

**The May 1, 2019 Meeting of Knights Council 3928 was called into session at 8:07pm.**

**Grand Knight Report...** Happy to be back together and very pleased with the large success of the Fish Fry this season! Thank you all for your volunteering, especially Mike Tufano who has put in many hours into not only the Fish Fry but all of the other activities going on. A big thanks to everyone.

**Chaplain's Report** was offered by Father Ricardo, who was happy to share that he was preparing for the second round of First Communion celebrations this season. He is also sharing the word of god and prayer through "home visits" with those members of the parish who are sick and homebound. He is new to the area and wanted everyone to know that he is capable to visit anyone who may need a home visit to receive the Sacrament of the Sick and/or the Sacrament of Communion. Please contact Father Ricardo for further details.

**Treasurers' Report:**

Money Received: \$531.75 Dues, plus another \$63.00 in Coffee Hour Donations for a total Inflow of \$594.75 for the month.

Payments Made: \$38.04 to Mike Tufano for Food for the April Business Meeting;  
\$200.00 to Guilford Park&Rec for the Easter Egg Hunt;  
\$250.00 to Allyn Temple, District Master, for Exemplification Ad Book.

Total Outflow for the month was: \$488.04

Which left the Council's account with a Net Total of \$106.71 for the month of April.

**Reading of Bills and Communication:**

Fish Fry related bills included Rich Falcone, AL's Beverage, JJ Sullivan Propane, Pam Asmus & Mike Tufano.

Stamps/Postage by Joe Myer for \$22.00.

**Communications:**

Special Olympics – looking for donation, sponsors & Volunteers.

Guilford Food Bank – looking for supplies for their Stamp Out Hunger campaign.

**Financial Secretary Report:**

- \$280 dues were collected.

**Committee Reports:**

Vinny reiterated that the VIRTUS training is set to take place May8th. He has been working to make sure that all the heads of the Ministries are aware that all their affiliated members have the necessary training. It was also reminded to the group that this is good training for all members to have as it's required for events on church property that involve children. Consider accomplishing this training yourself so that we can always have a VIRTUS trained council member on site.

Vinny also discussed that security at the church should be stepped up in the wake of some instances of items that have gone missing. Joe Nelly also said the parish has discussed increased police patrols and possibly some surveillance cameras.

A lot of activities are going on that the parish. Please look at what's going on, find something that interests you and get involved. They could always use the help.

**Finance Committee** has come out with an Electronic Donations platform to allow for parish members to donate electronically which is not only a faster but also a safer way to donate.

Vinny has also been asked by Father to help with some renovations around the church property. He referenced some painting on the outside of the church.

**Coffee Hour:** went well with a free will donation of \$84. Mother's Day Coffee Hour will include fresh fruit and blueberry pancakes. Grand Knight Falcone gave a special thanks to Sal Candellora who donated \$130 from the homemade crosses that he made and sold.

**Carnival** – Mike Tufano will have a meeting as soon as Carl comes back and then they can set up the first Carnival meeting. Porta Potty company is on board with the Handicapped toilets and the sinks. John's Refuse is all set with garbage pickup. White Elephant- Father is looking to cut down on the donation time to just two weeks as opposed to three weeks. Cow Chip Raffle – Cows have been located and secured for use. It costs \$400. Cow Chip will take place August 10 at 9:00am. Dan and or Carl will take care of securing a permit for this event. Following securing the permit, Ticket Sales will be needed by everyone. To achieve break-even there will need to be 340 tickets sold. Some discussion took place about trying to get ticket sales by as many Council members as possible as well as trying to get some worthy parishioners to participate in sales efforts.

**Fish Fry:** This year turned out to be the 5<sup>th</sup> most successful season ever out of the 11 season this council has been hosting this event. Average sales for all 62 Fish Fry's we have ever had was \$3,900. Average sales this season was \$4,600. A big success in every sense. Discussion took place to try and get the charities into council chambers prior to our June meeting for an official presentation that could also be used as positive publicity for the Council.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Parks&Rec were pleased and plenty of happy kids took part. Numbers were down slightly because the Lake Side Farm also had their Easter Egg Hunt that day as well.

**Halloween Dance and Costume Party:** The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual party is all set for Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be out by the end of August.

**Leadership Council** – Grand Knight Falcone said that Bill Suma is still asking for a volunteer to start up the first annual Leadership Council. Anyone interested see GK Falcone or Mr. Suma.

#### ***Unfinished Business:***

**Dinner Dance** May 18<sup>th</sup> \$30 proceeds to benefit St George Peer Ministry. Dinner, DJ, Singer, ETC.

**Parish Picnic** – September 8<sup>th</sup> – Collaborative effort with the Men's Club. Jacobs Beach being investigated as possible location.

**Family Night Bingo** in the fall is being considered and a date has not been set yet.

**Joe Nelly** wanted to thank everyone for all of the volunteering everyone does to help the parish. Joe and Vinny are both getting positive feedback from the church about all the outstanding work we are doing to further the parish and the community overall.

**Website:** Mike Tufano asked if the website was going to be resurrected or if we were going to go in a different direction altogether. Chris mentioned that he is working on the situation and will try to have an answer soon.

**Mass Text:** Chris reported that the mass text system is up and running. Some mass texts have already been sent out and have been received. This is an excellent way for members to find out what is going on even if they are unable to make meetings. If anyone needs to be added to the system, please contact Chris for addition to the list.

***Under New Business:***

Steve added that during a recent trip to the Monastery he learned about a pamphlet from the Knights for kids who are receiving their confirmation called the "Gift of the Holy Spirit" which is something he would like us to consider distributing within our parish as a keepsake from the council that the kids can keep, hopefully forever, and can have another reminder of their faith. Steve was happy to investigate it further if interest is there.

***Election of Council Officers for 2019/2020 Season:***

**NOMINATIONS:**

Grand Knight – Rich Falcone Jr

Deputy Grand Knight – Mike Tufano

Chancellor – Joe Nelly

Worthy Warden – Dave Kelly

Treasurer – Chris Dill

Recorder – Jim Sellitto

Advocate – Frank Silverman

Inside Guard – Steve Heintz

Outside Guard – Mike Stretch

Trustee 3<sup>rd</sup> Year – Dan Walker

Trustee 2<sup>nd</sup> Year – Michael McDonald

Trustee 1<sup>st</sup> Year – George Asmus

Financial Secretary – Joe Meyers

Chaplin – Father Ricardo Borja

**Vocation Donation** – We have once again been approached for a donation as we have done in the past. It was also recommended that we donate the same seminarian as we have in the past. We will touch base with the bank and make the necessary arrangements. Final recommendation will be made in June.

**Scholarship:** Some discussion was made to perhaps better publicize the Council's scholarship opportunity so that it is better known in the area. This comes on the heels of two consecutive years in which the scholarship was not awarded due to lack of applicants. More discussion on promotion ideas was agreed upon.

**Knight of the Month** was – Mike Tufano

**Family of the Month** was – The Falcone Family.

**Closing Prayer was offered at 9:48pm**