

**Knights of Columbus  
Terence Cardinal Cooke Council #8495  
Business Meeting Minutes  
12 October 2009**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:39 pm and the roll call of officers was conducted with 26 total members including the following officers in attendance:

Grand Knight	Aaron Wahus	Present
Dep. Grand Knight	Bill Kulovitz	Excused
Chancellor	Tom Howe	Present
Recorder	Ray Adriano	Present
Treasurer	John Vigna	Present
Advocate	David Titus	Present
Warden	McKinley Curtis	Present
Inside Guard	Pietro DeGuerrero	Present
Outside Guard	Price Roberts	Excused
Trustee 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Joe Kise	Present
Trustee 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	Mark Chapin	Excused
Trustee 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	Tim Bair	Present
Financial Secretary	Bob Hoeppe	Present
Chaplain	Fr. Michael Reverse	Present
Lecturer	Bob Prange	Excused

**Reading of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Highlights of the 14 September 09 Business Meeting Minutes were read. Motion to accept the minutes as read and published on the website was made, seconded, voted, and passed.

**Report of Admissions Committee**

Larry Drieling presented a member readmission request from William "Bill" McCorkle. A motion to readmit was made and seconded. With no discussions, the motion passed.

An application for transfer from council # 2964 for James Resiendorf was also received. A motion to accept was made and seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed.

Larry Drieling also reported that 7 applications for membership were received during the Time, Talent, and Treasure weekend drive. Along with the 2 he has already received, there may be as many as 9 candidates for the month.

**Grand Knight's Report**

GK presented Sir Knight Don Weegan Honorary Life Member ID card. He is a recent transfer.

Next council officer's meeting is Monday 2 Nov at 7:00 pm at the council home and the next regular business meeting is Monday 9 Nov at 7:30 pm also at the council home.

GK presented Brother Jose Taitegue his 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Exemplification ID card.

GK presented Fr, Michael Reverse his 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Exemplification Honorary Certificate and his gift card for his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of priesthood.

GK read a thank you card from Fr. Miguel in appreciation for the Our Lady of Guadalupe book he received.

GK read a card from Fr. Michael thanking the council for the hard work done for his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary spaghetti dinner.

### **Chaplain's Report**

Parish is doing well. Continue to pray for all that have special needs.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Beginning balance	\$ 1,908.59
Receipts	\$ 1,313.61
Expenditures	\$ 862.48
Ending balance	\$ 2,359.72

### **Reading of Bills and Communications**

Received a \$55.59 bill from the Supreme council; cost of purchasing 1,000 pieces of Prayer for Priests cards that was handed out to all parishioners after each mass.

State raffle tickets are coming to each council member by mail along with the council newsletter. Cost is \$5.00 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.00. Fifty percent of the sale proceeds will be donated to Birthright of Augusta and the remaining will be sent to the State council for other pro-life charitable organizations.

**Financial Secretary's Report** – No Report.

### **Report of Auditors/Trustees**

Home company lead has been transferred to Past Grand Knight Joe Kise.

### **Chancellor's Report on Vocations**

Tom Howe reported to the council and thanked Brian Tuschen's \$50.00 donation for the RSVP fund.

Beginning Balance (as of 13 Sep 09)	\$ 1,778.51
Receipts	\$ 2.00
Seminarian Checks (4 @)	\$ 625.00
Ending Balance (as of 12 Oct 09)	\$ 1,155.51

Ray Adriano addressed the council asking for donations of unused toiletry items (toothpastes, razors, lotion, shampoo, etc.). These items will be mailed as a "care package" to all seminarians our council supports. All donated items will be collected at the next business meeting, then

packaged and mailed at the earliest date hopefully before the holidays. As a note, Brian Tuschen volunteered to pay for cost of mailing during his (Field Agent's) report.

### **Director's Report - Report of Certification Committee**

#### **Membership director**

Larry Drieling reported that our council has 259 current members, 83 insurance members, 176 associates, 7 honoraries, 19 lifetime members, and 2 disabled members. The council needs 22 additional new members meet this year's quota (was only 18 but we also lost a few for various reasons). Admissions Committee will most likely be held next week so that candidates can go through the 1<sup>st</sup> degree exemplification both in October and November 2009 (as needed).

#### **Program Director's Report**

Tom Howe enumerated numerous scheduled events for October 2009 through January 2010 that are posted in the council website calendar.

#### **Church Director's Report**

Need a "Keep Christ in Christmas" lead/director. Please see or contact Deputy GK Tom Howe.

#### **Community Director's Report**

The total donations received during the Sep 09 Arts in The Heart of Augusta is \$408.00. A motion to increase the total to \$450.00 (to be donated to the Wheelchair Foundation) was made and seconded. The total includes the \$200.00 donation made by Bill Priddy. The motion was carried.

St. Teresa church roadside cleanup is scheduled for Saturday 7 Nov 09 at 9:00 am. All volunteers will meet in front of the council home. Trash bags will be provided.

#### **Council Director's Report**

Tom Howe reported on behalf of Bob Prange that volunteers are needed to help with the Parish Thanksgiving dinner on 21 Nov to cook and man the bar. Please see Tom Howe for the volunteer sign up; also available on the web.

**Family Director's Report** – see report below.

#### **Youth Director's Report**

Bob Ollerich reminded the council of the K of C Free Throw competition scheduled for Saturday, 16 Jan 2010 at Patriot's Park gym from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. He also brought up the coming District Free Throw competition scheduled on Saturday 13 Feb 2010 also at Patriot's Park gym from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

**Communications Director's Report** - No Report.

### **Home Company Report -**

Bill Keogh reported that the lease agreement document was returned from the Bishop's office with very little change noted. This means the lease agreement is moving forward and will most likely be finalized soon.

Past GK Joe Kise reported the following balances:

Ameriprise Investments -	\$ 52,812.87
Wachovia Checking Account -	\$ 8,861.10
Total	\$ 61,673.97

### **Roundtable Report**

Current balance is \$1,852.36. They are still scheduled to have a Steak Night event Friday 16 October 09. No actual times have been given at this time. GK will pass information

### **Degree Committee/Team**

Bob Hoeppel reported the following degree exemplification events:

- a. 1<sup>st</sup> degree 22 Oct at St. Teresa of Avila, Saturday October 17, 2009;
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> degree at Fort Gordon, Building 13 at 1:00 pm; please show up at 12:30 pm, dress code is coat and tie;
- c. 7 Nov 4<sup>th</sup> degree in Conyers, GA; and
- d. 6 Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> degree in Thomson.

Tim Bair is looking for help with degree ceremonies and degree team members.

**Priests Appreciation Committee** - No Report.

### **Car Show Committee**

Don Declue reported that the event planning is completed and the car show is expected to be a success. Flyers are available for distribution to anyone. The show will be completed and St. Teresa's grounds empty by 3:00 pm.

The new Food Lion at Columbia road donated \$100.00 for the car show. Their grand opening is on 21 Oct; they requested Fr. Michael to do a blessing of the store.

Immaculate Conception School will have a car raffle during St. Teresa's car show for a 1997 BMW. Proceeds will be for the school only.

**Unfinished Business** – None.

### **New Business**

Brother Dave Titus reported on the success of the Columbia County Cares spaghetti dinner and thanked all brother knights who were involved and volunteered their time to the event. It raised approximately \$7300.00. He also thanked Fr. Michael Roverse for allowing the use of the church facilities during this event.

Motion was made and seconded to donate \$240.00 to the Ladies Auxiliary. It represents \$1.00 for each of the members. This was also done last year for the same amount. With no discussions brought up, the motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded to donate a total of \$60.00 to purchase 4 books (\$15.00 each) titled "The Priest Is Not His Own" written by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen. Archbishop Sheen's foundation has a campaign to give a copy of the book to each seminarian throughout the United States. With no discussion, the motion was carried.

Past GK Joe Kise reported on his work to provide more information on the efforts to raise funds for the rebuilding of the Conyers' Monastery. Most likely will be a steak dinner around the pre-Lenten period.

Motion was made to donate \$50.00 to each of the 4 priest and to our seminarian (soon to be Deacon) Jorge (between the Ladies Auxiliary and the Council) for their Christmas gift. Total is \$125.00 from our council and \$125.00 from the Ladies Auxiliary.

### **Report of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree**

Brian Tuschen informed the council of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification held in Savannah this past Saturday 10 Oct 09. There were a total of 39 candidates, of which 4 were from our council: Ray Adriano, Bob Oellerich, Marty Weidner, and Rick Colohan.

Memorial Mass will be held at 6:30 pm on 6 Nov 09 at St. Mary's church.

Dick Mann invited all knights and ladies auxiliary to join in volunteering at the VA. In the past volunteering at the VA was done primarily by 4<sup>th</sup> degree knights only. Supreme is now extending this to the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree knights as well.

### **Field Agent's Report**

Brian Tuschen addressed the council. Knights of Columbus insurance is now ranked as one of the top three Best Insurance Companies in the United States. This is because of the conservative business policy the company employs. Because we are a fraternal order that supports the members only, K of C Insurance enjoys an advantage of not having to pay taxes. A third of the earnings are paid to members in dividends, another third is donated to charitable organizations, and the balance used to cover operating costs.

### **District Deputy Report**

Tim Bair offered invitation to anyone who wants to be a part of the degree team, or be a candidate for any of coming 3<sup>rd</sup> degree candidate for exemplification, or just attend the ceremony.

### **The Good of the Order**

GK Aaron Wahus dispensed with this portion; Lecturer Bob Prange was not present.

### **Prayers for Sick and Distressed**

List was passed and new names were added.

**Chaplain's Summation**

Thursday night will be the feast of St. Teresa of Avila.

Reminder of the dinner for 200 soldiers from Fort Gordon planned for the 11 Nov 09.

**Adjournment** - With no further agenda brought before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ray Adriano  
Recorder

**Roll of Officers**  
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