

St Molua Minutes of April 8, 2024 In Person Business Meeting

Roll Call of Officers

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/ Lecturer	Walt Lutman	P
Chancellor	Freddy Jalot	P	Worthy 1 Yr. Trustee	PGK Charles Lowe	P
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	P
Advocate	Dr. Anthony Policastro	E	Warden	PGK Robert Gay	P

Members Present: Officers [12], Joe Kelley, DD Mike McCartney and PGK Rob Donati for a total of [15].

Call to Order / Opening Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance: @ 0730 PM. The Grand Knight opened the meeting with a prayer [Our Father] and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading of the Minutes: The minutes from the March 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 Simon to suspend the reading of the minutes, it was seconded by PGK Bob Gay and the motion was approved by all in attendance.

Chaplain's Message: No report from Fr G as he was not present.

Grand Knight's Report:

- GK John reported that the Coffee and Donut group still needs help Sunday morning.
- GK John DeCarlo reported that he has completed the Safe Environment Training Course. He provided the completion form to the Financial Secretary PGK Jack Fowler. PGK Jack will scan the form and electronically send it to Supreme everyone who needs a copy. The completion of this training and submission of this form should return the council to a **COMPLIANT** status. This will make the council eligible for awards this fraternal year.

Financial Report: Worthy Treasurer:

- Worthy Treasurer Mike Rennie was present and provided the council balances.

Membership Report: Worthy Membership Director: Worthy DGK Chris Simon had nothing to report.

Program reports:

- **Worthy Insurance:** The Worthy Insurance Agent was not present. However he sent an email for FBN on April the 24th. The event is online.
- **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:** DD John McCartney was present.
 - DD remarks from last night's meeting for the record.
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 - **Colossians 3:15** : And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful.

- May 10-12 – State Convention
- Tom Firestone has been re-elected as Fourth Degree District Master.
- Fourth Degree meetings will be held 4/15, 5/20 and 6/17.
- This is the last quarter of the Columbian year. There is still time to get those remaining members to meet or exceed quota. Hold the FBNs for your membership.
- Continue to submit Form 10784, Fraternal Programs Report each month to get credit for all the work you do.
- Plan Ahead Items:
 - May 1 – June 15 – Election of Council Officers. Also, give thought to Officer Installation and work with me to schedule those after July 1.
 - Columbian Award Application (#SP-7) – Due no later than 6/30 but strive to get into Supreme earlier.
- **Family/ Knight of the Month:** PGK Greg was present and indicated that he has a candidate for family of the month.
- **Vocation:** No report from Fr G.
- **Community:** PGK Rob Donati had nothing to report at this time.
- **Worthy 4th Degree representative:** Worthy Faithful Navigator Dr Anthony was not present but provided the following via email:
 - 1. Next Fourth Degree Exemplification is on April 20th. Trifold for the event was sent out by e-mail on March 18th. Checks should be made out to the Assembly and sent with the trifold and Form 4 to our Faithful Comptroller Mike Pfarr.
 - 2. The May 31 dinner dance tickets are now on sale for \$30 per person. It will be at St Jude's in Lewes. Mass will be at 5, dinner at 6 and dance music at 7. It will be catered by Bethany Blues. The Vital Signs band will provide the music. We hope to see at least one table representing each Council. At the meeting the decision was made to open up tickets to other interested friends of the Knights. PGK Lisak has tickets for the council. He can be contacted by email @ KeithLisak@gmail.com or by phone 443.838.2540, or at one of the council's meetings.
 - 3. A copy of the names of individuals who have not yet paid their 2024 Assembly dues have been sent to the Financial Secretaries of the Councils to make sure we have the correct contact information.
- **Retention PGK Tim Morris:** PGK Tim was present. PGK Tim reported that he had called those that have not paid their dues. The Knights Alerts went out on the 13th of February. No additional action at this time.
- **Faith: Brother Freddy Jalot:** Brother Freddy had nothing to report at this time.
- **Widows Report:** PGK Lisak stated that the April monthly Widows Wellness cards went out April the 4th. The council now has 13 widows. There are only four POC. Anyone interested in becoming a Point of Contact (POC), contact PGK Lisak.
- **Report of the Trustees:** No Reports

Unfinished Business:

- Final report on the Lenten Fish Dinner: As of 3-22-2024 the Council, with the help from many of the church's parishioners have provided 403 Lenten meals. This includes 304 Fish Dinners, 51 Gluten Free Lasagnas, 25 slices of pizza and 23 grilled cheese sandwiches. The meals included 126 servings of

Scalloped Potatoes, 191 serving of Macaroni & Cheese, 148 serving of Glazed Carrots, 210 servings of Green Beans and 269 serving of Coleslaw. Total income was \$ 5,838. 50 /50 raffles profit was \$ 410. Total expenses were \$ 2,656. Money to the Scholarship fund \$ 2,296. Money to the council \$ 1,296.

- PGK Washburn informed the council that the scholarship application dateline has passed and that there are two strong candidates to be evaluated.
- At the March Business meeting, Brother Joe Kelley informed the Council that Fr. G has requested that the council sponsor his retirement service after the 9 AM Mass on June the 23, 2024. After further discussion, a motion was made by PGK Donati and seconded by DGK Simon to rescind the previous motion and instead participate in the service after the Saturday evening Mass so that the council can present a certificate and gift to Fr G. Additionally the motion included making a monetary donation to help support the retirement services. The amount will be determined after discussion with the retirement overall coordinator. It was approved by all in attendance. Additional details are to be provided by Brother Joe Kelley at the next Business meeting.
- Brother Walt Lutman provided the slate of officers for the next Fraternal Year to the council. The election will be held at the May Business meeting. The election will be run by Brother Walt Lutman. Nominations will be accepted from the floor right up to the actual vote.

Slate of Officers for Fraternal year 2024 to 2025

Grand Knight	Christopher Simon		Recorder	PGK Keith Lisak	
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New Business:

- GK asked if there were any unbudgeted bills that need to be approved. None were brought up.

Good of the Order:

- PGK Lisak provided the following information for the good of the order
 - St Polycarp will be holding their 5th Annual Parish Buffet Dinner and Golf Tournament on June 30, 2024. Additional information is on Flock Notes.
 - Brother Sal Guinta will be having knee surgery on May 15th. He will need transportation to get to therapy. Please contact PGK Rob Donati if you can help.
 - Any 1st or 2nd degree member of the council wishing to advance their degree can take advantage of a Formal Exemplification to be held at St Jude’s on May the 8th. Additional information can be found on our council’s website. <https://www.kofc4075.com>

The Good of the Order was presented by Brother Walter Lutman. Brother Walt reported on the Saint of the Day. **Saint Billiard** A.D. 1751–1816

- At age 16, Julie witnessed her father get shot while they were working in the family store. This traumatic experience led to a mysterious illness in which Julie became paralyzed, unable to walk. But it

was during this time of suffering that Julie became known as the “smiling saint,” as she spread joy to all who would come to see her and she even taught catechism lessons from her bed. After twenty-two years of paralysis, she decided to pray a novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and ask for healing. Suddenly, in the midst of this novena, she could feel her legs. It was slow at first, but she tried sitting up. It worked. So she tried standing up, and she knew a miracle had taken place. She was healed. “Ah! How good is the good God!” That became Saint Julie Billiard’s motto from that day on.

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- The 50/50 Raffle held on the 8th of April was won by Brother Joe Kelley. The Pot of Gold drawing was also won by Brother Joe Kelley.
- The 50/50 Raffle held on the 11th of March was won by Brother Walt Lutman. There was no Pot of Gold drawing.
- The 50/50 Raffle held on the 12th of February was won by PGK Bob Gay. The Pot of Gold was won by Brother Mike Mulrine. Brother Mike was not in attendance and therefore no Pot of Gold money was distributed.

Closing Prayer:

- Before proceeding to the closing prayer, those in attendance added members to the prayer list.
- Prayer list currently includes:

- Chuck Burton
- John & Jo Ann Batistta
- Louise Gay
- Paul Zamberlan
- GK John De Carlo
- Mary Ritz
- Rev. Steve Giuliano
- Maria Fowler, Mother of PGK Jack Fowler,
- Jeri Adams, Brother Mike Rennie’s Sister-in Law
- Marie Donofrio, wife of Deacon Nick Donofrio
- Kevin Lisak (Twin brother of PGK Keith Lisak, on dialysis due to kidney failure).
- Debra Kieszowski [Cousin of PGK Keith Lisak, Fighting lung cancer]

- Edward Grabowski
- District Master Tom Firestone
- Sal Guinta
- Joe Houtman
- Theresa Henson
- Eileen Flynn
- Nancy Rennie

- GK lead the group in the closing prayer [MARY, QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS] as the council prayed for the sick and distressed and closed the meeting.
- The meeting was closed at 8:22 PM.

As of this time, the next meeting will be the Council’s Social meeting on Monday, April 22, 2024 at 7:30 PM in the parish hall.