



Knights of Columbus

October 2019 Newsletter for Father Howard J. Lesch Council 7667

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General Membership Meeting Minutes October 1, 2019

Prior to the meeting Grand Knight Chuck Kuzma introduced Pat Honstetter, the widow of Knight Les Honstetter, to talk about the rummage sale that is coming up on Nov. 3-9. This is a large money making project for Holy Name Church and has supported many worthwhile causes over the past 10 years. It brings in over \$25 thousand every year. We will set up on Sunday Nov. 3 starting at about Noon. We have to set up all the tables and move lots of stuff from the shed to the PLC. Moving the major stuff takes about 2 hours, but some women will be arranging things for a few hours more if you can stay. We take donations on Monday through Wednesday including picking up furniture and large items with Brother Jim Reese's trailer from 8-4. We can use help with this if anyone is available. Thursday we get everything cleaned up and ready for the sale. Friday we start the sale at 7a.m. till noon. We rearrange things Friday afternoon. Another busy day starts early Saturday morning and lasts till noon. Everything has to be put away and cleaned up Saturday afternoon. Goodwill and other charities will be here to take whatever we haven't sold. About 2p.m. we will start putting things back in the shed and putting tables away. This takes about 2 hours and we can use lots of help. Please put these dates and times on your calendar.

These women also run Angel's Attic on Government Street. Brother Randy Honeyman helps out here often. If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity they can also use help there,

The Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Grand Knight Chuck Kuzma. Roll call was taken. Minutes from previous meeting were approved.

Chaplain's Report: (Fr. Steve Voyt)

No Report

Report of Admissions: (Franklin Bevel)

- We have potentially two new candidates. We will host an Admission's Degree on Thursday, Oct. 10. Team to report at 6; candidates report at 6:30; ceremony starts at 7.

Grand Knight's Report: (GK Chuck Kuzma)

- At the last meeting we presented Honorary Life Membership to Jack Landsverk and Dave Underwood received Honorary Membership. Also Father Brad Gillory, the new Chaplin at Eglin AFB was introduced.
- On the 14th The Life Runners had their monthly walk for life at Turkey Creek boardwalk.
- On the 17th we had our Clergy Appreciation Dinner. Bishop Bill Wack, 8 clergy and about 40 members attended. A good time was had by all.
- On the 28th in cooperation with Council 13527 we put on a picnic for Sunland residents.
- On the 29th we hosted a fifth Sunday Patriotic rosary.
- Randy Honeyman has State raffle tickets at the back. They are in books of 12 tickets for \$1 each. First prize is \$25,000 and there are prizes for the seller of the winning ticket. There are also lots of other prizes. Our Council gets 50 Percent of our sales back from State so this really helps with our charitable work.

Treasurer's Report: (Brother Ken Laird)

As of October 1, 2019 the report is as follows:

- General Fund Total \$11,854.66

Financial Secretary Report: (Ernie Martinez)

Financial Secretary Report as of 30 September 2019

Sept Expenses: **\$1,240.98**

| Date | Warrant # | Written to | Amount | Notes | Auth ority ** |
|--------|-----------|----------------------------|--------|--|---------------------|
| 3-Sep | 19-121 | Ernie Martinez | 14.99 | Mailing Envelopes | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-122 | Mark Williams | 7.15 | Postage Clergy Appreciation | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-123 | Ernie Martinez | 85.20 | Rubermaid Food Storage tub (4) | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-124 | Southern Bingo | 210.25 | Invoice #29397 | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-125 | Chuck Kuzma | 8.44 | Clergy Appreciation Bishop Coin | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-126 | Florida KofC Charities Inc | 500.00 | Hurricane Dorian Relief | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-127 | John Raferty | 222.07 | Pasta | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-128 | Ellis Boudreaux | 34.69 | Pasta Salad Mix \$19.69 and Dessert \$15 | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-129 | Ernie Martinez | 16.18 | Rubermaid Food Storage tub (4) LIDS | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-130 | KofC Supreme Council | 19.26 | Membership Cards | B |
| 10-Sep | 19-131 | Southern Bingo | 122.75 | Invoice #29433 | B |

Authority: E Executive Officer Meeting; G General Meeting; GK Grand Knight; FS Financial Secretary B Budget

Sept Income: **\$5,069.00**

| Date | From | Amount | Notes |
|--------|-----------------|--------|----------------------|
| 3-Sep | Ties and Scarfs | 50.00 | Sales from Cloutier |
| 3-Sep | Dues | 120.00 | Gp 94 |
| 10-Sep | Ties and Scarfs | 10.00 | Sales from Cloutier |
| 10-Sep | PGK Dinner | 75.00 | No Show Late Payment |
| 10-Sep | Tom Kraus | 24.00 | State Raffle |
| 10-Sep | Pasta | 678.00 | 9/7 Pasta 90A 8C |
| 10-Sep | Bingo | 836.00 | 9/6 Bingo |
| 10-Sep | Dues | 325.00 | Gp 95 |
| 13-Sep | Bingo | 848.00 | 9/13 Bingo |
| 20-Sep | Bingo | 622.00 | 9/20 Bingo |
| 24-Sep | Clergy Dinner | 541.00 | Donations |
| 27-Sep | Bingo | 940.00 | 9/27 Bingo |

Trustee's Report: (PGK Paul Robert)

- No Report

Chancellor's Report on Vocations: (Brother Franklin Bevel)

- No Report.

* FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAM DIRECTOR: (DGK Billy Starnes)

Report on Faith in Action Programs:

* Faith Program: (PGK Paul Robert)

Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP): (Brother Franklin Bevel)

Rosary Program: (Brother Peter Karp)

Building the Domestic Church Kiosk: (Brother Greg Reese)

Spiritual Reflection Program: (GK Chuck Kuzma and PGK Steve Zajac)

- PGK Paul Robert reported that we held a Fifth Sunday Patriotic Rosary in the Church on the 29th.
- The Kiosk is doing well as evidenced by some books running low. Could be just slow readers but more books are being ordered.
- Men's retreat scheduled for November 2 at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Hall. Start with Mass at 8 a.m. followed by breakfast. There will also be snacks. Speakers are Father Steve, Father Bob from Christ Our Redeemer, Father Angelo, and Deacon Tom Dwyer. The retreat will end at 1 p.m.

*** Family Program: (Brother Karl Eschman)**

Knight/Family of the Month/Year: (Brother Karl Eschman)

- Family of the Month: Moe and Carrol Powers
- Knight of the Month: John Griffin
- The write up of the great things these Knights are doing is at the end of the minutes.

Keep Christ in Christmas: (Brother Ernie Martinez & PGK Ellis Boudreaux)

- The billboard has been paid for and the Nativity Scene will be displayed on the billboard by Turkey Creek during December.
- We have religious Christmas Cards that we will be selling after all Masses. We need people at both exits after each Mass to sell cards. If you have a few minutes after Mass please stop by the table and help. Just asking people if they have their cards yet helps.
- We are also working on the poster contest and will start this in November and judge the posters in early December. We need people to judge the posters.

Food For Families: (PGK Mark Williams)

- We will need help from the Knights for bagging up groceries for the distribution of Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets. Dates are not known yet but an email will be sent requesting this help. Our Council will have a food drive at our November and December meeting. Everyone should bring food or cash to help Niceville Catholic Outreach.

Scholarships: (Brother Mike Contratto)

- No Report

Consecration to the Holy Family: (PGK Tom Elsassor)

- No report.

*** Community Program: (PGK Ellis Boudreaux)**

Coats for Kids: (PGK Mark Williams)

Father/Daughter Dance: (Brother Mitch McClarren)

Spelling Bee: (PGK Ellis Boudreaux)

Helping Hands: (DGK Chuck Kuzma)

- PGK Ellis reported that the Spelling Bee is scheduled for the 18th of January 2020.
- PGK Mark reported that coats have been purchased for Coats for Kids but since it is so hot we will wait a while to distribute them. We will take them to the kids at Head Start in Bluewater and we have some help scheduled for this distribution.
- Brother Mitch McClarren reported that there are 6 people scheduled to go on the fishing trip on Saturday. If you also want to go, see Mitch tonight.
- PGK Ellis talked about Helping Hands and how the knights need to step up and help with the Rummage Sale.

*** Life Program: (Brother Jim Cloutier):**

- Brother Jim had “Choose Life” ties and scarves if anyone needs any.

March for Life: (PGK Matt French)

- The Run for Life will be on October 12 at 8 a.m. at Turkey Creek Pavilion.
- Brother Jim Cloutier will coordinate the Walk for Life in Pensacola for Matt since Matt can't make it. Date is January 11 and more details will follow.

Sunland Picnic and Christmas Party: (Brother Tim Pugh and Brother Ken Laird)

- Brother Tim Pugh reported on the Sunland Picnic on Sept. 28. The picnic was a great success. We had about 35 brother knights and their wives from 7667 and 13527 and had plenty of food. We served about 50 residents and staff.

Christian Refugee Relief: (PGK Matt French)

- Need to talk to Monica to find a date for a breakfast with proceeds going to Christian Refugee Relief. Last year we had trouble finding a date.

Novena for Life: (PGK Matt French)

- KofC does a Novena for Life in January prior to the March for Life. We will piggy back onto this one by forwarding their emails.

Round Table Chairman: (Brother Lee Green)

- Thanks to everyone who came out to help with the base parish picnic last Sunday.
- Coming up on Friday, Oct. 4, there will be a concert on the back porch. Christian recording artist Luke Spehar will be performing live starting at 6:30 on the grassy area behind the chapel. This is free.

Bingo: (Tim Pugh)

- We are working on the new point of sale system. Will be meeting this week to clarify things and the system we are looking at is about \$650. We will get okay from our leadership and Christ Our Redeemer leadership prior to the purchase.

Pasta:(PGK Mark Williams)

- Grand Knight Chuck Kuzma reported that Mark is leaving in December and we need someone to take over as Pasta Chair. Brother Fran was nominated and unanimously voluntold. Not sure of Fran's acceptance of the position.
- Brother Ernie reiterated that this Saturday is the Pasta Challenge; Council 7667, that's us, has challenged Council 13527, Christ Our Redeemer, to see who can have the most Knights in attendance at the October 5 Pasta Dinner. **"The Grand Knight Challenge Last Place Winner Cup."** was on display and all knights were encouraged to support this fund raising opportunity. There will be a lot going on including a slide show of the things both councils have been doing.

Unfinished Business:

- Brother Moe Powers said that he has Council 7667 shirts available.

New Business:

- Fall festival is October 26th and the Knights are responsible for the beer and wine booth.
- On October 12 there will be a second and third degree here. We will begin setting up at 9 a.m. and show time for 2nd degree candidates is 9:30. We will also need people at the PLC setting up over there at 9 o'clock also. GK Chuck will be sending out an email to sign up for helping.

Report of the Fourth Degree: (PGK Matt French)

- Assembly 3236 provides snacks beverages at the VA clinic on the first Monday every month. A lot of veterans come in for their regular blood tests and have been fasting. The snacks are welcome before they drive home.
- The Assembly donated \$500 to Fischer House on base.
- District Marshal, Tony Jetty, got a communication from the District Master saying that the reason that there is no fourth degree exemplification scheduled in the panhandle is because there are only six knights with the new regalia in District 1. Three on these are in our Assembly. We need some more fourth degree knights to purchase the new regalia. Most don't like it but it is the way forward. The uniform is \$500, this is a one-time expense. We are trying to figure out how to get an exemplification this year; probably have to go to Alabama. If you are a third degree and are interested in joining the Patriotic Degree see PGK Matt French and he can get you an application. There are exemplifications in Orlando and Mobile and one in Montgomery in June.

New Members: (GK Chuck Kuzma)

- GK Chuck Kuzma introduced new members that were present:
Lanny Anaya, here because of the Air Force but would like to retire here.
Figueroasentos Gilbert (Fig) has been here since 2011, glad to be a knight and will participate as time permits.
Clayton Schuety got here in January and working at Hurlburt on active duty.
Jeremy Lydic got here last month and looking forward to being active and helping out.

Field Agents Report: (Tim Pugh)

- Usually give our quota for the year but it doesn't matter because we just received an announcement from Supreme. There is no longer a quota for new insurance members for Star Council. This has been replaced by two fraternal benefits knights per year.
- Shameless Plug of the Month: Our reports for the insurance program are great so far this year.
- Tip of the Month: The Knights are moving to a new Series 900 of Insurance plans based on new actuary tables showing that people are living longer. Under the old Series 800 some of these plans are being discontinued. One that will be discontinued is the "Discoverer" which is a blend of term and whole life. This policy has the highest dividends and there is a historical reason for this and Tim can explain this. All the agents have this policy. You can still take advantage of this policy until the end of the year. It is kind of like a sale to benefit you. See Tim if you are interested or curious and he can give you additional information.

District Deputy Report: (DD Steve Zajac)

DD Notes

October 1, 2019

- The Marion Icon will be in our region. We will pick it up in December at the midyear conference in Orlando, so it will be here between December and May. We don't know the exact dates yet but it is coming to the panhandle.
- There was a request to start using Member Management; 7667 is good about keeping track of the Faith in Action program and tracking accomplishments.
- There is a new recruiting tool. We set up a computer terminal and a prospect only has to give us his name and email address. We enter it and by the time he gets home from Mass there is information from the Knights of Columbus on his computer. It then sends out periodic reminders.
- This coming Thursday, Oct 10 there is an Admissions Degree here.
- A Formation Degree and a Knighthood Degree is planned for October 12 here at HNJ. Need to know how many will be making both Formation and Knighthood degrees. We will need manpower to support this. We have reserved rooms but will need knights to set things up.
- When you are asked to step up to another position don't be reluctant. There are plenty of people to help you and your help makes a big difference.

Prayer Requests:

| KofC PRAYER REQUESTS | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Dated - October 1, 2019 | | | |
| Father Seb | Tricia Dermens | George Lambert | Lynn Perk |
| Deacon Jim & Carolyn Cox | Rita Dozier | Meghan Leach | Tom Pugh |
| Deacon Lou & Katherine Marini | Keith Etheridge | Jung Leon | Nancy Reese |
| Deacon John Shin | Terese Flor | Jack McLaughlin | Tee Reese |
| Shelia Allman | Linda Gray | Jacob Marshall | Richard and Trudy Reilly |
| Mary Anhouser | Eric Gulbranson | Fred Mathis | Thomas Roach |
| Doug Beisner | Carmen Hank | Vincent Mayfield | Don Rosicka |

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| Vi Beisner | Pyong Woo Harper | Debra Mevorach | Mike Schwartz |
| Bobbie Buckner | Don Rosicka+A18 | David Mitchem | Sharon Soehren |
| Keith & Laura Carnahan | Herm Hernandez | Kathleen Moran | Joseph Spinelli |
| Gabriel Chavez | Margaret Hilla | Sharon Morton | Kathy Stinnet |
| Naomi Clarkson | Joseph Kerwin | Maj Ngandwe | Jean Thompson |
| Jose Cortez | Nancy Kramer | Erica O'Connell | Randy & Maria Wilke |
| John Davis | Tom Kraus | Peggy O'Grady | Lee Young |
| Donlo Delsi | Barry Lambert | Bob Pabel | Ignacio Zermeno & Family |
| | | | Jean Zolak |

Awards:

- No awards were presented.

Meeting Closure:

- GK Chuck closed with a Hail Mary and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.
- Next general membership meeting is November 5, 2019 at 7 p.m.

After-meeting Social:

Attendees remained for a social at the end of the meeting.

Nov Birthdays

| Name | Birthday |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Joseph M Blythe | 11-01 |
| Joseph A Crisafulli | 11-02 |
| Michael P Cary | 11-03 |
| Gregory A Reese | 11-04 |
| Henry Cliff Alexander | 11-05 |
| Jacob B Martinez | 11-05 |
| James F Buglewicz | 11-07 |
| Timothy H Gaasch | 11-09 |
| Gregory M Smedley | 11-12 |
| Christian G Frymark | 11-16 |
| Chisala C Ngandwe | 11-17 |
| Ronald P Harakal | 11-18 |
| Edward M Mc Call II | 11-18 |
| Edward A Coleman | 11-19 |
| Riverus P Toucheck | 11-20 |
| Charles D Cuchens | 11-21 |
| Kevin M Mendoza | 11-22 |
| John J Osborn | 11-24 |
| Dana Craig Wyman II | 11-25 |
| Mark C Anderson | 11-26 |
| James M Moore | 11-27 |

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| Randall A Honeyman | 11-29 |
| Joseph A Lessard | 11-30 |
| Rev Eugene W Pathe | 11-30 |

Family of the Month

September 2019

Maurice A. "Moe" and Carol Powers

Brother Moe Powers and his wife Carol have for years been enthusiastic supporters of Council 7667 and Holy Name of Jesus (HNJ) Parish activities. He has been active as Mass usher for many years, and Carol serves as a Lector. Moe and Carol are faithful supporters of numerous parish programs assisting senior citizens and the youth of not just the Holy Name of Jesus parish, but the community as well. Brother Moe also serves on the Council's College Scholarship Committee, and is one of the raters to determine which of the many candidates get selected for the four \$1500 scholarships from several local high schools. The end result of the scholarship process has provided significant assistance to the four selected students each year. He and Carol work tirelessly in support of Council and parish social activities, this being one of the major reasons for the overwhelming success of these events. He is the lead organizer during the annual International Food Festival for the KoC refreshment booth, providing various selections of wine and beer for the participants. They are both actively involved with helping with the annual Sunland Christmas Party for members of the State managed Sunland facility for the handicapped located in Marianna, Florida. The two local Councils plan and execute a full up party and Christmas Gift exchange in the Parish Hall. Our Council has sponsored this event annually for the past 33 years. Both he and his wife provided invaluable assistance during the past Council sponsored Christmas Party for a group of over 50 handicapped persons. This event involved both providing of food for the handicapped, as well as for their family members and staff of the agency, and the distribution of gifts. The Council members purchased presents for the guests and then helped "Santa" to distribute the presents by name to each guest. As one of the Pasta Team leaders and the overall chairman for all four Pasta Teams, Moe and his team members prepared pasta dinners (a council event after the first Saturday Mass every month). The pasta dinners collect hundreds of dollars for charity programs supported by the Knights, while also providing members of the parish with an excellent dinner on Saturday nights at a very reasonable cost. Typically over 100 people show up for the monthly dinners. When available, Brother Moe supports the Council Bingo Team Four as a kitchen crew cook on those weekends when his team has that duty. He and the other members of the four Bingo teams have been instrumental in the activity's success in producing over 70% of the income used in charitable, community, and council support. This equates to over \$30,000 per year and it provides the bulk of the funding needed to support the Council's budget. Brother Moe has consistently supported the annual Handicapped Citizens Drive. He and the other volunteers work at store entrances in the Niceville area and collect contribution, while handing out a vast quantity of donated tootsie rolls to the contributors. This year over \$1800 was submitted to the State Council to help various groups assisting the handicapped. Carol is an active member of the Ladies Sodality and regularly directs or assists with the set up and execution of parish social functions such as cakewalks, picnics, and the Fall Festival. The group also hosts receptions following Funerals and memorial services that aid the grieving friends and relatives of those who have passed away. She is also the Lector for the Ladies Group. She also is a volunteer in the daily operation of the Group's thrift shop called Angel Attic. Every day the Ladies open up and sell numerous items, mostly donated by Parish members. The funding is used to provide charity to Catholic organizations. Every year they also support the periodic Rummage Sales, which provides for additional funding to sustain the Father Butler Family Life Center activities. They typically help in cataloging and pricing the various items for sale, assist in setting up the booths in the Life Center, help to load items to people's vehicles, and then clean up the Center after the event. Over \$12,000 was collected during the past sale in May. Our brother Moe is one in that small group of truly active members that consistently does the majority of the work with any organization that he belongs to. At various Knights of Columbus meetings, this brother is one who will frequently lead discussions with good ideas and be the catalyst that makes good things happen. He can consistently be counted on to help when help is needed - even when he is already overcommitted with tasks that he has already accepted. The Powers family embodies and exercises those Christian values reflecting the principles of our Order--charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. The support of families such as the Powers help form the backbone of today's Catholic Church and the Good of the Order.

Knight of the Month

September 2019

John Griffin

Brother John worked hard this year in many parish and council related activities. Although Brother John only just attained his First Degree in the Spring of 2019, he has already participated in every major event and project in our Council. John is a mainstay in our numerous Council operations in helping the project leaders of various activities in completing a number of substantial efforts by supporting our Catholic and local communities. This includes normal council meetings, membership drives, KofC degree ceremonies, social events such as activities in the Family Life Center, Pasta Dinners, Sunland Picnics and Christmas Parties, and Bingo Game support. He can always be found supporting the weekly Council Bingo games, and he participates every month on two Bingo Teams. He and the other members of the four Bingo teams have been instrumental in the success of the activity in producing over 70% of the income used in charitable, community, and council support. This equates to over \$30,000 per year and it provides the bulk of the funding needed to support the council budget. This contribution of time and talent for just the bingo

activity alone exceeds 300 man-hours per year. He also demonstrated outstanding energy, perseverance and leadership in his role working at the annual picnic for handicapped members of the Sunland facility. Sunland is a facility located in Marianna Florida, about 80 miles from Niceville Florida, which provides full time care and supervision for adults who are mentally handicapped. This activity includes the support of a number of fellow Knights and their family members in purchasing and preparing the food and drinks, transporting the food and cooking grill from Niceville to Marianna, and then cooking the food and helping to serve the meals. Some 60 residents and 22 staff members of the training facility typically receive meals. He has already volunteered to support the Council Christmas Party for the Sunland residents in the Parish Hall with food, games and a visit from Santa complete with gifts addressed to each resident. He actively participates in the monthly Pasta Dinner program in two Pasta Teams by preparing and serving the pasta dinners in the effort to fund raise for charitable church activities. The dinners collect hundreds of dollars for charity programs supported by the Knights, while also providing members of the parish with an excellent dinner on Saturday nights at a very reasonable cost. Typically 80 -100 people show up for the monthly dinners. Also, he will be involved with the Council's activities in support of the annual International Food Festival at the Parish Family Center in Fall 2019. The knights provide a booth for all liquid refreshments, and Brother John will be responsible for picking up the kegs and wine, and then serving to the Parish members attending the event. Brother John also volunteered to be a team member in our new Security Usher Detail. This program covers every weekend Mass with a team of volunteers that maintain surveillance of the church grounds through an array of security cameras, a roving patrol, and guards at all entry points into the church. He has participated in the past year's fifth Sunday Rosaries, while helping to lead the decades and corresponding sets of mysteries. He also participates in the weekly Rosary on every Thursday following the Daily Mass. He is also a small group facilitator as host for several Prayer groups, and attended 14 weeks of training to support that leadership role. He recently volunteered to help relocate a widow to the Bob Hope Retirement Community from her house. He and several knights loaded up all her furniture and personal property to her new residence, thus relieving her of the expensive costs of hiring a moving company. Brother John embodies and exercises those Christian traits so necessary in today's Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus.