

**Minutes for Council Meeting, April 8, 2024**  
**K of C – St. Brigid of Kildare, Council #10863**

**Call to Order** – Mike Less, GK - *meeting started at about 7:30pm after Exemplification*

**Opening Prayer** – Deacon Paul - *Deacon Paul opened the meeting with prayer*

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Mike Less, GK

**Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting** – March 13, 2024 Council Meeting - Mike Less, GK

- *Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the Minutes of March 13th meeting as distributed.*

**Lecturer's Report** - PGK Tony Trippe - *Provided a reflection on the Annunciation*

**Grand Knights Report** - Mike Less, GK - *Following report was made by GK*

- Next Council Meeting - Wednesday May 8th in Hendricks Hall - Immke Room - 6:45pm Rosary; 7:00pm Meeting; 8:00pm Social.
- Announcements:
  - *New Members from exemplification: Bruce Butts, Joe Roszman and Mark Lovensheimer and Matthew Jackson. Vlad Belo online ceremony.*
  - *Rich Mitchell - transfer - and completed 3rd Degree Exemplification*
  - *Need sign-ups for lots of upcoming events (WCC, Pancake Breakfast, Widow yard work; Baptisms - Roses for Mothers, officer and director support)*
  - *Catholic Men's Ministry - Leadership Summit by John Edwards - Saturday April 13 at St. Paul's - Klinger Center - see notecards up front*
- Chapter:
  - *Has need for new officers - in particular Advocate and Warden - see me for Chapter Contact info*
  - *Support our Seminarians final turn-in is due April 15th - Council typically augments meeting collections with additional funds for a total \$1,000 donation.*
  - *May 5th will be the Chapter's Knight of the Year and Family of the Year awards banquet.*
  - *Women's Care Center has requested help with a painting project on the 3rd floor to prepare a new child care room*
- Correspondence:
  - *Ohio State Council - Logan County disaster relief and Convention ASAP Drive*
  - *Damascus Sports Trivia - Fish Fry donation support - April 13th*
- Thank you:
  - *Thank you to all that helped with the Easter Egg Hunt; Father / Daughter Dance and Spring Diaper Drive - all great events.*
- *Welcome:*
  - *The five new and advancing Knights from the Exemplification ceremony were welcomed and invited to introduce themselves to the Council.*

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**Membership Report** – Mike Less, GK - *following update to Membership was made by GK*

- Candidates: *Jason Black*
- Transfers: *Brad Lowe (Parish Office)*

**Officers' Reports** - *following officer reports were made:*

- Chaplain – Deacon Paul Zemanek
  - Parish Picnic - Sunday June 30th - *Knights asked to help; noted there is no special celebration - just a parish picnic get together*
  - *Also confirmation is being held this Friday - April 12th*
- Recorder – Mark Muresan - *Excused; no report*
- Financial Secretary – Nick Foley - *reported:*
  - Yearly dues billings - please pay dues - 2nd notices sent out
- Treasurer – Steve Miller (below is from 4/5/24) - *as listed:*

Account List				
▼ Deposit Accounts				
	Account Type	Account Number	Balance ⓘ	Available ⓘ
Operating Account	Checking	XXXXXX0101	\$16,989.56	\$16,989.56
Scholarship Account	Savings	XXXXXX1278	\$8,571.56	\$8,571.56
Savings Account	Savings	XXXXXX0072	\$8,848.86	\$8,848.86
<b>Deposit Account Totals:</b>			\$34,409.98	\$34,409.98
▼ Certificate of Deposit Accounts				
	Account Number		Available	
Certificate Of Deposit	XXXXXX0857-XXXXXXX6873		\$10,158.10	
Certificate Of Deposit	XXXXXX2857-XXXXXXX1261		\$20,316.20	
<b>Certificate of Deposit Totals:</b>			\$30,474.30	

- Warden – Keith Wagner - *No report*
- Trustees – PGK Tim Solack, PGK Tom Ozello, PGK John Willi - *No report*
- Deputy Grand Knight – Joe Moore, DGK - *excused; report made by GK Mike Less*
  - Next Planning Meeting -Wednesday April 24th -7pm - Hendricks Hall, Immke

**Program Reports** – Joe Moore, DGK; *excused - reporting led by GK Mike Less*

Faith: PGK Mike Sliclen - *reported as follows:*

- Roses for Mothers - Baptisms (2nd and 4th Sundays); next one April 14th - *noted this takes only a few minutes at start of baptism*
- Coffee & Prayer - 1st and 3rd Saturdays

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### Family: John Greco - *reported as follows*

- Easter Egg Hunt - Results - 4500 eggs stuffed, distributed and picked up
- Father / Daughter Dance - Results - *great event over the weekend over 460 attended and 135lbs of food collected for Dublin Food pantry*
- Pancake Breakfast after 9 and 11am Masses April 14th - Vince Mazza - *need volunteers especially for 2nd shift*

### Community: John Willi, PGK - *reported on the following items as listed:*

- Measure Up Campaign - Saturday May 4th 9AM - 2PM - *please sign-up to help*
- Free Throw Contest - Charles Mazza - *State Free Throw Champion for 12-year old boys - State Champion; note also recognized by Worthy DD Eric Yang*
- Widow's Assistance - SATURDAY April 27th from 8:00am - 10:00am (or so). Please sign-up on the Council Website - mainly landscape trimming, mulching and cleanup. Aid is for Mary Beth Benney - John Willi - *please sign-up, more the merry and can include friends/spouses; have helped out in years past.*
- Scholarship Applications Open - see Common Threads - St. Brigid HS Senior going on to further schooling - \$750/year for up to 4 years - *applications due soon - please get them in.*
- Dublin Food Pantry: on-going support; also Farmer's Market - *reiterated need for on-going support - please sign-up*

### Life: Nick Little

- Women's Care Center - moving clothes bins and painting 3 rooms on 3rd floor - includes some patching of ceiling. Next session Saturday April 13th 9am-12pm - *attended first session two weeks ago - sign-up online link is on website.*
- Spring Diaper / Baby Shower Drive - Results - Nick Little - *collected just over \$1,000 in cash and donations to be distributed.*
- Silver Rose Service planned for Saturday July 13th - *put on your calendars*

### Committees:

- Fraternal Committee - Vince Mazza - *sign-up for Euchre event - friendly games; easy to learn*
  - NCAA Finals - April 8th - Hendricks Hall
  - Euchre Party - Knights and wives invited - April 26th

### Input from Members:

*None made*

### **4th Degree Report** - SK Dan O'Conner - *presented the following 4th Degree report*

- Assembly 2727 Meetings are 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:30 at St Brigid's - Hendricks Hall - Immke Room
- 4th Degree Knights please see Pilot report for Honor Guard/Color Guard events
- April 13th Exemplification - if interested in 4th Degree please see Dan O'Connor

### **District Deputy Report** – DD #36 Eric Yang

- Worthy DD Eric presented his report which is summarized below:

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- *Congratulations to the new brother Knights. Welcome to our order. Please try to achieve the Shining Armor Award <https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/membership/shiningarmor.pdf>*
- *Congratulations to Charles Mazza who is the State Free Throw Champion for 12-year old boys.*
- *Thank you for hosting the Silver Rose on Saturday, July 13.*
- *Remember that the reporting portal closes on Monday, April 15. Please report your activities on the state website <https://kofcoho.org/program-reporting/>*
  - *You have 767 points.*
- *Start working on the Columbian Award Application form SP-7. (Due to Supreme by June 30.)*
- *Finally, make sure your council is compliant for the Safe Environment Program!!!*

#### **Insurance Field Agent – Matt Tangeman - Field Agent Matt made a few points as listed:**

- *Welcomed new Knights; offered to meet to go over insurance / financial needs*
- *Note it is Easter / Spring time - a time to renew ourselves - spiritually as well as looking at finance needs for our families.*

#### **Chancellor Report – Vince Mazza - reported as follows:**

- *Super Cash Bonanza is the major fundraiser for the council - please purchase tickets when they come in the mail. Need all tickets by final turn-in deadline - May 5th.*

#### **Unfinished Business – Mike Less, GK - following Old Business was brought up:**

- *\$413 has been collected for SOS through the February council meeting (8 meetings for about \$50/meeting). Assuming similar amounts at next three meetings will result in total of about \$620 collections. Requesting authorization to donate a total of \$1,000 to State SOS campaign.*
  - *Motion to donate \$1,000 to State SoS Fund - 2nd Vote*
    - *Motion to donate \$1,000 to State Support Our Seminarians fund was made, seconded and approved. No discussion or questions were raised.*

#### **New Business – Mike Less, GK - following New Business was brought up:**

- *Ohio State Council is requesting donations to the State Council disaster relief fund for the March 14th storms here in Ohio - in particular for Logan County. \$500 is in the approved budget for disaster relief.*
  - *Motion to donate \$500 to the March 14th Ohio Storm Relief - Ohio State Council - Disaster Relief*
    - *Motion to donate \$500 to Ohio State Council Disaster Relief Fund was made, seconded and approved. No discussion or questions were raised.*

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- St. Brigid Men's Cornerstone Retreat did not need any of the approved \$1,000 donation for this year. These funds are available to be re-allocated if approved - otherwise will go into savings. There was discussion at the March planning meeting without unanimous agreement on recommendations - in particular for donation to parish to offset TMIY funding. Recommend the following motions for discussion and voting:
  - Motion that \$250 be donated to Women's Care Center and \$250 be donated to Pregnancy Decision Health Center as part of the Spring Diaper Drive. Note \$250 was previously donated to Mommies Matter last September. - *this was revised to better align with ASAP Grant requirements to yield just over \$1,000 to each of three organizations - Mommies Matter, Women's Care Center and Pregnancy Decisions Health Center.*
    - *Motion to donate \$100 to Mommies Matter, \$200 to Women's Care Center and \$200 to Pregnancy Decision Health Center was made, seconded and approved. No discussion or questions.*
  - Motion that \$500 be donated to St. Brigid of Kildare Church to partially cover a TMIY program overrun in their food costs for the year.
    - *Motion to donate \$500 to St. Brigid of Kildare Church for the TMIY program was made, seconded and approved. No discussion or questions.*

**Good of the Order – Recognition for members and others** - *GK Mike Less recognized the following Knights, families and volunteers for contributions in March:*

- Knight of the Month (March) Nominations:
  - Easter Egg Hunt: Matt Blouir
  - Roses for Mothers: PGK Mike Sliclen
- Family of the Month (March) Award Nominations:
  - Easter Egg Hunt: Matt Blouir & Sons; Dan Sheehy & Family; John Greco & Family; Joe & Sue McCaw; Gene & Donna Kanzigg
  - Lenten Soup Supper: Joane & Mike Less; Deacon Paul & Cathy Zemanek; John and Betsy Willi
- Recognized Knights of the Month (March)
  - Lenten Soup Supper: Bruce Butts, Craig Dziejewski, Dan Sheehy, Dennis Clum, Joe Moore, John Denzel, John Hefferman, Keith Brodman, Matthew Freiburger, Michael Flock, Tony Trippe, Vince Mazza, Dennis Olberding, Fred Smith and Matt Ritchey
  - Easter Egg Hunt: Bob Dittoe, Mike Less, Bruce Butts, Jim Promenschenkel, Tim Solack and all others

**Grand Knight's Summary** – Mike Less, GK - *GK made the following closing report:*

- After-meeting social / game and refreshments until 10pm.
- Remember sign-up sheets and attendance sheet

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**Closing Prayer** *(including intentions for sick or distressed members) - Following Prayer Intentions were made by the GK additional ones are added at the end of this list*

- For vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life
- Peace in Ukraine; the Mideast and other war-torn areas
- Persecuted Christians
- Unemployed / Under Employed Brother Knights
- Those impacted by the pandemic, health care workers and first responders
- Brothers / Family Members that are ill - Terry Flanagan; Mike Sliclen
- Friends that are ill - Bill & Lynn Waldron
- Deceased Knights - George Trapp (January 2022); Ron Kendzior
- Deceased Family & Friends - Tom Cassidy; Sue Keiser; Don Danko (father of Karen Cremeans); Jon Waller son of Susan Hyme & grandson of Sue Keiser
- *For those impacted by the Ohio tornadoes and sever weather last month*
- Any Others?
  - *For Brother Terry Miller - recovering from cancer surgery; for Edwin Yang (brother of DD Eric Yang) - for chemo treatment; for brother Chris Carr - continuing to adjust to loss of his wife; for Matt Tangeman's father and all those dealing with old age- that they may live in dignity.*

*Deacon Paul led the council in the closing prayer:*

***Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney***

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favors we have presented. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Adjourn – Mike Less, GK**

- *Meeting was adjourned at about 8:30pm.*