

**Holy Cross Council 8509**

**Kernersville, NC**

**February 18, 2025 (**Salesian hall**) Membership Meeting**

**(27 attendees)**

The meeting was called to order. WGK Kevin Oelhafen led the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the January membership meeting. The motion was approved.

**Chaplains Summation and report –** No Report

**Grand Knight’s Report**

1. Looking for someone to replace Stan for shopping for the Fish Fry. Jonathan Jowers volunteered. The first Fish Fry is March 7. The last is April 11.
2. State Convention is May 16-18. We need 1 Attendee and 2 Alternates. Email Kevin. Kenneth volunteered to be an Attendee and will email Kevin.
3. March 2nd is our Pancake Breakfast. We need help for one each for set up, clean up and server. Sign up on our website.
4. March 7th is our Fish Fry. Still need 1 fry cook and 1 server. Sign up on our website. Also, do we want to keep the price the same. Last year it was $8 for one piece of fish; $11 for two pieces. We made about $500 for each Fish Fry last year. Keep in mind for the future. Will be discussed at the Officer’s Meeting.
5. Fire Pit Plaque – must get an okay from Father Carter and determine size and verbiage.
6. WNC Aid – There is a drive March 1st to do some construction mostly inside the homes. They want to get 30 homes finished soon. Anyone interested should refer to the email I sent. Let Kevin know if you need him to send it again.
7. The Parish office will be closed February 19th due to weather.
8. Reminder that every event we do is a recruiting opportunity. We want to make our Council stronger and have more people in it. Wear your badge to church and events. Talk to people. They may want to join but not know how or who to ask.

**Financial Report** -WFS Paul Lutgen

We did our Fraternal Report. The first was rejected but the second went through.

The semi-annual financial audit was submitted.

Completed the IRS form for nonprofits.

We are still doing dues collection. Another reminder will be sent out next week.

**Treasurer’s Report – WT Mike Reynolds**

We are in good shape financially. The opening balance for February was $9661 and ended at $10,982.

We had $2420 in deposits mostly from dues, General Council funds, and pancake breakfast proceeds.

We had $628 in withdrawals including pancake breakfast reimbursement and council badges.

The Staddon-Cain Investment Account began with $23,950. It gained $79 in market value adjustment, and gained $98 in Dividends and Interest resulting in a closing balance of $24,128. See the list and amounts under New Business.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurers Report. The motion was approved. The detailed financial report is at the end of the minutes.

**Introduction of Visitors –** No report

**Membership Report –**

We have a new member, Juan Reyes. Welcome, Juan.

We also have new member, Jonathan Jowers. Welcome, Jonathan.

**Report of Auditors and Trustees –** No Report

**Programs Report - WDGK Kevin Oelhafen**

* Highway clean up – we’ve been doing clean-up of the road near East Forsyth High School for 35 years. We do it 4 times a year. It’s coming up on March 8th at 8am.
* Dash – there is a spot available for us. They are making a buffet station. It is for 4 people and $150. There is no cashiering and no tips. They’ve also offered for us to do concessions. That would be $200. It includes cashiering and tips. Would like to get started making up the sign up sheet.
* Golf tournament – received a nice donation from Josh who is not even a parishioner; continue to do the good works we are doing because it is seen by others. Next golf meeting is February 27th.

**Report of the 4th Degree - WFN Carl Darkes –**

Update on Carl Darkes – he is doing well; he is up and around and doing his physical therapy.

**Columbiette’s Report -Worthy Liaison Pete Pulice–**

* Highway cleanup – it’s too dangerous and they don’t want to do it anymore. They have had some near misses; looking for a sign (caution or people working). Once the contract is up, they will not continue it.
* Charities – they have 4 charities (Crisis Center, Sheperd’s Center, Room at the Inn and Next Step). They are contributing to the first three but unsure about Next Step.
* Unsure about Dash

**Other reports -**

We have been in contact with Father Carter to lock down dates for the Parish Dash game. That will be June 20. There will be fireworks afterward. Ticket prices will be $12. We’ve reserved a couple of dates at the church to sell tickets and to distribute the tickets in June.

**Unfinished business -**

* At the end of every meeting we pass the hat for whatever prayers we have. We usually collect $30-40. We have donated the money to Crisis Control. Last month it was suggested we use the money for relief for WNC. We have been looking into who we can donate to. A motion was made and seconded to donate Happy Dollars to WNC relief via Catholic Charities Asheville. The motion was approved.

**Field Agent’s Report –** No report

**New Business** (new motions)

* Reminder from Carl – on March 29th in Charlotte there is a Fourth Degree Exemplification. Payment and form must be turned in by March 15th.
* Ken asked for prayers for Frank who took a fall. Ken has purchased a wheelchair for Frank’s use. His wife may need assistance getting him around. Please call her if you can help. A motion was made and seconded to reimburse Ken for the cost of the wheelchair ($42). The motion was approved.

**Good of the Order**

Knight of the Month: Kenneth Marshall

**Important Dates**

Sunday, March 2nd --------------------------------Pancake breakfast

Tuesday, March 4th -------------------------------Officer’s meeting

Friday, March 7th -------------------------------Fish Fry

Saturday, March 15th -----------------------------Family of the Month nominations due

**Happy Dollars**

Happy Dollars were collected. WGK led one decade of Rosary for sick or distressed members and recited the Prayer for the Canonization of Fr. McGivney.

**WGK: declared the meeting adjourned.**

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