



1. OPENING

Tim Lyons, Grand Knight, declared the meeting open on Thursday, February 4, 2016?? at 7:30 p.m. with an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Warden vouched that all present held valid membership cards: 22 members were in attendance.

2. ROLL CALL

<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Status</u>
Grand Knight	Tim Lyons	<u>Present</u>
Deputy Grand Knight	Tony Casmus	<u>Present</u>
Chaplain	Rev. Fr. David Flori	<u>Excused</u>
Assistant Chaplain	Rev. Fr. Benito Tamez	<u>Excused</u>
Assistant Chaplain	Rev. Carl Thelin	<u>Present</u>
Assistant Chaplain	Rev. Paul Reittinger	<u>Excused</u>
Assistant Chaplain	Rev. Gustavo Vasquez	<u>Excused</u>
Financial Secretary	Derek Glatz	<u>Present</u>
Chancellor	Joe Prampin	<u>Present</u>
Treasurer	Rick Donnelly	<u>Present</u>
Recorder	Michael Koenecke	<u>Excused</u>
Advocate	Aaron Smith	<u>Present</u>
Warden	Richard Villareal	<u>Present</u>
Trustee 1	Jerry Dreher	<u>Present</u>
Trustee 2	Chris Curto	<u>Present</u>
Trustee 3	Mark Goedecke	<u>Present</u>
Outside Guard	John Danna	<u>Present</u>
Inside Guard	Tony Pirro	<u>Present</u>
Field Agent	N/A	<u>Absent</u>
District Deputy	Reed Fontenot	<u>Excused</u>

3. OPENING ODE AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council then sang the Opening Ode. The reading of minutes from the previous meeting of the Council was suspended until next meeting; they are posted online.

4. REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Grand Knight reported that Ben McKee had gone through his First Degree, and is now officially in our council. There was a good turnout from our council at the ceremony. The Grand Knight noted that it is our duty to ask every eligible Catholic man to join.

5. DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

Postponed.

6. GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



The Grand Knight noted that we are getting a good response to dues statements. Our basketball free throw competition drew 28 contestants in January. The winners went on to the District competition last Sunday, and represented us well. Twelve kids from our parish won, and eight are going on to the Diocese competition on the 21st at Bishop Dunne; the Grand Knight encouraged members to attend and cheer them on. reminded members that dues and reports of our service hours are due now, and thanked those who had already paid. Bob Seegmiller said that it would mean a lot to the kids and their parents if we would attend the Diocese competition to support them. The competition will be at 2:00 p.m. on the 21st at Bishop Dunne School.

Ken Brown with RCIA requested we give them 25 of our blue books and some of our rosary rings. The Grand Knight attended the DDC meeting last Saturday representing our Council: they covered a lot of topics at the meeting. The pro-life presentation of checks to Birth Choice, the White Rose, Catholic radio, and a couple of other organizations was especially memorable. Bob Seegmiller reported that a total of \$95,000 out of \$102,000 raised by the Hike for Life was distributed. He also reported on an organization called Sidewalks for Life that does sidewalk counseling, and have saved 1,000 babies in the last couple of years.

The Bishop's Pro Life Dinner will be April 16 at the Irving Convention Center, and we have a pack of raffle tickets to sell for that. There is a reception for Roger Scott, our Diocesan Deputy, who is retiring from that role, on June 18. The DDC is collecting for a book of memories to present to him there.

Our service hour and year end report forms were turned in on time, thanks to our Financial Secretary, who was applauded by the Council for his diligence.

The council also recognized Joe Semler, who was honored this past weekend with the Bishop's service award. Joe said there were plenty of folks at the council who would also have qualified, and was applauded by the Council. Joe also noted that Maryan Schirm from our parish was also honored.

7. INSURANCE AGENT'S REPORT

No report.

8. CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

Deacon Carl Thelin passed on Father David's remarks about Lent starting next Wednesday with 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Masses. There will also be Adoration that Wednesday. A list of Lent events will be in the next parish bulletin, and we hope for good participation.

9. TREASURERS AND FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORTS

The Treasurer, Rick Donnelly, reported that we have \$19,105.14 in the bank. We should have some more dues and a couple of Bingos coming in, so that should increase. The Financial Secretary reported on \$470.00 expenses for the month (mainly per capita to Supreme, plus some rosary cards), and brought in \$3,500 (mainly dues) in the last month. 70 members are current, 50 members are delinquent, and a few of them are delinquent for more than one year. We are trying



to reach out via word of mouth.

10. AUDITORS AND TRUSTEES REPORT

Chris Curto said the semiannual audit was completed successfully and easily, and has been submitted to Supreme and confirmed.

11. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Joe Prampin relayed Glenn Angel's report that the Divine Mercy Chaplet has been going on every Sunday after 9:15 Mass, we have regular Adoration, and just finished corporate Mass with good attendance. There is a Lenten Mission coming up; the parish bulletin has all the details. There are men's and women's ACTS retreats coming up in March (the 10th and 17th). A painting was presented at the DDC midyear meeting to be displayed at parishes. There was a record turnout at the most recent Bingo at the Gardens (30); we also had the lowest number of Knights show up to help. The next one is in the middle of March. Joe Semler reported that Meals on Wheels comes around every other Thursday, and Jerry Dreher helps out. Joe Semler said additional volunteers would be welcome. Jerry Dreher said he was making progress on the choir setup; eight Knights signed up last month to help with setup. They have taken a lot of pressure off on the regulars. They still need some people in March to help. The Spring Creek barbecue turnout after corporate communion was very good. Jerry is looking to schedule another Spring Creek fundraiser as soon after Easter as is practicable.

Bob Fisher, Council Director, reported that the Ronald McDonald house event is on March 30, where we will be serving dinner. We can bring about 12 people; we have six currently signed up and two maybes. He has not contacted the Austin Street Shelter yet; it is a little more complicated than helping at the Ronald McDonald House.

Chris Curto, Family Director, reported on the dinner and Bingo held this past Saturday: we served about 125 people. Roger Seberger, Tom McNamara, and Mark were serving, Richard and Joe Semler were cleaning up, Bernie and Jerry handling the Bingo, Joe Prampin and Tony Casmus, Ron helped Chris cook. \$1,459.50 was raised; expenses were just under \$700, so we made just over \$750 on the event. The next Bingo will be on Friday, March 18, after the Men's Club fish fry. We will also do the Marian Way of the Cross that night. Joe Prampin thanked Roger Seberger for helping sell Bingo cards.

Jim Massey reported that we put down and took up the dance floor, raising \$150. Bill Archer, Youth Director, handled the free throw competition.

Bob Seegmiller reported on the successful Roe v. Wade memorial events downtown, attended by about 2,000 (lower attendance due to weather). The bishop's Pro Life Dinner is coming up on April 16; he will be trying to generate some interest in attending. We may be asked to make a monetary contribution to offset the cost of the Roger Scott retirement celebration.

Joe Prampin asked to be excused from the next weekend, as he will be in New Zealand celebrating his 50th anniversary with his wife.



12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Grand Knight asked for unfinished business: Jim Massey said he met with Phil Abrego with the Men's Club about increasing participation in the memorial around the flag pole at the school. Deacon Carl Thelin noted that St. Joseph recently announced that Father Jason Cargill will be taking over at St. Joseph's, after Father Tim Hines recently resigned. Chris Curto said that the Men's Club is investigating installing an open pit barbecue in the parking lot of the Parish Center, and will be asking for a contribution from the Knights to help.

13. NEW BUSINESS

The Grand Knight asked for new business: Jerry Dreher recommended that we acquire shelving for our storage room in the Parish Center. Mark Goedecke proposed that a committee be formed to look into the process of awarding our scholarships. The school principal is willing to help.

14. REPORT OF THE FOURTH DEGREE

Jim Massey reported that their big deal will be at the cathedral for the ordination of the new bishop on the day after Ash Wednesday.

15. INSURANCE AGENT'S REPORT

We do not currently have an agent assigned to us.

16. WRAP-UP AND CLOSING

The Grand Knight read the names from the current sick and distressed list, and accepted additions. He asked for the Good of the Order. The Grand Knight then closed the meeting with a Hail Mary prayer and the closing ode: the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

