

## **K of C Council 3670 Meeting Minutes December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

A Rosary was recited and Grand Knight Joe Ciaccio opened the meeting. There was a quorum with 12 members present. The roll was called. Officers excused: Phil Car, Mark Sissons, Joe Murray and Bob Marinchick. Officers absent: Norm Balwinski. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

**Admissions:** no report

### **Grand Knight's Report:**

Our KOVAR goal this year is \$1600. We have received insurance forms to collect at Kroger's and Giant Food stores. State membership director George Kuhlow spoke for us at Holy Comforter church in an effort to increase our council's membership. We need help at both Holy Comforter and Incarnation churches to pass out membership literature at the masses. We also need help manning the membership stands after masses. Our goal for new council members this year is eight. Thank you to Stan Sokolowski and Tom O'Rourke for their work in the "Keeping Christ in Christmas" program. We will continue to have Social Meetings the first Tuesday every month. Officers will meet at 7pm followed by the social meeting thereafter. Brothers are encouraged to bring their wives and use a "pot luck" format to provide the food at each meeting. Some type of entertainment such as speakers or a musical presentation was discussed. Making a donation to the Courage Lion Foundation was also considered. Fostering a healing support group for the Culture of Life was also discussed. Virginia Stands For Life will have a rally on Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at the Capitol Belltower. Information for this event can be found at:

<http://www.vachristian.org>.

**Treasurer's Report:** As of November 30th, our checking account balance was \$2969.

### **Financial Secretary's Report:**

Receipts: \$ 316.00 Deposit  
104.00 Keep Christ in Christmas  
17.00 HC  
Expenses: \$13.59 pancake breakfast  
36.00 VA State Council

Quotas for 2012-13: New members 8--to date 0. Insurance--to date 0.

Current council membership figures are: Associate Members: 83, Insurance members 24; Inactive members 13, for a total of 120. Notices for yearly dues will be going out via e-mail and U.S. Mail.

### **Communications:**

The council received a thank-you card from our sponsored candidate for the priesthood, Henry Ayakwah. He thanked us for our donation and asked us to pray for the success of his ministry.

**Auditors and Trustees:** no report

**Vocations:** no report

**Chancellor's Report:**

Norm Balwinski announced that we would be working with the Boy Scouts to host a blood drive at Incarnation Church on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>.

On Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> our council will host a pancake breakfast in the activities center at Incarnation to benefit our council. For this breakfast we need as many volunteers as possible; as we will be setting up the center, doing all the cooking and serving, and cleaning up afterwards. Contact Norm Balwinski to volunteer.

**Service Program Committees:**

**Family Director:**

Tom O'Rourke reported on his attendance at the funerals of Buzz Goforth and Nate Long. He submitted detailed information on both to the Recorder. A sympathy card was sent to the Long family from the council. Tom mentioned that attendance at both funerals was low for council Brothers and that there was really no Knights of Columbus "presence" at either funeral. **Brothers need to contact one another in the event of a Brother's passing and make the effort to attend these funerals in the future as a group.**

**Church Director:** Stan Sokolowski reported on his progress with assembling sample recruitment packages at St. George's Church. He has developed a pulpit and church bulletin announcement to be used for a month while the recruitment packages are displayed in the Fellowship Hall. He also displayed examples of the coats for the "Coats for Children" program for parishioners to see what their donations had purchased. Proceeds from the sale of Christmas cards at the church totaled \$103.

**Youth Director:** Frank O'Donnell announced that there were 110 students who participated in the council's Free Throw Championship that took place at CCS on Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Arrangements were made for the students to shoot free throws during their normal gym classes during the day. For the first time, our council will be sending both boys and girls council champions in both age divisions to the District competition in Culpeper in January. The winners were notified and Certificates of Award were mailed to their homes. There will be a trophy presentation to the four winners in front of all students at mass on Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at CCS. Frank thanked Larry Hance, Norm Balwinski and the physical activities director Laura Moran for their help in holding the competition.

**Community Director:**

Council Director--no report

Family Director--no report

Pro-Life Director--no report

Public Relations—no report

**Standing Committees Report:** no report

### **Unfinished Business:**

Bill Phillips reported on the success of the council's Christmas party held at the Timberwood Grill on Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Norm Balwinski reported on the car trip to carry retired priests living at Our Lady of Peach to the Bishop's Annual Luncheon in Richmond. Bill Phillips and Bob Marinchick also accompanied the retired priests. Our council members had lunch with the Bishop and it was good exposure for our council to provide this service.

Dave Gamache reported that we have collected \$3000 for the purchase of children's coats to be distributed locally. 144 coats have been ordered so far with hopes of ordering 44 more.

### **New Business:**

It was suggested that we take donations for KOVAR at our pancake breakfast at Incarnation church on April 7<sup>th</sup> and that we continue to take donations for tootsie rolls outside of church to help achieve our \$1600 goal. Last year our efforts raised \$1200.

Jesse Boechermann thanked the council for all the help given during our last pancake breakfast. \$840 was raised for PACEM from the breakfast.

Tom O'Rourke announced that the search committee had found a nominee to succeed Chuck Rockacy as Deputy Grand Knight, council warden Jesse Boechermann. A motion was made for any other nominations. There were none, and a motion was made and approved that Jesse become our new DGK for the remainder of the council year.

The idea was proposed by Rory Kreiger that we host a Super Bowl party in February. Chuck Rockacy and Rory will investigate this possibility.

We were reminded of our upcoming Trustees Report and audit.

**4<sup>th</sup> Degree Report:** The annual 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Christmas party has been moved to Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at a location to be determined.

**Good of the Order:** Naomi and Matt Sissons, Colette Hall, Marianne Marinchick.

Our next Council meeting will be held **Monday, January 21st, 2013** at the stone chapel on the grounds of the Church of the Incarnation. The Rosary will be recited at 7:15 PM with the meeting starting at 7:30 PM. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. This is YOUR council, please lend your opinion and experience at our monthly meetings.

--Respectfully submitted, F.X. O'Donnell 1/1/2013.

**We invite all practicing Catholic men that want to help others and give back to their church and community to consider joining our council. To learn more about our organization please contact Grand Knight Joe Ciaccio at [jiacci5450@hotmail.com](mailto:jiacci5450@hotmail.com).**