

The February 2, 2022, Meeting of Knights Council 3928 was called into session at 8:03 pm.

Attendance.... Meeting held in the hall. 23 Members in attendance.

Chaplin's Report.... No Report.

Grand Knight Report.... Honor to be a part of this organization. We can build on our theme to make someone smile. While the pandemic is still out there and have limited our opportunities to give we would like to still soldier on. I would like to set up a system to have fellow active Knights reach out to other knights to let them know we care about them and what upcoming events we might have come up. And I would like to work on our spiritual growth. I am urging everyone to attend mass or one of the many virtual offerings our parish has to offer. April 8-10 is a weekend men's retreat coming up if you are interested in. But there's also several online events if you are not interested in going away for a weekend. During our March meeting we will have an Asset Management Specialist coming in to talk to us about faith-based savings opportunities that are "consistent with Catholic teaching".

Financial Report... Chris presented his report which is available for review upon request. Last month we took in \$1,235.25 in dues. Bills were paid and we ended the month with a positive cash flow for the month of \$961.37.

Membership Report... We are welcoming our new members tonight! Gene Johnson, Jeff Falcone, Richard Falcone. Total 196 members including tonight's additions. We have a couple of more prospects that could be coming on board for the coming months. Our quota is 9 new members we are currently at 6 with a few new prospects. We need to focus on the Faith and Spiritual Reflection. We are looking to get ten members to attend a retreat to qualify on that key point. What have the Guilford Knights done recently???? This year we have given \$36,000 in charitable donations, 7,000 service hours, 18 blood donations. Great Job Men!!!!

Other Reports...

Carnival – No report

Family – Please consider giving used along with new toys to our local toy drives as any toy matters.

Program Director.... No report.

Fish Fry... Fish Fry has been cancelled for this Lenten Season. Fish Fry will be reconsidered during the fall should the market change in our favor.

Community – No report.

Faith... Please try to attend more masses. Father is worried about the long-term effect of covid on the strength of the church. Don has received an email that the chorus will be starting back up soon.

Report of the Fourth Degree -

- Allyn reported that they have a furnace company that has agreed to volunteer a furnace and the Fourth Degree has found a home in a VFW hall in the state. The Fourth degree has been working hard to show respect and colors at the services at several Brother Knight's who have passed since the start of the year. We are forever grateful to these Sir Knights who can usher off the souls of our brothers with distinction.

District Deputy Report (Rich Falcone):

- Membership is free until June 30. March 27th will be the Father McGivney dinner. They are urging each council to have their own tables. Please contact Rich Falcone for details. April 10th stations of the cross will be taking place. The next exemplification is May 7th.

Unfinished Business:

- By-Laws that were approved have been sent to Supreme and to all members via PDF format. Printed copies will be made available during the March Council meeting.
- Fish Fry has been put on hold. Supplies were limited and availability was extremely low. Right now, it is cancelled and if matters change in the future we will revisit at that time. Some discussion took place about causes and other possibilities.

Under New Business:

- Chris gave a positive update on the Habitat for Humanity project recently completed and gave some information on some future project March 19th. Ten spots are open to our Council. Any members interested in joining the crew should contact Chris Dill or Joe Myers.
- GK Nelly brought up the Carnival. Aug 9-13 is what the contract has been signed for. We are still looking for a Carnival Chairman. This is an essential role as this is our number one fundraiser for the year.
- Thank you letter from the Toy Closet for the donation from the Halloween Dance.
- Thank you letter from the Guilford Foundation for the donation they received from the Knights.
- Paula Deveau thanking us for our gift in their time of loss.

Good of the Order –

Knight of the Month was – Michael Tufano

Family of the Month was –

Thoughts & Prayers - - Dave and Roseanne Kelly who are recovering from Covid. Don Bonato's wife who is recovering from illness. Mr. Dill and Chris's Aunt who are working through illness. Allyn Temple and his grandson. Also, Vinny's mother are all in our prayers during their tough struggles

Closing Prayer was offered at 9:05 PM