

**Knights of Columbus Business Meeting
Council 1134
Resurrection Parish
Ellicott City, MD
Thursday, January 7, 2010
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At 7:30pm on Thursday, January 7, 2010, a Council meeting was called to order with an opening prayer by Worthy Grand Knight Jeffrey Forsyth.

The roll of officers was called with the following results:

Grand Knight Jeffrey Forsyth	P	Chaplain Rev. Michael Triplett	E	Deputy Grand Knight John Garpstas	A
Chancellor Roy Harris	P	Warden Thomas Brandt	P	Recorder Samuel Lomonaco	P
Financial Secretary Stewart Bode	P	Treasurer Paul Messina	P	Lecturer Drew Scurachio	P
Advocate John Widitz	P	Inside Guard Hans Weidig IV	E	Outside Guard Mike Parker, Jr.	P
3 rd Year Trustee Drew Scurachio	P	2 nd Year Trustee Robert Carter	A	1 st Year Trustee Mike Parker	P

P = Present E = Excused Absence A = Absent

The minutes of the preceding meeting were posted on the council web site, and approved by acclamation with no amendments.

Admissions Committee Report:

There were no new applications.

Worthy Grand Knight's Report:

- Christmas Eve parking went well.
 - The snow was a problem. The sidewalks were not plowed.
 - In the future, we should start setup earlier. Setup should begin no later than 2pm
 - Seven knights volunteered
- The Council has met 100% of its membership and insurance quotas.
- Worthy Knight Paul Messina should be congratulated for the outstanding work he has done on the membership committee.
- The Christmas Poster Contest went very well. There were over 60 entrants! The winner will be announced this Sunday after the 9am mass.
- After the 10 am mass this Sunday, there will be a going away reception for Worthy Knight Hans Heidig.
- We (Worthy Grand Knight Jeffrey Forsyth and Worthy Knight Drew Scurachio) recently met with Msgr. John

- During the meeting we were happy to discover that Msgr. John is a 4th degree knight, and is very supportive of our Council.
- We discussed various topic, such as, how we work, how we can better support him, and how he could better support us.
- We also raised the issue of finding some way on the church grounds to make evident the Knights of Columbus pro-life stance. He suggested that we could occasionally put a large pro-life banner on the side of the church.
- We gave him a copy of our Council calendar
- The following motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously:

Motion:

Resurrection Council should purchase a pro-life banner to be hung on the side of Resurrection Church.

- The GK then began a discussion of how to make the Knights of Columbus' presence more visible in the parish
 - Msgr. John was enthusiastic about the Council's suggestion of having a Knights of Columbus display case in some highly visible church location. Unfortunately, two members of the Parish Council raised the objection that such a display case should be also dedicated equally to all other parish organizations.
- We also asked for some storage space for the Council. Msgr. John said some space near to the room that the Council uses for meetings.

Worthy Chaplain's Report:

None was given.

Worthy Treasurer's Report:

Worthy Council Treasurer Paul Messina stated that the Council's current balance as of the month of August is \$ 8,013.40. His detailed Treasurer's Report can be found in Attachment 1 of these minutes.

Worthy Financial Secretary's Report:

Knights of Columbus dues are currently due. So far 36 knights have divvied up. A second dues notice will be mailed out soon.

Service Committee Report:

- The Basketball Free Throw Contest is scheduled for Sunday, January 17, 2010. Unfortunately, no one scheduled the use of the Parish gym for the event. The Parish CYO has locked up the gym for the entire year. Hopefully, the CYO will be willing to share the gym with us. A January 16 or 23 meeting has been set up with the Parish Coordinator to discuss scheduling pitfalls. It was also mentioned that the Council currently needs 8 knights to sign up for the event.
- Benefits Night is set for January 18. Be sure to bring your wives.
- There will be A Valentine's Day Dinner Program at Bon Secour Retreat Center on February 14, 2010. The event begins at 4:30pm with wine and cheese, followed by

dinner. Drs. Robison and Robison will give a talk on marriage, followed by renewal of vows. The cost of the event is \$75.00 per couple.

- Founders Day Mass is Sunday, March 21, 2010 at twelve noon. It was suggested that this event be followed by a communion breakfast.
- Worthy Knight Hans Weidig mentioned that the sale of Christmas cards went very well.

Unfinished Business:

- Food arrangements for future Council meetings was then discussed. Frank and John were thanked for providing the food for the current meeting. The GK called for volunteers for future meetings, mentioning that Worthy Knight Stew Bode had a food slush fund. The following worthy knights volunteered to be responsible for the food on the days so indicated below:
 - February – Roy Harris
 - March – Stew Bode
 - April – Pat Brin
 - May – Mike Parker
- A seminar support program was the next item of discussion. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Council should discuss this matter with Msgr. John before proceeding further.
- The Council needs volunteers for the Parish's Sunday Coffee and Doughnuts.
- Fish Friday is set for February 26, 2010. Volunteers are needed.
- Volunteers are needed to help fill the slots for Adoration on Mondays.
- Worthy Knight Hans Weidig, Jr. gave a report on Christmas Eve parking.
- The GK mentioned that Fr. John is leaving. The following motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously:

Motion:

The Council will present to Fr. John a gift of \$100.00 in thanks to his generous service to the parish.

New Business:

- Before the next Council Business Meeting on March 4, there will be a joint mass with the Catholic Daughters. ???
- The date of the Council's April meeting has been moved to April 8, 2010. The Officer's Meeting will take place on April 6, 2010.
- The Michael J. McGivney Assembly is raising money for the fuel program for the Military Airlift Command, and has asked our Council to contribute. The following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed:

Motion:

The Council will donate \$100.00 to the McGivney Assembly for the fuel program for the Military Airlift Command.

- Worthy Knights John and Frank volunteered to organize 20-10 Italian Dinner Night. ???

4th Degree Report:

- Nine brothers from our Council will be receiving the 4th Degree at the upcoming exemplification. The following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed:

Motion:

For the upcoming exemplification, the Council will purchase for \$90.00 a full page ad listing the names of all its council members receiving the 4th Degree.

Worthy District Deputy Report:

- The Knights of Columbus will be contributing to the Food Bank
- The Worthy District Deputy announced the upcoming event Bowling for Change, One Pin at a Time. The cost is \$500.00 per team
- Knights of Columbus policy on twittering: Please refrain from sending political email to other knights.
- The Worthy District Deputy congratulated the Council on its success in its membership drive. Congratulations were also given for the Council's successful insurance drive.
- New member are warmly welcomed!

Worthy Lecturer Report:

None was given.

Brothers in Distress:

- Keep Brother Tony Green in your prayers.
- Pray for Brother David Grant

Worthy Chaplain's Summation:

A closing prayer was given by Worthy Grand Knight Jeffrey Forsyth.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes taken by Sam Lomonaco

Attachment 1.

**Knights of Columbus
Resurrection Council # 11341**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Paul Messina, Treasurer
Month of November, 2009

Cash on Hand, Beginning of Period		\$6954.21
<u>Receipts</u>		
Received from Financial Secretary		
Dues	\$1435.00	
Christmas Cards	\$671.35	
Total Receipts	\$2106.35	
<u>Disbursements</u>		
Per Capita		
Supreme Council-	\$0.00	
State Council	\$0.00	
Chapter	\$0.00	
General Council Expenses		
Refreshments	\$63.47	
Priest Appreciation Gifts	\$250.00	
Degree fees	\$44.00	
Italian Dinner Donation	\$100.00	
Postage	\$95.42	
Supreme- supplies	\$184.42	
State Council- Christmas Cards	<u>\$309.75</u>	
Total Disbursements	\$1047.06	
Net Increase (Decrease)	\$1059.19	
Net Balance on Hand		\$8013.40