



I. **Call to Order – Terry Kruse**



Motion to suspend normal business rules Jim Isobaker 2nd by Doug Cox, motion passes.

Visitors: Cari Higgins and Margaret Spikes - Sisters of St. Luke's  
- They're the women who are called when the church needs something.  
- Not a fundraising group. Service focused, lots of opportunities for women to get involved, though volunteering isn't required to be involved.  
- Quarterly meetings, start with prayer  
- Next meeting is Apr 21, Tuesday after Easter

Stacy Terrill - Agape - Des Moines  
- Discussed some of the news regarding their new building. They plan on using it as an education and resource center.  
- They have done 78 pregnancy tests already this year.  
- Expanding services to the people who need support, and who are willing to  
- Serves over 3000 a year  
- Has 7 employees, but mostly relies on volunteers  
- Is working to get the fathers involved, trying to expand the amount of men volunteers  
- Very appreciative of the diaper drive and support from our parish. Support from donations is what keeps them doing what needs done. Thank you.

Brothers, we are about to open this council in the first section. All persons not having received the honors of membership in the first section shall please retire from the chamber. The doors shall now be closed and the guards assume their positions.

II. **Warden's Report on Membership Cards – Tony McKillip**

Worthy Warden, do you vouch that all present are in possession of a current membership card?  
(Response: Worthy Grand Knight, I vouch that all present are in possession of a current membership card.)

Does so vouch.

III. **Opening Prayer –**



IV. **Pledge of Allegiance – Terry Kruse**

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



V. **Roll Call of Officers**

Officers are to remain standing until The Worthy Recorder calls your name.



<i>Position:</i>	<i>Officer:</i>	<i>Present/Excused:</i>
Chaplain	Fr. Ken Halbur	E
Grand Knight	Terry Kruse	P
Deputy Grand Knight	Todd Cogdill	P
Chancellor	Jason Richards	E
Recorder	Mitch Geistkemper	P
Treasurer	Mike Roarty	P
Financial Secretary	Jim Roths	P
Advocate	Tom Joensen	E
Warden	Tony McKillip	P
Inside Guard	Dave Clark	P
Outside Guard	Dave Grebasch	P
Trustee	Jason Madison	E
Trustee	Steve Crann	E
Trustee	Paul Moritz	P
Lecturer	Dn Matt Halbach	E

27 members present

VI. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting –** The Worthy Recorder has provided the minutes from our last official meeting (no previous meeting for current term). Are there any additions or corrections to these minutes? Do I have a motion to accept these minutes? Do I have a second? All those in favor say “I”. All opposed same sign.

Motion to accept by Jim Isobaker, 2nd by Mike Gatzke motion passes

VII. **Rosary & Badge Check** - Proceeds from the Rosary & Badge Check will be donated to the Pennies for Heaven projects.

VIII. **Grand Knight’s Report – Terry Kruse**

- a. Next Officers Meeting: Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm? Following the exemplification ceremony. All are welcome!
- b. Next Business Meeting: March – Normal business meeting canceled. Lets help Brother Knights with the March 27 Fish Fry!
- c. Stay after meeting for snacks, refreshments and fellowship – free will donation.

**IX. Chaplain's Report – Fr. Ken Halbur - Not present**



Please let the Chaplain know if you have noticed a person whom you think would be a good candidate for the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. Let us now stand and join in a Prayer for Vocations:

**X. Treasurer's Report – Mike Roarty**

- a. Expenses: \$2,605.52
- b. Deposits: \$1,938.17
- c. Checking: \$6,557.11
- d. Savings: \$591.04
- e. Investments:
  - i. \$5,672.74 comes due on 5-26
  - ii. \$3,038.96 comes due on 3-17
  - iii. Total: \$8,711.70

Are there any questions about this report? Do I have a motion to accept this report as presented? Do I have a second? All those in favor say "I". All those opposed same sign.

Motion to accept by Greg Schwaller, Pete Roeder, motion passes.

**XI. Financial Secretary's Report – Jim Roths**

- a. Expenses:
  - i. \$294.47 - Jason Richards for breakfast supplies
  - ii. \$55.00 - Jim Roths for stamps
  - iii. \$28.95 - Hy-Vee Store charge for breakfast supplies
  - iv. \$1,000.00 - St Lukes Building fund donation
  - v. \$500.00 - St Lukes Tithing fund donation
  - vi. \$500.00 - Sr. Mary Ruth Lindsey for RSVP donation. (Refund Support Vocations Program)
  - vii. \$125.27 - Refreshments for the meeting.
- b. Communications:
  - i. Letter from Sr. Mary Ruth Lindsey's order, in recognition for support.

Are there any questions about this report? Do I have a motion to accept this report as presented? Do I have a second? All those in favor say "I". All those opposed same sign.

Motion to accept by Paul Moritz, 2nd by Pete Roeder, motion passes.

## **XII. District Deputy's Report - Dennis Westover**

- Introduced State Secretary Steve Vonnahme who is visiting.
- On the 2nd of March OLIH is having the first of the new exemplification ceremony 7:00pm. Those interested in attending should touch base with Jason Follet.
- Apr17-19 is the state convention, need delegates selected and reservations made.
- March 28, 4th degree at OLIH registration is at 12:30, Mass following by Bishop Joensen, he will also be receiving his 4th and be the honoree.

## **XIII. Insurance Agent's Report – Rob Ryan**

Members that have an interest in meeting with an agent are to contact Rob at [Robert.ryan@kofc.org](mailto:Robert.ryan@kofc.org).

We have attained our insurance quota required to attain the Star Council award.

## **XIV. Unfinished Business**

- a. Name Badges: anyone still need one?
- b. Enter service hours - <https://www.saintluketheevangelist.org/kofc-volunteer-hours-form>

## **XV. New Business**

- a. Goals for Fraternal Year
  - i. Update/Revamp/Revitalize Committees. Supreme requires for Star Council. Draft descriptions and programs are as follows (Adopted from <http://www.kofc.org/en/resources/programs/10590-faith-in-action-guidebook.pdf>):
  - ii. As you may know the Council has reconfigured our committees and are asking Knights to "join" and get involved in a committee of choice. Please take a moment to consider involvement and what you can do to support the Council and its mission. Committee descriptions, programs each committee is responsible for, Chair and Co-chair information, and a sign-up can be found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SYQDYPS>

### Faith – Chair, Mike Roarty. Co-Chair?

Our goal is to strengthen our men and their families in the faith. When we entered the order, we were reminded to constantly inform ourselves in the Catholic faith. This formation goes beyond mere facts or religious practice to an authentic connection with a loving god and his son Jesus Christ. Programs in this category are designed to draw us closer to God and the Church in a tangible and meaningful way — whether through helping the future shepherds of the mother Church, quiet contemplation in a spiritual reflection program, or honoring Mary, mother of God. These programs should strive to arm us for the spiritual battle that our men and families face daily.

#### Programs

- Present Rosaries to parents of Baptized Children
- Corporate Communion Mass
- Keep Christ in Christmas poster coloring contest
- Christmas Wreath Sales
- Red/Blue Mass

### Community – Chair, Paul Moritz, Co-Chair?

Charity is the first principle of our Order. Being Catholics who embrace the principle of Charity means that we share it with “the whole” or to the “community in general”. There are numerous projects we can get involved with to help our neighbors and assist those in need within our local community. Councils that conduct these programs are positively shaping their communities by addressing the needs of its citizens.

#### Programs

- Habitat for Humanity house builds
- Slumberland mattress deliveries
- Coats for Kids
- Cans for Lent
- St. Vincent DePaul

#### Family – Chairs, Doug Cox and Tony McKillip

Programs developed for families by families. We must strive to help prevent the death of the family by administering preventive medicine. By conducting those programs and activities, which aid in rebuilding the family spirit from within, we aim to make it vital and strong enough to resist society’s ills. We encourage our members and their families to choose as their model the Holy Family, copying their attitude of interdependence, sharing and respect for authority.

Our family programs are an evolution and response to a society that seeks to weaken the bonds of family. We must make it clear that society should value a family that is faithful to God and each other. Father McGivney’s vision for family life was not only financial and material aid but also spiritual strength, as holiness is the calling of all baptized Christians. Put plainly, the majority of our time is easily spent in secular circles unless we intentionally create ways to live the domestic church. These programs help us to live this call.

#### Programs

- Spelling Bee Contest
- Free-Throw Contest
- Bike/Walk Run

#### Culture of Life – Chair, Bruce Mehlhop

The urgency of the threat to a culture of life cannot be misunderstood. Respect for the dignity of life demands a commitment to human rights across abroad spectrum. Both as Knights of Columbus and as followers of Christ, “Catholics must be committed to the defense of life in all its stages and in every condition” (St. John Paul ii, 1995). The Knights of Columbus defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life. Knights work together to build a culture of life and a civilization of love. Your council should stand ready to assist any pregnant woman in need, care for the elderly, aid the handicapped, empower those with special needs to realize their full potential and bring attention to the injustices of abortion, embryonic stem cell research, euthanasia and assisted suicide.

#### Programs

- Diaper Drive
- Agape Pregnancy Center, Ultrasound funding

#### Membership and Retention – Chair, ????

Recruiting new members is essential to the continued growth and well-being of our Council and the Order. Offering membership in the Knights of Columbus gives men the opportunity to improve their own life and their community. Membership allows men to experience the fraternal bond that Knights share while growing closer to their family and faith. Membership provides eligibility to participate in the purchase of insurance products and take advantage of other fraternal benefits. This committee is broken

down into three sub-committees focusing on recruitment, retention and the planning and conduct of exemplification ceremonies.

Programs

- Exemplification Ceremonies
- Church Drives
- Prospecting

Meal/Fundraising – Chair, ??????

Programs

- Quarterly Breakfasts
- Golf Banquet Dinners
- Teacher Appreciation Dinner

- iii. Reengagement of Inactive Knights
- iv. Safe Environment Training
- b. Catholic Workers House – Paul Moritz
- c. Free Throw Contest Recap – Doug Cox

**XVI.3 Month Look Ahead**

- a. Solidify Calendar –State Convention (April 17-19 Sioux City Convention Center, Sioux City); Teacher Appreciation Dinner? Corporate Communion Mass?
- b. New Exemplification Ceremony – Sunday, March 8 after 10:30 mass (start time approx.. 11:50). Anyone interested in assisting? Current 1<sup>st</sup> Degrees welcome to attend.
- c. Knights Breakfast – Sun Feb 9, recap
  - i. Served 125, ~1/2 were kids
  - ii. Still netted close to \$400
- d. 4<sup>th</sup> degree ceremony – March 28<sup>th</sup> at OLIH.
- e. State Bowling Tournament – Sat/Sun March 28-29, Bowlmor Lanes Davenport IA contact Jason Follett ([jasonfollett@mediacombb.net](mailto:jasonfollett@mediacombb.net)) if interested.
- f. Fish Fry, March 27 – Todd Cogdill
  - i. Regular meeting on Sundays after 8:30 mass
  - ii. Will send out sign up genius in the next couple weeks
  - iii. Will not be sole a Knights event, it's open to other groups
  - iv. We have support and advertising from OLIH as well
  - v. Lots of opportunities to volunteer.
- g. KC Pro Life Run – Sioux City to Davenport, June 2020
- h. Catholic Circle of Faith, Habitat for Humanity Home Build – David Clark
  - i. There's a signup, Terry will forward it to the council. Contact Paul Carlson or Dave Clarke if you have questions.
  - ii. Looking for volunteers for the Wednesday through Saturday
- i. Steve Wieneke. Speaking about the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> degree ceremony
  - i. Has applications available, spoke to encourage 3<sup>rd</sup> degree members to attend.
- j. Paul Moritz - 40 cans for lent

- i. There will be bins in the narthex to accept canned goods. The donations will be brought to Catholic Worker House and Catholic Charities food pantry.
- k. Tom Judge - Blue/Red mass May 14 at 5:30pm mass
  - i. Will be sending out sign up.
- l. Eric - Knights of Columbus Golf league
  - i. starting in mid April, looking for guys to join
  - ii. Will be having meal nights

**XVII. Good of the Order - Matt Halbach**

Knights of Columbus Prayer intentions

- a. All unemployed and underemployed Brother Knights
- b. For a Culture of Life
- c. For our parish - Saint Luke the Evangelist
- d. All of our Military Service Women, Men and their families
- e. All of our departments of public safety (police, fire fighters, etc.)
- f. Brother Kevin Doty who's battling cancer
- g. Brother Dillon Murray's 8 month old son Jackson who is undergoing some medical testing.
- h. Brother Todd Cogdill's grandmother, Mildred, who passed away Monday, Feb 17
- i. Joe Brice - Father in law diagnosed with lung cancer
- j. Terry Kruse - Mother in law just had hip replaced

Let us now observe a moment of silence for the Good of the Order.

**XVIII. Good for the Order – Matt Halbach**

Does any Brother present have any positive news, accomplishments, deeds, etc. which he would like to share?

**XIX. Closing Prayer - Prayer of an Iowa Knight**



Heavenly Father, You are the author of life and source of grace. Without you, we are nothing, and with you, all things are possible. Guide us that we may humbly serve your people. Bless us with your grace that the work of the Knights of Columbus will make a difference, in that small part of the world, you have entrusted to us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in union with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever, Amen.

**XX. Adjournment**

- a. 8:17pm