

KOC 4050 MEETING MINUTES

FOR 1/12/2023

Attendance: Bill Fonzone, Gary Buschta, Mark Woods, Gary Johnson Mike Hoffman, Fran McGouldrick, Pat Klement, Gary Alfano, Mike Hunsicker, Chris Moakley, Marc Grammes, Greg Fedak, Chris Moakley, Peter Wlodek, Rich Sefranek, Dennis Sullivan, Sylvester Pany, Rich Webster.

Our meeting started at 6:30 with the Pledge of Allegiance. A prayer was given by Mike Hunsicker. Bill indicated we would have our memorial mass for deceased Knights at 7:15 after our meeting.

We discussed taking down the Keep Christ in Christmas banners and putting up the pro-life banners. The pro-life banner will not go up at St Johns since they will be advertising their Tricky Tray fundraiser. At our December meeting we said we would contribute to the pro-life banner sponsored by Easton council 345. Mark provided Mike Hunsicker with a check for \$192.

An exemplification for 4 new members is scheduled for January 15th at Holy Trinity, after the 11:30 mass. And we agreed to have a rosary on Thursday, January 19th at Holy Trinity (subject to review with Msgr. Dan). This is the evening before the National March for Life.

Discussed the fish bake. Mike Homishak is checking with St Johns if dates are available. We are looking for 3 dates and a possible makeup date because of weather. We are looking at Fridays March 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th. Jeff and Mike will meet to discuss initial plans. They could use an additional Knight. Mark discussed that we cannot give tax deduction letters to donors as in the past because of Supreme's requirements. Individual will be asked to give to the Knights of Columbus Charities Inc. (a 501c3) if they need a tax deduction letter. We will set up a table and sell C.O.A.L. (chance of a lifetime) raffle tickets. Tickets are \$5.00 we will make \$2.25 per ticket if check is mailed sold April 5th. Mailed April 6th to April 21st we make \$1.75. 16 prizes, 1st place is \$15,000.

We are planning a baby bottle campaign at Cay Galgon Life House and Bright Hope. Tentatively, we are looking at handing out bottles at parishes on May 6-7 and 13-14 Mother's Day weekend. We will collect them for about 4 weekends after that. We are also looking at the ability for parishioners to make donations to Cay Galgon and Bright Hope on line, from a link on our website. We can make deposits for Cay Galgon at Embassy Bank. Looking into how to handle Bright Hope. As with the fish dinner we cannot give tax deduction letters. They will come from Cay Galgon or Bright Hope. Any checks must be payable to either of them.

We discussed foul shooting at Good Shephard. Fran is going to check with the principal to determine if they want us to do it. We also weren't certain of Supreme's time frame to do the event.

Gary Johnson indicated there would be a 4th degree exemplification on April 22nd at St Thomas Moore. A reception will be held at Christopher's.

The Knights will help our priests with stations of the cross during Lent, if they need assistance.

The Knights will not have a spaghetti dinner this year but we will plan a chicken dinner. Date to be determined.

Mark gave the Treasurer's report. Charity account \$2,546; General account \$809; Investment Account \$36,109.

Mark also discussed Catholic School week and expressing appreciation to the teachers and staff at Good Shepherd and the Mercy School, as in the past. He and Fran will look into what to give them. Mark noted we have \$154 remaining in our budget for causes to be determined during our council year, and these funds will be used for the appreciation gifts.

Fran noted that Queenship of Mary was compiling a cookbook for a fundraiser. After discussion, we agreed to contribute \$30 for a ¼ page ad.

We were made aware that Dennis and Ed Sommer's sister passed away. And we prayed for several other intentions for the good of the order.

Mike Hunsicker led us in a closing prayer.

We went to our memorial mass for deceased Knights.