

K of C Meeting Minutes for St. Thomas More Council # 7121, Sept. 27, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 PM by the Grand Knight, Br. Tom Kelly.

A quorum of members was determined present (23 members) by Warden Alex Stamatelos.

The opening prayer was offered, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll of officers (P=present, X=excused, A=absent):

— P Grand Knight – Br. Tom Kelly	—	— P Advocate – Br. Bob Wesselman
— X Chaplain – Rev Fr Timothy Lindenfelser		— P Warden – Br. Alex Stamatelos
— P DGK – Br. John Parkey		— P Outside Guard – Br. Brian Foy
— P Chancellor – Br. Bill Remy		— A Inside Guard – Br. Tommy Murphy
— X Recorder – Br. Dick Connally		— X Trustees – Br. Don Fox (1 year)
— P Financial Secretary – Br. Dave Look		— P Br. Paul Doran (2 year)
— P Treasurer – Br. Greg Meese		— P Br. Chuck Nitsch (3 year)
— P Lecturer – Br. John Alexander		

Dignitaries/visitors/new members: Fraternal Agent Stan Hetrick; first attendance by Tom Alexander and Jerry Coyle

The opening ode was led by the DGK, followed by opening prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes from the August 23, 2018 business meeting were approved as read.

Membership/Admissions/Initiations: None

Grand Knight's Report: Worshippers needed for Eucharistic Adoration each Thursday night. Call Don Fox.

The council made a \$100 donation to March for Life St. Augustine.

Cynthia has asked for volunteers to cook at the Garage Sale Sat. Oct. 6. Tom Kelly, John Parkey, and Chuck Nitsch volunteered.

FINANCIAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: With a \$75 donation to the Fr. Seamus O'Flynn Scholarship Fund from Kathleen Kaye in memory of Josephino Nyzio Ridge, Br. Paul Doran reported the balance in the Fr. Seamus Fund to be \$9537.48. Treasurer's report showed income of \$664.61, expenses of \$507.00, and balance of \$7773.04.

Reading of Bills and Communications: Received a "thank you" note from Patricia O'Connell, widow of Brother Patrick O'Connell, thanking us for the Mass card

Financial Secretary: FS Dave Look reported the current council statement shows 138 members, of which 6 are honorary and 28 are Honorary Life. We have received dues payments in the amount of \$2405 from 96 members, are still holding 6 members in arrears for a total of \$220, and have filed first notice, second notice, Knights Alert, and intent to retain against 10 members whom we wish to suspend, all at least 4 years in arrears. Final withdrawal notice must be filed against these 10 members between Nov. 15 and Nov. 30. Thanks to prior FS John Parkey for getting the jump on the suspension process and giving us a 2 week window to finish.

Trustees Report: No report

Chancellor's Report on Vocations: No report.

SERVICE PROGRAMS and COMMITTEES:

Respect Life Director Ed O'Sullivan reported that Respect Life Month starts off with 40 Days for Life Sept. 27 through Nov. 7. Local events include a Spiritual Adoption Baby Shower at St. Anastasia, Oct. 6-7. Donations of newborn supplies will be collected for St. Gerard House. On Sunday Oct. 7, Life Chain prayer in front of Destiny Church, 1485 US 1, from 2-3:30 pm. On Sunday Oct. 13, Public Square Rosary to pray for our Nation, St. Anastasia Catholic church - near the Flagpole at 12 noon, also at Cathedral Basilica west courtyard. If anyone would like to stand and pray at Planned Parenthood during the 40 Days and would like a ride to Jacksonville on Friday, October 5, 12, 19 and 26, please call Ed O'Sullivan 904-315-1804.

Social: Altar Server Appreciation ceremony went very well, well-attended by parishioners. 11 of the 14 altar servers were present for the awards ceremony.

Bar Report: No report

Coffee & Donuts: We have signed up to run Coffee & Donuts after both Masses on the second Sunday of each month. The parish is working on getting some signboards made to advertise that Coffee & Donuts are being served even when it is not announced in the bulletin or from the pulpit

Food Drive Report: Move to a single drive-thru collection point outside the St. Cecelia room went well. Approximately 1800 lb of food was collected, along with cash, check, and gift card donations of \$1422. This is much better than last year, when we were wiped out by Hurricane Irma, but about the same as 2016.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bill Remy has collected \$504 in Florida KofC Charity \$25K Raffle tickets. Half sent to state, half deposited in Council treasury. He still has more tickets. Anyone who still has their books should sell them or turn them in. Bill will also be running Keep Christ in Christmas magnet sales, will need some help.

John Alexander has offered to host Pete Banazak as a guest speaker. He was a running back for the Oakland Raiders 1966-1978, 3 Super Bowl Rings. Would also like to invite Judge Howard McGillan to speak about the St. Johns County Veterans Court. Dates being worked.

John Parkey confirmed with Peter Morin that the Knights will operate a wine and beer bar at 4 concerts in St. Jude Hall: Nov. 2, Nov. 16, Dec 22 and Feb 23, 2019. Details being worked out.

Nov. 4 Memorial Mass for Deceased Members 8 am, memorial service after in Marian Chapel & breakfast at Marsh Creek (\$15/person). Paul Doran will collect the \$15, Alex S. will confirm the reservation, Bob W. will contact the widows, and John P will put the program together.

No decision made yet on a Veterans Day event

NEW BUSINESS:

Brothers Jim Hesson and Derek DuBrow have offered to hold a "tail-gate" football game party sometime in October or November. Need someone with DirecTV NFL ticket or similar streaming package.

BUDGET: Proposed 2018-19 budget passed around and discussed. Motion to accept made by Gene Behrends, seconded by Brian Foy. Motion passed.

FN John Alexander reported the 4th Degree is going to the Alhambra in Dec, show is Elf, dinner cost is \$52 Alex Stamatelos asked if we were going to host monthly socials. Answer is yes, but only if somebody agrees to run one. As of now, only the June 2019 picnic social is scheduled, run by Fred and Ricky Hernandez. Fred Hernandez has a lot of council archive material in his garage, will need help getting it out, sorting it, storing it elsewhere.

FOURTH DEGREE: No report

FRATERNAL AGENT: September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. Even if you have insurance with someone else, please contact the Fraternal Agent for a review of your situation.

DISTRICT DEPUTY: No report

GOOD OF THE ORDER/Welfare &/or Distress: Dick Connally, Diana Connally, Greg Meese, Tom Peckenham; Gene Behrends. DD AJ McCaffery has come down with shingles.

4th Degree Color Guard and several Brothers showed up for commitment service of Brother Daniel Ball of Council 611, whose interment in the south columbarium was held after the 10:30am Mass, Sunday Sep 2nd.

The closing prayer and ode were led by the GK. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Submitted by: Dave Look



Approved by the members on October 25, 2018 per the Grand Knight.

Attested by *Dave Look*, Acting Recorder

COUNCIL 7121 PROPOSED 2018-2019 BUDGET						
as approved by the council 9/20/18	PROPOSED		ACTUALS - PRIOR YEARS			
INCOME	BUDGET		2018-9	2017-8	2016-7	2015-6
Dues	\$ 2,500		\$ 2,480	\$ 2,390	\$ 2,195	\$ 1,940
50/50	\$ 300			\$ 370	\$ 708	
Donations	\$ 500		\$ 45	\$ 40	\$ 40	
Food for Families	\$ 500			\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 200
Income from wine beer soda bar	\$ 750			\$ 757	\$ 745	\$ 675
Fund raising	\$ 300		\$ 252	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Christmas Cards & Magnets	\$ 250			\$ 731	\$ 480	\$ 1,040
RSVP refund	\$ 200			\$ 200	\$ 200	
Christmas Party net profit	\$ 1,000			\$ 950		
First Friday Breakfast net profit	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 311	\$ 382
Total Income	\$ 6,300			\$ 5,939	\$ 5,179	\$ 4,237
EXPENSES						
Administration:						
State Convention	\$ 1,100			\$ 1,100	\$ 975	
Per Capita State	\$ 1,150			\$ 1,104	\$ 1,133	
Per Capita Supreme	\$ 450			\$ 404	\$ 428	
Catholic advertising	\$ 120			\$ 116	\$ 109	
Culture of Life	\$ 230			\$ 218	\$ 208	
General Programs:						
P.O. box rental	\$ 100			\$ 82	\$ 76	
Postage, Printing & Admin Supplies	\$ 250			\$ 36	\$ 259	
1st degree ceremonial supplies	\$ 50			\$ 100	\$ -	
Church Activities:						
Altar Servers	\$ 100		\$ 25			
Pro-Life	\$ 100					
Community Activities:						
Veteran's Day Brunch	\$ 200			\$ 129	\$ 200	
Seminarian Support	\$ 1,000			\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	
St. Anastasia Needy Fund				\$ -	\$ 431	
Sunshine Club	\$ 100			\$ 100	\$ 100	
Council Activities:						
Dinners & Socials	\$ 500					
Certificates, Plaques, Gifts	\$ 100			\$ 849	\$ -	
Installation Dinner	\$ 150		\$ 105	\$ 179	\$ 547	
Family Activities:						
Family Welfare; Get well	\$ 100			\$ 67		
Survivors Assistance	\$ 100				\$ 200	
Youth Activities:						
World Youth Day	\$ 100				\$ 114	
Contingency Expenses	\$ 300					
Total Expenses	\$ 6,300			\$ 5,303	\$ 5,233	