bars.
- 5) Dan stated that the St. Agnes kitchen and dining area is in real need of a deep cleaning and a commercial cleaner would cost over \$1,000. After discussion it was agreed to schedule deep cleaning after the last Fish Fry on 22 March.
- 6) Marv reported that the attendance at the 3 Soup and Bread Suppers after the Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart ranged from 20 to 35 people and a little over \$570 was raised to support the Scholarship Program. Almost all who were at the Soup Suppers came for the Stations and had positive feedback.
- 7) 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. The registration deadline is April 1st.
- 8) GN Dave reported that the cases of Tootsie Rolls have arrived and we need Knights to volunteer to hand them out after each Mass at both Sacred Heart and St. Agnes.

- 9) GN Dave received and passed out ten books of tickets from the Bemidji K of C Council to sell for their boat, motor and trailer Annual Raffle. There are 10 tickets per book and tickets are \$10 each and the seller keeps 60% of the proceeds. We can get additional tickets if desired.
- 10) Patrick Dolan, the Knights of Columbus insurance agent for our area, provided some facts about the Insurer and a summary of the products available.
- 11) Treasurer Jerry Bialke reported that the Brokerage Account balance was \$14,140.51 on 29 February down \$250.35 from the beginning of the month. The Scholarship Account balance of \$1,376.16 on 29 February was up \$194.68 as a result of a deposit from the Brokerage account. The February General Account ending balance of \$7,844.67 was up \$2,912.29 as the result of total deposits of \$4,200 (\$875 in Dues, \$1,105 from the 1st Fish Fry, \$835 from various donations, \$375 from the Knights Raffle and \$1,010 from Pancake Breakfasts) and total payments of \$1,287.71 (\$500 Duluth Seminarian Donation, \$76 to Mark's Market for pancake breakfast supplies and \$711.71 to Sysco for Fish Fry supplies). GN Dave made a motion and seconded by Marv to approve the Treasurer Report and the motion passed.
- 12) Financial Secretary Dan Falk provided the February Voucher Report which included vouchers issued for \$76 to Mark's Market for pancake breakfast supplies, \$500 Duluth Seminarian Donation, \$500 donation to the Walker Pregnancy Center and \$160 to St. Agnes Catholic Church for American Flags purchased for both churches.
- 13) Taylor reported that the COR meeting is occurring on Wednesday mornings after Mass at St Agnes and from 6 to 8 men have been attending.
- 14) Taylor reported that there are 5 potential candidates for scholarships next year.
- 15) 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.
- 16) Next meeting will be on April 18, 2024 at Sacred Heart at 6:00 PM following the 5:30 Mass.
- 17) Meeting adjourned following the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted by
Dennis Abbott (Recorder)