



Holy Cross Council 8509
Kernersville, NC
November 21, 2023 (Salesian hall) Membership Meeting
(20 attendees)

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM. WGK David Kempka led the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the October membership meeting. The motion was approved.

Chaplains Summation and report

- Fr Brock joined the meeting and remarked he was glad to be at the meeting and hoped it would be a start to a good new relationship.

Grand Knight's Report

1. Sunday December 3rd will be our next Pancake Breakfast. We need a cook for our breakfast on January 7th.
2. On December 19th Council 8509 will celebrate the 40th anniversary in conjunction with the Christmas party. The plan is to have a catered meal from Mad Greek with a price of \$20 ea. Pamphlets are ready to go and we need volunteers to drive any of the 16 invited widows who need assistance. Signup on council 8509 website.
3. The Dash Christmas party is December 14th. All are invited. Signup on council 8509 website.
4. The council has received 400 State raffle tickets. Each ticket is \$5 with half the proceeds going to state, half to council charities. Tickets will be sold at breakfasts and other KofC events.
5. No December council meeting.
6. Thank you to this month's volunteer, Kevin Oelhafen, for providing the after-meeting snacks. Dennis Machuga is scheduled for January's meeting.
7. Council 8509's \$2000 contribution to the Pavilion will be made in January.

Financial Report

WFS Tony Beline indicated we ok from a financial standpoint, but we need to watch cash flow for the next months until dues money starts coming in.

Treasurer's Report

Worthy Treasurer Mike Reynolds provided the October update. The council began September with a balance of \$5839.58 and ended at \$6225.03. There were additions of \$586 mainly from pancake breakfast proceeds of \$439. There were withdrawals of \$200.55 with several entries. Staddon-Cain began October with a balance of \$21,064.31 and ended at \$20,765.86 The decrease was due to investment results in the month. Details of the Treasurer's report can be found at the end of the minutes.

Introduction of Visitors –

New member Charles Longino attend meeting and was welcomed to the council.

Report of Auditors and Trustees – No Report

Other Reports - Programs Report WGK David Kempka

- Fruit sales were 99 cases of fruit with a profit of \$500. The truck will deliver on Dec. 9th at noon. Please sign up the website
- The pancake breakfast profit for November was \$400. Great job.
- Br Chuck reported Coats for Kids collections were up to a record 174 coats plus dozens of knitted hats– a new record. Thanks to Chuck and Jennifer, Kevin Oelhafen for storing.
- Br Chuck reported on Shop with a Cop program. He shared a heart-warming story about a mother who lost her husband and the Shop with a Cop program was really made their Christmas that year. KofC Council 8509 is one the largest supporters for this program in Kernersville and our contributions are much appreciated.
- The next Highway cleanup is Saturday December 9th at 8:00. Please signup.
- We will be looking for a new chairman for Highway Cleanup and Operation Lamb next year as Br Jean needs to step away.

Report of the 4th Degree WFN Carl Darkes. – No Report.

Field Agent's Report – No Report

District Deputy Report- DD Pat O'Doherty

- Need an honor guard at Fr. Brian Cook's funeral – email on funeral details sent on Nov 20.
- District doing ok on membership.
- The next 1st degree will at Dec 12 at 7:00 pm at St Leo's.
- In this month of Columbia was a Star Council list. There were 44 star councils in the state which is about 1/3 of all councils.
- Recruit young families as this was part of Blessed Fr. McGivney's vision.
- Happy Thanksgiving!

Columbiette's Report -Worthy Liaison Brother Dennis Muelker

- The bake sale yielded a \$1546 profit.
- Nov 4th will be a day of reflection raised \$346 and had 41 attendees.
- Jesus' Birthday party is Dec. 16. Children and Grandchildren invited and will receive a small gift.
- Dec 18 will be Columbiette's Christmas party w/ 5 new member initiations.
- Snacks for law enforcement officers will be hand out on Jan 9.
- Angel tree tags available after masses.

New Business (new motions) – none

Good of the Order - Awards (Family and Knight of the Month, etc.)

- Knight of the Month –Mike Reynolds
- Family of the Month– Jennifer and Chuck Tierney
- An elderly Knight needs assistance to replace an outdoor light. This will be a quick job – contact Jean Dion. Note: a knight volunteered for this after the meeting.

