

St Molua Minutes of August 14, 2023 In Person Business Meeting

Roll Call of Officers

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| Grand Knight | John DeCarlo | P | Recorder | PGK Keith Lisak | P |
| Chaplain | Rev. Steve Giuliano | E | Inside Guard | Richard Blackman | P |
| Deputy Grand Knight | Chris Simon | P | Outside Guard | Robert Reilly | P |
| Chancellor | Freddy Jalot | P | Worthy 1 Yr. Trustee | PGK Charles Lowe | E |
| Treasurer | Mike Rennie | P | Worthy 2 Yr. Trustee | PGK Timothy Morris | P |
| Financial Secretary | PGK Jack Fowler | P | Worthy 3 Yr. Trustee | PGK Greg Washburn | E |
| Advocate / Lecturer | Dr. Anthony Policastro | P | Warden | PGK Robert Gay | P |

Members Present: Officers [11], Joe Kelly, DD John McCartney for a total of [13].

Call to Order / Opening Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance: @ 0800 PM.

Reading of the Minutes:

- The minutes from the July meeting were not read as they are on the council's website. GK asked if there were any corrections. With none being brought up a motion was made by DGK Chris Simon to suspend the reading of the minutes, seconded by Mike Rennie. The motion was approved by those in attendance.

Chaplain's Message:

- No report from Fr G as he was not present.

Grand Knight's Report:

- GK announced the installation of the Council Officers will be on Monday the 28th of August. Dress will be Business Casual.

Financial Report: Worthy Treasurer:

- Worthy Treasurer Mike Rennie was present and the council's current checkbook balance and Scholarship Account Balance. The information has been provided to council members separately.

Membership Report: Worthy Membership Director:

- Worthy DGK Chris Simon reported that the council has a new member, Tracy Townsend. Tracy will be taking his 1st degree on the 21st of August 2023. Remember to welcome him when you see him.

Program reports:

- Worthy Insurance:** The Worthy Insurance Agent not present and nothing was provided via email.
- R2Life:** Deacon Nick Donofrio indicated that the Knights presence continues to be needed every Monday morning at the Mears Building to bring attention to the abortions taking place inside.
- Worthy DD:** The new DD John McCartney was present.
 - He provided the following message:
- HEBREWS 13:16 "Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have; God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind."

September State Items (all in New Castle County)

9/19 Little Sisters of the Poor Nun Run – Jeanne Jugan Residence

9/10 State Picnic – Craigmoor Club

9/14 State Information Meeting – Claymont

Items from the Supreme Convention held Aug 1-3

Our State Deputy Rich DeZao has been appointed to the Supreme Committee “Greetings to Heads of State”

General Condition of the Order (Globally) – All figures as of June 30, 2023

Total gain of 99,533 members, Total loss of 57,729 members, Net increase of 41,804 members.

Total order membership of 2,084,191 as of June 30, 2023. This is an all-time high.

As of June 30, 2023, Delaware has 35 Councils with a total membership of 4,101.

Up from 4029 members as of June 30, 2022.

Global 4th Degree – Again All figures as of June 30, 2023.

Total intake of 13,745 of members, Total decrease of 14,300 members, A net loss of 555 members.

Reminder that Semi-Annual Audit Due 8/15 to those who have not yet submitted.

- - **Worthy 4th Degree representative:** Worthy Faithful Navigator Dr Anthony [reported via email]
 - The Medal of Honor Ceremony for Father Capodanno took place on Tuesday August 1st at 10 AM at the Air Mobility Command Museum in Dover. Approximately 60 individuals from our Councils were in attendance. The Dialog filmed a podcast about the upcoming event on July 11th. The video premiered on July 20th at 5 AM on the diocese' You Tube channel. Link is:
 - https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=Air+Mobility+Command+Museum&sp=EiG4AQHCA RtDaElKRmFwWWtNZGp4NGtSNiY0NFZDbXFvUDQ%253D
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 - The Assembly won the Civic Award for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.
 - The Assembly's submission for the To Be a Patriot Award for the Laying of the Wreaths activity in December 2022 was forwarded to the Province as the submission for our District.
 - Since the Georgetown Library is not available for the November meeting, it will take place at St Edmund's at 5:30 PM on November 20th.
 - **Family/ Knight of the Month:** PGK Greg (via email) indicated that he has a candidate for August 2023.
 - **Vocation:** No report from Fr G.
 - **Community PGK Greg:** was not present and therefore there was no report.
 - **Retention PGK Tim Morris:** PGK Tim indicated that there was nothing to report.
 - **Faith, Fred Jalot:** Brother Freddy indicated that the next Living Rosary will 23 October 2023.
 - **Widows Report:** PGK Lisak stated that the August monthly Widows Wellness or Birthday cards have been mailed. To date, PGK Lisak and Brother Bob Reilly have spent 30 hours on 4 different days working at Sharon Feltwater's moving, cutting, and installing sheets of bead board in her utility room. There is still a need for several Knights to volunteer to help remove bad decking boards behind her house. Anyone with a truck to move the boards to the dump would be a help. Contact PGK Lisak @ 443-838-2540.
 - **Report of the Trustees:** No Reports
- Unfinished Business:**
- **October Dinner Dance:** This fall's October Dinner Dance Fundraiser status. The date is Saturday October the 28th 2023.

- The council is having the event catered as it was last year. As of the meeting, Maria's has indicated that they are willing to cater again this year. The council has not received her estimate for this year. GK John DeCarlo has several estimates and is waiting on one more. Dr Anthony was asked to get an estimate from Maria's.
- Cost of the tickets was discussed whether to keep it at \$20 as last year or increase it to \$ 25. PGK Jack Fowler made a motion to increase the cost to \$ 25; it was seconded by DGK Chris Simon. It was approved by all in attendance.
- Printing of the tickets is being delayed pending selection of the caterer.
- Kitchen crew volunteers as of this meeting are: PGK Tim Morris and Jack Fowler, Brother Freddy Jalot
- Miscellaneous dinnerware, plates, cups, utensils Inventory by GK DeCarlo and PGK Lisak
- COVID restrictions: Dr Anthony indicates there are none at this time.
- Liquor license will be handled by Office Manager Lynn like last year
- Insurance, Ticket Sales, Control and money collection will be handled by PGK Jack Fowler
- Advertizing in The Guide and other papers will be handled by Fred Jalot and PGK Tony Lowe
- Items to be taken care of but not yet assigned include:
 - Liquor, Soda, drinks, Desserts
- PGK Lisak announced that he will be getting with Barbara Newell of Angel Tree to determine the make up for the 6 boxes of coats. Deadline for ordering is 9/03/2023. Check is due 9/15/2023.
- PGK Lisak indicated that the food items identified by PGK Joe Lynch have been purchased and delivered.
- PGK Lisak indicated that the Keep Christ in Christmas items identified for purchase at the July Business Meeting were ordered via text from the State Representative PGK Joe Stackler via text on July 21st. There has been no confirmation that the order was received or when the items will be delivered or available. Deadline for ordering was Friday July 28, 2023.

New Business:

- GK asked if there were any bills that need to be approved. There were none.
- GK brought up the subject of replacing the ice machine. After some discussion the subject was tabled for future direction.
- Brother Joe Kelley informed the council that the church will be having a coffee and donuts get together every Sunday [starting August 20] from 9 to 10:30 AM in the parish hall. He is inviting the council and will be accepting any help.

Good of the Order:

- Dr Anthony indicated that because of the meeting's late start, due to the Holy Day Mass, there would be no Good of the Order or Lecturer Reflection.
- The 50/50 Raffle held on the 14th of August was won by Dr Anthony Policastro. The Pot of Gold was won by Brother Richard Rice. As Richard was not present, no Pot of Gold money was awarded.
- The 50/50 Raffle held on the 10th of July was won by PGK Tony Lowe. The Pot of Gold was won by Ernest Hosse. As Ernest was not present, no Pot of Gold money was awarded.
- There was no 50/50 Raffle held on the 26th of June as that social meeting was used for awards.
- The 50/50 Raffle held on the 12th of June was won by the PGK Bob Gay. The Pot of Gold was won by Bill Evaristo. As Bill was not present, no Pot of Gold money was awarded.

