



Council 3162 Meeting Minutes for MARCH 6, 2024

1. **CALL TO ORDER**: 7:01 PM by GK Richard Caron, **KNIGHTS IN ATTENDANCE**: 29

Silent Roll Call of Officers:

Title	BK	P/E	Title	BK	P/E
Grand Knight	GK Richard L. Caron	P	Deputy Grand Knight	BK Albert Cruz	P
Chancellor	BK Tim Muleady	P	Recorder	PGK Rick Lewis	P
Warden	BK Ricky Ruffier	P	Treasurer	BK Ed Bagon	P
Advocate	PGK David A. Diaz, Jr	E	Inside Guard	BK David A. Diaz, Sr	P
Outside Guard 1	PGK Art Gunther	P	Outside Guard 2	BK George Brown III	E
1st Year Trustee	BK Jesus Lego	E	2nd Year Trustee	PGK Rick Sharp	P
3rd Year Trustee	PGK David L. Austin	P	Chaplain	Fr Jim Ries	E
Lecturer	BK Chris Weber	P	Financial Secretary	Buster Beazley	P

Non-Voters

Deacon Lyle Blackmon - Excused

2. **OPENING PRAYER**: Our Father: Fr Jude Serfino
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**: GK Richard Caron
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (February 7, 2024)**:
 Motion made by: BK Jeff Ripa
 Second by: BK Al Cruz
 Discussion:
 Action: Carried
5. **SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT**: Deacon Lyle Blackmon – Not Present – No Report
6. **CHAPLAIN'S REPORT**: Fr. Jim Ries – Not Present – No Report
7. **GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**: GK Richard Caron
 - At this time, I appoint Fr. Jim Ries as our new Chaplain. I would have moved him to his position at the dais. He will be at the head table at the April meeting.
 - KofC California State Convention will be held this May 16 – 19 in Visalia, California. The Council will need to select two delegates. The delegates should be the current Grand Knight and a Past Grand Knight. We will need to select two alternative delegates in case either or both delegates cannot attend. This vote will happen at the April Business meeting.
 - Check presentation to Ivey Ranch Park Association was on March 2, 2024, at 11 am and included a tour of the facility. We had 7 Brother Knights, and 2 spouses attended. Tonya was very appreciative and informative.
 - Membership Quota for Columbian Year 2023-2024 is 11 we are at 7.



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- Requests from SK Eugene Garcia's family: Requests a 4th Degree Honor Guard at the Rosary or Funeral. Requests the Council (Gilbert Alvarez) conducts the Rosary on March 18 at 4:30 PM at Eternal Hill. The Joyful Mysteries will be said. His funeral Mass will be in the MSLRP Chapel at 10 AM on March 19. He will be interred at Eternal Hills directly after Mass. Requests the reception be in the Knights Hall on the afternoon of March 19.

8. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2024: Reported: Treasurer BK Ed Bagon

1	WIDOWS AND ORPHANS DISASTER ACCOUNT	\$3,009.20
2	SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT	\$4,797.32
3	SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT	\$145.16
4	GENERAL SAVING ACCOUNT	\$4,873.21
5	PRO-LIFE FUND	\$329.07
6	VOCATION FUND	\$3,188.73
7	WHEELCHAIR MISSION	\$438.91
8	SQUIRES FUND	\$823.23
9	SPECIAL OLYMPICS	\$145.75
	Other: FOOD-4-FAMILY	\$389.70
	Other: VETERANS AND FOOD EVENTS	\$895.00
	Other: 365 CLUB FUND	\$240.37
	Other: WARRIOR TO LOURDES FUND	\$1,000.00
10	Other: TOTAL	\$2,525.07
	TOTAL BUSINESS INTEREST MAXIMIZER ACCOUNT	\$20,275.65
	AVAILABLE CHECKING BALANCE	\$14,397.59
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$34,673.24
	DEPOSITS (CHECKING)	\$1,498.86
	INTEREST (Savings/Checking) (0.48/0.13)	\$0.61
	TOTAL INCOME	\$1,498.86
	EXPENSES	\$1,730.28



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9. **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**: Reported: PGK David Austin

An exemplification will be held in the Knights Hall at 6:00 PM on March 16. We currently have two attendees: Steve Granata and Tim Scott.

There may be another candidate, the grandson of Ida and Fernando Acuna. We should also invite Fr. Jim Ries to attend the exemplification.

Form 100 for a new member Tim Scott has been submitted. I am making a motion for Tim Scott to be approved for Council membership.

- Motion: PGK David Austin
- Second: PGK Rick Lewis
- Discussion:
- Action: Carried

10. **OTHER REPORTS**:

A. PROGRAM DIRECTOR: DGK Al Cruz

B. FAMILY DIRECTOR: BK Jack Schwarzel:

Food for Families Report: BK Philip de Roulet

- Our food collection for February was 1013 pounds with 411 pounds from the Base chapels. Year to date total 1967 pounds. We have a new goal of 3000 pounds. For every 1000 pounds we collect, Supreme gives the Council \$100.
- On our Food for Families food drive on February 17th and 18th we collected 602 pounds and direct donations of \$25 dollars in cash and a \$500 gift card.
- April 6 & 7 will be the next food drive in the Parish with May 19th being a food drive on Base.
- In May/June, food collection may occur at softball league championship games.

C. COMMUNITY DIRECTOR: GK Richard Caron

- We have met our goals in Community required for Star Council.

D. FAITH DIRECTOR: DGK Al Cruz

- We are meeting our goals. We have watched 5 videos of the Into the Breach program and have held Corporate Communions.
- We still have the Good Friday prayer program scheduled.
- We may be coordinating with Deacon Lyle on a Stations of the Cross.



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E. LIFE DIRECTOR: PGK David Diaz reported by DGK Al Criz

- The final event of the year will be distributing baby bottles on April 6th and 7th. and collection on April 27th and 28th. We will need assistance. As a reminder to everyone, there is more to the program than bottles filled with change. Diapers, blankets, and all types of baby supplies should be collected. We should contact the Christie in the office and see if the priests at the Masses on April 6 and 7 can make a clarification announcement.

F. 4TH DEGREE REPORT: DISTRICT DEPUTY reported by DGK Al Cruz

- The local Assembly is 0074 FR. Peyri Assembly. Meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at Saint Francis Catholic Church in Vista.
- Widows and Widowers Luncheon April 13, 2024, Saint Martin of Tours Catholic Church in La Mesa 7710 El Cajon Blvd La Mesa Please RSVP by 03/30/2024 by email or via telephone at cjotrevino@gmail.com 858-602-6881.

G. VOCATIONS: BK Vern Capistran:

- For every \$500 given to an individual seminarian or religious aspirant, Supreme will refund the council or assembly \$100. The maximum refund a council or assembly can receive is \$400 per individual supported. In addition to financial support, Councils are also required to provide some form of moral and spiritual support for their success.
- There will be a motion presented in New Business.

H. SQUIRES & ROSES: BK Gilbert Alvarez:

- 115 kids recently attended a retreat. They really gain so much from these events. There is an expensive retreat coming up later this year and we hope to send 6 or 7 kids.
- The Squires & Roses will help at the Multi-Cultural Stations of the Cross and during Holy Week. They will also help with the Chili Cookoff.

I. CHILI COOKOFF: PGK David Austin reported:

- It is in full swing. It will be held on May 3, 2024, in the St. Francis Center. It will run from 6 to 8 PM. A family will pay \$25 while a single entry will cost \$15. We have 11 cooks so far and need to double that number. If anyone wishes to provide sides like cornbread or salads, they will be appreciated. We will be supporting the Squires with a portion of the proceeds.



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J. GOLF TOURNAMENT: PGK David Austin reported:

- We will begin a hard push this March. The final committee will be selected the first week of March and duties will be assigned. There are 5-7 people on the list. The event will be pushed to August 23, 2024.

K. INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE:

Troy F. Liddi was present tonight. He explained that while the Southern California Knights are serviced by the agency listed below, he is willing and able to help us out with insurance and investment questions and issues and do a fraternal insurance presentation.

His contact information is:

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L. STATE DEPUTY: SD Greg Marracq: Transcribed from his webpage comments.

Dear Brothers,

Many times, in our daily prayers we are asking for things or thanking God for things. But during Lent we are asked to pray with an open heart and to listen to God. There are many aids to help us do that.

My brothers, we all need to take at least a few minutes each day to recharge, but more so during Lent. We need to stop, be silent, listen to God speak to us and show us the way. During this season of Lent ask your council's leadership and chaplain to plan a day of reflection for the council members and families.

As some of you might know, I am a convert to Catholicism. At the beginning of my journey in faith at the time of Lent I asked a priest how does fasting work? Father said to look at fasting/sacrifice and alms giving/service together. Help **do more** programs. Most importantly we need to see what **more** sacrifices and service we can do to benefit our families.

Invite prospective new members to join you and your council towards a better understanding and relationship with God by becoming a part of our Order.

May **more** of God's Blessings be with you and your family during this season of Lent.

Vivat Jesus!



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M. DISTRICT DEPUTY: DD Viet Nguyen

- We are in the middle of Lent. Thank you for your support and leadership in your council.
- During this time of self-reflection let's find ourselves in deep prayer, and fasting so that we see that God is the center of our lives. District 155 free throw contest at Saint Joseph Academy San Marcos District winners will be notified.
- Lots of activity during Holy Week ask the parish office if the Knights Council can help in any way i.e. setup, breakdown, ushering.
- On March 23, 2024, there will be an event at the Garden of Innocence at the El Camino Memorial Cemetery located at 5600 Carroll Canyon Rd, San Diego, CA 92121. The Knights prepare at 9:30 AM and it starts at 10 AM.
- Also on March 23, 2024, the next Chapter meeting will be at St. Gabriel Catholic Church, 13734 Twin Peaks Rd, Poway, CA 92064. Starting at noon with Stations of the Cross the meeting will begin at 12:30.
- California State Council, Knights of Columbus

Star Tracker, Fraternal Year 2023-2024

Rank	Districts	175 Intake	Total	Quotas DD	Quota DD	Quota %
27th	155	3	11	21	15	73.33%

District 155 with Council 3162 ranked in the top 30 in the State!!

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No Items

12. NEW BUSINESS:

ACTION 1:

Worthy Financial Secretary, please present any bills not previously approved for payment. We have an expenditure of \$25.40 for badges.

Motion: Not Required

Second:

Discussion:

Action:



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ACTION 2:

Since the Vocations account is funded primarily from the Christmas Cards program and the current balance is \$3188, BK Vern Capistran is making a motion that the next checks to our two seminarians be \$625 each and that they be presented to them in April or May. The first set of payments were given on 12/3/23 at \$375 each.

Motion: BK Vern Capistran

Second: DGK Al Cruz

Discussion:

Action: Carried

ACTION 3:

Donation for SK Gene Garcia's after funeral reception for food of \$125.

Motion: FS Buster Beazley

Second: DGK Al Cruz

Discussion:

Action: Carried

ACTION 4:

Nominations for the delegates for the KofC State Convention to be held in Visalia from May 16 to 19. The Grand Knight and a Past Grand Knight are primary delegates, while a minimum of a 3rd Degree Knight or Past Grand Knights be designated as alternates. The confirmation vote will be held at the April meeting.

Nominations for Primary Delegates: GK Richard Caron and PGK Richard Sharp

Nominations for Alternate Delegates: PGK Rick Lewis and BK Vincent Hentges.

13. GOOD OF THE ORDER:

A check was presented to BK Gilbert Alvarez of \$700 for Squires & Roses.

- A. Family of the Month: February 2024: BK Stephen and Marietta Kimball
- B. Knight of the Month: February 2024: BK Philip De Roulet
- C. Awards: Fr Jude Serfino and BK Cesar Barinas received their 3rd Degree Certificates.
- D. Shining Armor Award: None
- E. Opportunity Drawing: \$32 was awarded to BK Ed Bagon.
- F. Attendance Drawing: \$60 not awarded. BK John Schaffer was not present. (178 members). The amount increases to \$65 for April 2024.
- G. Rosary Check: BK Tim Muleady

BK Tim Muleady asked for volunteers to help decorate the church for Palm Sunday and Holy Week. DGK Al Cruz and PGK David Austin presented BK Peter Marini an invitation to assist in



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working on the Council's webpage. FS Buster Beazley shared Council 9111 will be having a St. Patrick's dinner on March 17 at \$25 per person. Information is on its webpage.

14. LECTURER'S REFLECTION: BK Chris Weber:

St. Joseph was the subject of the reflection. He has two feast days. May 1st is for St. Joseph the Worker. March 19 he is honored as the spouse of Mary and the stepfather of Jesus. The Hebrew word to describe his job has been interpreted as carpenter. However, it could also stand for carver. That means he might have been a mason working in stone. It would also support our view of him as a builder and repairer.

15. GRAND KNIGHT'S SUMMARY:

- We have 5 more events left for this Columbian Year, let's finish the year strong.
- Thank you for all your support.
- Please don't forget to advance your clock 1 hour this Saturday night for the start of Day Light Savings time.

16. CLOSING PRAYER: Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

In addition to those listed on the prayer list in the back of the room, does any brother know of a member of this Council, or his family or others associated with us who are sick or in distress?

Please pray for: BK Tom Reising (Deceased); SK Eugene Garcia (Deceased); Diana P. (wife), Sam P.(husband), and Samantha P. (daughter); J.P. Van Gordon (Deceased), BK Don Watters, Bob Armani, Walt, Mario Rocha, Florence Schwarzel, BK Ricky Ruffier, Ida Acuna, BK Tim Daniels, BK Ron Harvey, BK George Rovetto, and BK Al Rowe.

17. ADJOURNMENT: 8:12 PM

18. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: April 3, 2024, at 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted by:

Attested by:

Rick Lewis, PGK
Recorder

Richard Caron
Grand Knight