

St Molua Minutes of March 14, 2022 In Person Meeting

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

Members Present: # Officers [6], Russ Moore, Rich Buturla, PGK Joe Lynch & Dick Blackman. total [10].

DGK CHRIS SIMON RAN THE MEETING.

Call to Order / Opening Prayer by Fr G/ Pledge of Allegiance: @ 0730 PM.

Reading of the Minutes:

- The minutes from the February meeting were not read as they are available on the Council's Website. Minutes from the previous meeting were passed by those in attendance.

Chaplains Message:

- No report from Fr G was not present.

Grand Knights Report:

- GK reports the Spring 2022 Fraternal Benefit Night has one night left. Last night is in Camden DE 19 April 2022. It will be In Person and Virtual. Council needs two attendees to get credit for the Founder's Award.
- Council still needs a recorder. Brother Freddy Jalot has volunteered to be 2nd Yr Trustee.

Financial Report: Worthy Treasurer and PGK Greg Washburn:

- No financial report as PGK Greg Washburn was not present.

Membership Report: Worthy Membership Director: DGK Chris Simmons report

- DGK Chris Simon reported that the council currently has 89 members at this time.
- DGK Simon read in the transfer of Brother Richard Rice.

Program reports:

- **Worthy Insurance** Agent report provided the following input via email:
- Council Meeting Message March 2022
- March arrives and Lent begins on the very next day, March 2. We all know that Lent is the time of preparation for Easter. It begins on Ash Wednesday and ends with Holy Thursday. In order to prepare to celebrate the Lord's resurrection we are to exercise self-control and self-denial by fasting. We are encouraged to encounter Christ in the reading of Scripture and we are to serve others by the giving of alms.
- When I was a kid, the "go to" self-denial was giving up chocolate...made those chocolate Easter bunnies most tasty! I think a lot of us are creatures of habit when it comes to self-denial. We continue on the same path, "giving up" the same things each year. Although self-denial is important as a practice,

I've gotten a little older and a bit more introspective. I try to think of positive things to do rather than what I want to give up. Here are some of the things on a personal level that I'm going to try: Devote some time each day to reading Scripture. I'm not going to read whole books or commit to something I can't achieve, but for 10 minutes each day I'm going to read the Good Book. I think reading scripture every day is good habit to nurture.

- Rather than "giving up" I'm going to try to "give away." It doesn't help anyone...other than me...if I give up chocolate again this year. But if I give away to the poor, that can have a positive effect on me and on someone else. God has blessed me with so many material blessings I can afford to part with some. And that includes money. I'm determined to be more generous this Lent.
- As men of faith let's take advantage of some of the many program offerings during Lent. Some of these programs are done diocesan-wide, some at the local parish level, and many councils have special programs for prayer and reflection. If you are able perhaps you can lead or help lead a program at your council. I know for me, being involved with other men of faith strengthens me.
- As we prepare spiritually for this new liturgical season of Lent, don't forget the temporal. Tempus fugit, memento mori! I am honored to carry on our blessed founder's vision of protecting Catholic families.

R2Life: No report from Deacon Nick Donofrio

Worthy DD: No Report

Family PGK Greg No report for March.

Vocation: No report as Fr G was not present.

Community PGK Greg: No report as PGK Greg was not present.

Squires PGK Greg Washburn: No report as PGK Greg was not present.

Retention PGK Joe Lynch: PGK Lynch had nothing to report.

- **Faith, Fred Jalot:** Freddy Jalot mentioned that the Knights will do the Stations of the Cross on 2 nights that do not fall during the Fish dinners because of staffing. The nights that he brought up were on 3-18-22 and 4-1-22. Freddy mentioned also recommended on having at least 5 Knights present. Tony Lowe said he would hold the cross and DGK Simon volunteered to hold one of the candles during this process. Deacon Jim will be there for the singing. Freddy mentioned that Knights that plan to attend to be present by 6:45 pm as the stations start at 7 pm.
- **Widows Report:** GK provided a status of the Widows program. Monthly the widows continue to receive a Wellness check note and a card. March's wellness card was a St Patrick's Day greeting and went out last week. We still need volunteers to support this effort as the goal is one Knight per Widow. Currently we have 10 Widows and 3 Knights. Need to discuss inviting the Widows to the Lenten Dinners and Paying for their meals.

Report of the Trustees: No reports.

Unfinished Business:

- The topic of the Fish dinners was brought up and Freddy Jalot mentioned that ads were placed in the Guide under Spring Events and Religious Events.
- Joe Lynch mentioned that he got a slip from the state stating that the kitchen needed to be inspected. He mentioned that he had the inspector and Joe stated that the kitchen had passed inspection.
- Joe also mentioned that 9 tables were to be set in the parish hall for the fish dinners. He also mentioned that placemats were needed so he informed Jack Fowler to see if he could order more placemats from Supreme.

- Request for Cole slaw was mentioned by Tony Lowe and looking to the fact of ordering it from Stargate Restaurant. Brother Robert Fitzner volunteered to make the Cole slaw and provide the carrots.
- Tony Lowe had mentioned that cakes would be served for dessert and asked for 2 more cakes.
- Dr. Tony Policastro had mentioned the 4th degree dinner dance by the Assembly on 5-20-22. Tony also mentioned that he will bring in the tickets from the 4th degree meeting to the Social Meeting. He also added that he needs a head count of those buying tickets by 4-20-22. He also brought up that this event was catered by Bethany Blues.

New Business:

- PGK and Financial Secretary Jack Fowler mentioned that there are 4 members being chased for dues and another 2 members are requesting a withdrawal.
- The issue of fundraising for the council was brought up by Joe Lynch. He recommended making Easter eggs as this was done in the past. Dr. Tony Policastro also mentioned attempting to resurrect the Octoberfest that was also done in the past.

Good of the Order: Dr Anthony

- Dr. Tony Policastro addressed to the council of those present about the effects of hearing loss.

Lecturer Reflection: Dr Anthony

- No Report.

Closing Prayer:

- Before proceeding to the closing prayer, those in attendance added members to the prayer list.
- DGK lead the group in the closing prayer [MARY, QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS] as we pray for the sick and distressed and closed the meeting.
- The meeting was closed at 8:10 PM.

As of this time the next meeting will be Monday, March 28, 2022 in the parish hall @ 7:30 PM