

**The November 6, 2019 Meeting of Knights Council 3928 was called into session at 8:02 pm .**

**Attendance...** was taken with 22 members present and last month's minutes were approved.

**Admissions Committee...** Reported by Joe Nelly. 201 Members and 79 Insurance.

Alan Koerner was nominated as a new member and was approved for membership. Alan works at Sykorsky and has two children that go to the East Shoreline Catholic Academy School.

**Grand Knight Report...** GK Falcone said it was great to see everyone and for having new members being voted in! GK has applications and Intro cards for anyone who would like to have them so they can distribute to prospective members. It's always good to have the materials on hand out!

**Chaplain's Report....** Father mentioned that they will be holding Vertis training on November 19<sup>th</sup>. They are also getting ready for their always successful Community Thanksgiving Dinner. They have more than 100 people signed up already. Father is also looking forward to the upcoming Retreat for the Peer Ministry group which is coming up.

**Treasurer's Report....** Chris presented his detailed report for the month which is available upon request. Net cash flow for the month was \$4037.94. As always Chris's report is available for review if you wish.

**Reading of Bills and Communication:**

**Bills Paid to:** John Saville, Michael Tufano, Anthony's Of Guilford, Rich Falcone, Happy Days Vending. Please see the Treasurer for specific dollar amounts.

**Communications...**

**Archdioceses of Hartford-** Bilius Gift Challenge – Request for a gift.

**Guilford Police Union-** Request for the annual fundraising campaign.

**Crop Walk** – Thank you for all the help we provided.

**Brother Knight Larry DeFrancesco-** Thank you for the thoughts and prayers for his health issues.

**George Zocco** – Giving Tuesday, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>, asking to use this day to create individual fundraisers as part of this campaign. Every council who raises \$1,500 will receive a Coat for Kids credit towards Star and Columbia council awards.

**Patricia Mele** – Thank you for the community picnic

**Financial Secretary Report...** Presented by Chris.....

Receipts reviewed, those are available for individual review.

Currently have 8 members outstanding for two years and none outstanding longer than that.

**Standing Committee Reports...**

**Church Director...** No report.

**First & Second Degree...** Our new member Alan Koerner will be going to new haven on the 18<sup>th</sup> for first degree.

**Coffee Hour...** Next event will be on Nov 10th. All help will be appreciated. December Coffee Hour has been cancelled due to a conflict. Joe Nelly asked if the Welcoming Committee could set up a table in the back of the Coffee Hour. It was agreed to have it during the month of February. Catholic relief services have requested that our April 26<sup>th</sup> coffee hour be held for their benefit.

**Halloween** – 162 tickets, \$1580 raffle, \$36 tips for a total of \$5666 for a profit of \$4307. Motion made to add another \$500 donation to the traditional \$500 donation for this year's charity Smiles Away.

**Fish Fry...** Dan with the help of Dave Kelly was pleased to announce that the sponsorships are complete! Fish Fry's are slated for: Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, and April 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Carnival:** Contract is signed and in place. Event will be held August 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. Signs will start going up in time for the Art Expo in July.

**Tree Lighting** – will be held on December 6<sup>th</sup>

### **Unfinished Business:**

**\*\*Membership Drive** - Steve Heinz followed up on his proposal. He's looking for thoughts, ideas, suggestions to give to Father/Child within our parish for achieving each of the life milestones leading up to ultimately approaching the child for membership once min age has been reached.

Please give some thought and report back at future meetings.

**\*\*Oratory contest**- Joe asked if we could move the date to April 24<sup>th</sup> to keep the event from conflicting with the annual Sleep Out on the green. Date Change was approved.

**\*\*Council & Home Association Agreement Documents** – GK read a motion that was approved by the Home Association (and later approved by the council) that the Home Association legally possess the building and the Council is permitted use without any perception of ownership or attachment.

**\*\*Financial Advisor** – Chris reported that our long-time financial advisor, Conner Gold, has broken away from the firm he was with and started on his own. Chris met with the new financial advisor from Guilford Savings Bank and was not impressed and is extremely comfortable with our long-time advisor who has shown to have our best interests at heart. He pointed out that none of the actual holdings or investments would be altered with this change. Motion was made to follow Chris's suggestion and stay with our current advisor, it was approved.

**\*\*Food Safety** – Mike is looking to take a course at Gateway to become state certified and would like to gain funding from the council to be able to take the course which will benefit both the in-house events and the carnival as well. Course will cost \$800 for the class, which is 18 hours long and will result in Mike being State Certified. The Home Association and the council have agreed to split the cost for this.

**\*\*Veterans 5k Walk**- Tremendous success Tony said everything went well and they were thankful for the tent and all the support.

**\*\*Web Site** - Chris is trying to wrap up some of the officer's pictures for the websites. Also, Plaques will be updated for Brother's who have recently passed.

**\*\*Carnival Shirts** – Vinny unveiled the new Carnival Shirts for next year and gained approval for the purchase of the shirts for the coming year.

**\*\*Abrahams Tent** – Coming this January 10/11. Joe wanted to know if we wanted to do a Dinner, Sleepover, Breakfast for this worthwhile cause. Motion made and approved.

### **Under New Business:**

**\*\*Bob and Dee Jacobs** – Joe Meyers would like us to donate for the event that is being held for the Raise the Roof foundation. Motion made and approved to donate \$100.

**\*\*Gregory Dworak** - Disabled Knight in Madison Looking for some help around his home. Discussion made to find out more about it and to see if he's a VET in which Allyn would be able to hook him up with a group that performs just such this type of activity.

**\*\*St Mary's Church**- Steve Heinz has learned that the roof is leaking at the resting place of Father McGiveney and is proposing we send a donation to the cause. Allyn said he has donation information and will bring that with him to the next meeting so any donation could be put forth in the right direction.

**\*\*Essay Contest**- Joe Nelly reminded everyone of the Essay Contest that is coming up. He is asking that we donate \$75 for 5 prizes for the winners of each division of the contest. Motion made and approved.

**\*\*Fourth Degree...** - 64 New Sir Knights were awarded Fourth Degree on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Second/Third Degree took place recently in Enfield. Next Exemplification will take place in June in at the birthplace of the Knights Of Columbus – St Mary's in New Haven. If anyone knows of a prospective member this

would be a great time to get them into the Knights so they could be eligible for Fourth Degree in time for this once in a lifetime event.

Masters Meeting will be taking place here in Guilford on December 15<sup>th</sup> -8:00 mass followed by breakfast at the Council hall.

**\*\*District Deputy Report... No report.**

**Good of the Order** – Frank Malinowski, Robert Babjack, Mrs Giblin, Joe Meyers mother and father in law.

**Knight of the Month** was – Joe Nelly .

**Family of the Month** was – Falcones.

**Closing Prayer was offered at 9 :50pm**