



Knights of Columbus Meeting – Minutes  
Council 5043  
February 3, 2025  
Parish Hall – 6:00 PM

**Call to Order** – 6:08 p.m.

**Warden’s Report** – All are ok

**Opening Prayers** –

**Prayer for the Canonization of Fr. Michael J. McGivney**

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag** –

**Officers for 2023 – 2024**

Grand Knight – Jed Skogerboe,	NP	DGK – Johnny Klaschen,	P
Financial Secretary – Wayne Mathine,	P	Recorder – Paul Katzfey,	P
Treasurer – Mark Ingwersen,	P	Chancellor – Jim Peterson,	P
Warden – Bob Wegelin,	P	Lecturer – Dale Vortherms,	NP
Advocate – Jim Miller,	P	Inside Guard – Dave Kollasch,	NP
Outside Guard – Nile Skogerboe,	NP	Chaplain – Rev. Guenther – FR. Dan	P

Trustees: Brian Nokleby, P / Mark Maeyaert, NP / Larry Chapman, P

P = Present

NP = Not Present

**Minutes of Previous Meeting** – Distributed by e-mail. Miller motion to approve; Chapman second; carried.

**Chaplain’s Report:** State Chaplain duties start in July. Two-year term. Jeff Willing will be the new State Deputy.

**Grand Knight’s Report:**

- Thanks to everyone that helped with the Chili Cook-off at Winter Games, it is a fun event to be involved with. Hope Haven won for the non-profits. Kurth noted that they work with adults; and that Special Olympics is in Minneapolis next year. He said we went through our 13 gallons in about 15 minutes.
- Hopefully everyone noticed we received some print in the latest Columbian regarding our donations for flood relief – nice job in getting that published Paul

- **DUES ARE DUE!!! PLEASE PAY NOW!**

**Treasurer's Report:** Mark Ingwersen – Payments went to Katzfey, Skogerboe and Mathine and Supreme and Iowa KC. Paid Steffens and Smith dues. Had Soup income of \$90 and dues income of \$372 and \$147. Balance today of \$12,484.12.

**Reading of Bills and Communications:** Mathine motion to approve; Miller second; carried.

**Financial Secretary's Report:** Wayne Mathine – 15 more dues are due. Audit sent today. We need to distribute the Tootsie / Golf money. It has been sitting in our account too long.

### **Unfinished (Old) Business**

- Denny will head up the exploration of other events to replace the soup and pie supper – updates? I believe this is in addition to Soup and Pie. Kurth said that after exploration he thinks we should keep the soup supper, with some tweaks. Maybe lose clam chowder and make a simple chicken noodle, but from scratch. This event clears about \$2,500. Regarding the breakfasts, we get sausage, bacon and eggs free, so we should take advantage of that. Regarding the fish fry, there were about 10 guys at the meeting. Ideas are: sell a family ticket for \$30; ask for desserts and salad to fill plate before fish; get sponsor (\$250 + 10 free tickets); raffle (he has a photo of '93 barge fire). Deacon Darwin added that he ordered the seasoning.
- Fourth Degree at Statewide Meeting on April 4 12:30 – 4:15 Dubuque, \$50/person (Council pay?) – there was also a thought that Spencer may be hosting a 4<sup>th</sup> degree event prior to April? Is there any update available on that? Fr. Dan said if there is a great interest, it may happen, but probably not. Fourth Degree is totally different from First, Second and Third. Klaschen plans to take Fourth Degree in Dubuque.
- Jed spoke to Paula Gomez at Hope Haven re: Special Olympics they have shirt needs for each event they participate in; Also exchanged info with Shannon Stolen – Spirit Lake Park Special Olympics sponsor and they'll let us know their needs. We will await their needs, but Fr. Dan said they should all be given a deadline so we can clear our books more expediently. (See Financial Secretary's report).

### **New Business**

- Next exemplification – March 23 – please advise availability by participants. Miller said we have one candidate now, and he is putting it in bulletin this week. Waterhouse floated the idea of offering a scholarship to seniors who have turned 18 and have taken the exemplification.
- Officer positions – who intends to re-up and what positions do we need to fill. Wegelin would like to opt out of Warden position, but will stay if he has to.
- Spring KC event? Feb. 26 Religious Ed meal, pancakes and sausage.
- Do we want to pick an LA area Council to receive a donation from 5043? Miller motion to table; Chapman second; carried.
- Kurth said the fire marshal wants us to move the propane tanks to a separate facility, so

he is exploring a concrete pad with shed and cabinet for tanks. Fr. Dan asked if we did our due diligence, i.e., is it too close to church?

- Kurth said Doc Smith needs a ramp at his house. Denny saved the previous ramp we pulled apart, so we may just need to add a cement pad. Kurth motion to use up this old wood for this project; Miller second; carried.
- DISTRICT FT Competition Feb 16. Six Knights signed up at meeting. Could use a few more. Contact Paul Katzfey if you can help 712-330-6371. Starting registrations at 11:30 a.m. and the competition at 12 noon.
- Miller asked about RAGBRAI. Katzfey read an email from a Council working with a church group in Washington, IA, looking for a place for their 18 attendees. Fr. Dan said to ask Fr. Hemann if he wants to open up either church for this.
- Miller said that a Council in Hawaii puts on breakfasts and gets two corporate sponsors who BOTH match the income, and they buy everything at Costco. So the businesses can write it off, as well.
- Nokleby and Kurth – Consider a breakfast for Deacon Darwin’s daughter. Nokleby to investigate.

**Field Agent’s Report: Rob Waterhouse** – He will submit State Convention attendees as Waterhouse, Fr. Dan and Klaschen, unless Skogerboe wants to attend. He also said any life insurance holders should review their policies and beneficiaries, and he is happy to help. He also distributed a master calendar of our events, for showing potential new members.

**District Deputy’s Report:** N/A

**Prayer for the Sick:** Prayer intentions for Andrew Vortherms, Jim Miller, Ron Smith, Jean O’Neill and all parishioners in need.

**Prayer for Vocations:**

**Motion to Adjourn:** 7:34 p.m.

Closing Prayer:

*Submitted by Paul Katzfey*