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Knights of Columbus Newsletter
Council 9096 Apple Valley, MN
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Grand Knight Report

Upcoming Events

2/10-2/11 Cinnamon Roll Sales for Preg. Choices

2/14 ASH WEDNESDAY

2/18 Pancake Breakfast

2/20 Degree Exemplification 630pm

2/20 Council Rosary at 7pm

2/20 Council Meeting at 7:30pm

3/2 & 3/3 Recruiting Weekend

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Knights of Columbus Council 9096:

2023/2024 Officers:

Grand Knight: Dan Hindes 612-237-4794

Dpt Grand Knight: Tim Blodgett 952-215-2453

Chaplain: Fr Matthew Malek 502-744-0240

Chancellor: Chuck Woodward 952-895-9926

Financial Secy: Andy Howard 952-917-9959

Treasurer: Steve Lorenz 612-501-4211

Records Secy: Cameron Hoppe 480-694-0407

Warden: Bill Kelly 612-419-9269

Advocate: Steve Dahl 952-892-0383

Inside Guard: Jeff Konkol 414-477-0478

Outside Guard: Peter Sebastian

Lecturer: Vacant

Trustee (1 Year): Gary Keller 952-212-2638

Trustee (2 Year): Rich Ehalt 952-432-5317

Trustee (3 Year): Rex Huttes 612-859-7314

District Deputy: Steve Lorenz 612-501-4211



Dear Brothers,

Wow! What a January, or Winter for that matter! After last winter's record-breaking snow, and cold, this weather has been a blessing. I can't wait for summer to complain about the heat and humidity (and bugs).

Another WOW was our January spaghetti dinner! A very large thank you goes to brother knight, Steve Lorenz and his wife, Julie!! And of course, thanks to the behind-the-scenes volunteers who helped pull it all together and clean up!

Our next meeting is Feb 20th, and it will be a busy one. At 630pm we will be having a virtual exemplification to bring 3 new members into our council. If you have not received 2nd or 3rd degree (under the prior or "old" style exemplifications), this would be a great opportunity to upgrade your degree status. This is a 35-minute ceremony. Rosary will be at 7pm, followed by our meeting at 730pm, and social time of course..

It's time to register for the State convention! We need 2 delegates to attend. In the past we have offered this opportunity to brother knights who would be interested in taking on an officer role in the succession ladder: Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Warden, Chancellor, Recorder, Guards. Please contact me if you are interested. 612-237-4794. It is May3-5, at Breezy Point. Our council will reimburse you for 2 nights hotel, meals for you and your spouse, and round-trip mileage (for those asking, it is budgeted). Please think about it and let me know by our 2/20 meeting.

Star Council: we are closing in on all requirements to meet our goal! Of course, membership growth is a requirement. You can't get a new member without asking. And, yes, you may get rejected, but you may just touch a nerve on a potential candidate, young father, grandfather, single guy, friend, neighbor, relative/in-law. Just ask. Have them go to kofc.org/join, use our council number 9096, your member number as referral, no insurance referral, the sign-up free code is blessedmcgivney (not case sensitive). They will be a non-degreed knight. I will get their information and get back to them for degree exemplification and entry into our council. Please pray and think about this and do it.

Vivat Jesus!

Dan Hindes, Grand Knight

KC Apple Valley/Risen Savior Council 9096

Meeting Agenda

December 28, 2023

1. Meeting was called to order by GK Dan Hindes -- Meeting Started at 7:30 pm
2. Opening Prayer
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Warden's calling of the role of officers present/absent
5. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes (motion required) -- Minutes approved unanimously
6. Chaplain's Message
7. Self introductions and Introduce Guest(s) -- One Guest and potential new member was present at the meeting
8. Grand Knight's Report
 - a. Convention & Delegates 5/3-5/5 Breezy Point
See newsletter article.
 - b. Early convention = early SP7/Columbian Award for State 2/28 (no change Supreme)
 - c. Need a volunteer or more to contact newer members, just to stay in touch
Not a call for dues. Volunteer will be asked to reach out to new members to see if the Knights can support our new members in their journey.
 - d. January meeting will be our spaghetti dinner; details to follow
January 16th at 6:30 pm. Spouses and prospective new members are invited. Donations will be accepted to keep the dinner within budget. Free will offering was approved unanimously. Volunteers needed, e.g., grocery shopper, set up, and clean up volunteers needed. See newsletter article
 - e. Correspondence received:
Received thank you letters. Also received a request from Unity Catholic High School requesting a donation. \$250 donation approved unanimously.
9. Treasurer's Report (NO motion required)
Update checks disbursed and account balances
10. Financial Secretary's Report
 - a. Membership Status
155 members, 46 are honorary or honorary life members
 - b. Unpaid Dues Status (2023)
Dues Letters will be sent out in January along with State Scholarship Raffle tickets, and order forms for our council apparel.
 - c. Dues waiver billing of new members but still getting them other information. FS Andy will handle
 - d. Affiliate Member Status deferred
 - e. Bills not previously approved (unbudgeted) for approval (motion required)
No unpaid bills
 - f. IRS form 990N status
 - g. Reports due January
 - i. #4584 Partnership Profile Report with Special Olympics (pdf) – due 31st
 - ii. #1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (pdf) – due 31st
 - iii. #1728 Annual Survey of Council Activities (online) – Council FS or GK only due 31st
11. Membership Report (**Tim Blodgett**)
 - a. Balloting of Candidates for Admission or Transfer (motion required)
1 signed up online, but may not be able to attend meetings
1 observer
1 interested in transfer
 - b. Update on membership efforts from last pancake breakfast
If we gain 6 new members between now and Feb 28th we get a free popup banner
12. Program Reports/Status towards Faith In Action Columbian Award Requirements
 - f. Life/Faith **Terry McCall**
We are the lead Council for ultrasound machine for pregnancy choices. Checks can be made out to pregnancy choices with ultrasound in the memo for tax deductibility.
2. Faith **Jerry Kuennen**
Family Rosary on Sunday at 10am after 9am mass in the Chapel
January 22nd March for Life at the Capital at 10 AM. Shuttle from Mary Mother of the Church may be available.
3. Community **Bill Rabe**
Not Present
4. Family/Council **BJ Bertram**
Polo Shirts, Caps, and Dress Shirts can be ordered along with dues.
13. Other Reports
 - a. Event Chairs Updates last held events; status of upcoming events
Last year Mark Meyer spoke from campus faith clubs. In 2023 they trained 100 evangelists. Council donation is highly appreciated.
Scholarship raffle tickets still available. 103 tickets have already been sold. Alan and Dennis are co-chairing the effort.

- b. Fourth Degree
Dan came in second and Jeff came in first in the 4th degree ugly sweater contest. Next meeting is 2nd Thursday of January
 - c. Insurance
 - d. District Deputy
No information to share
 - e. Other/Miscellaneous
14. Old Business
- a. Reminder of upcoming exposition of the Holy Eucharist every Friday 930am – 7pm; Holy Hour at 6pm First Friday Mass too.
 - b. Joint effort with Watchmen KC's encouraged to attend next meeting 1/23. 630pm light meal/social followed by presentation and prayer. Contact/RSVP https://risensavior.org/catholic-watchmen_ or me if you are not on their mailing list (see newsletter article).
 - c. January Spaghetti Dinner 1/16
 - d. March for Life 1/22/2024 see mccl.org/march
15. New Business
We are half-way through the year. It is not too early to begin planning for next year's officers. All members are invited to ask to consider.
16. Good of the Order (deferred)
- a. Awards (family/knight of the month/year, etc.) suggestions to GK
 - b. Knight of the Month pending defer
17. Grand Knight's Summary
18. Prayer Requests and Closing Prayer (RECORDER do not name)
19. Motion for Adjournment @ 830pm
20. Next Meeting: 1/16 Spaghetti Dinner
21. Social/Refreshments

Respectfully submitted by Cameron Hoppe, Recorder

Monthly Meeting Refreshment Schedule

Monthly Meeting is conducted in the Risen Savior Church
Bays 1 and 2 on the Third Tuesday of each Month at 7:30 PM

Effective Date: July 1, 2023

<i>KC Meeting Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Telephone Number</i>
February 20, 2024 Tuesday 7:30 PM	Bill Rabe	612-940-2792
March 19, 2024 Tuesday 7:30 PM	Koffi Koumedjro	612-245-4932
April 16, 2024 Tuesday 7:30 PM	Andy Howard	952-917-9959
May 21, 2024 Tuesday 7:30 PM	Roy Tangeman	319-360-2756
June 18, 2024 Tuesday 7:30 PM	Jerry Kuennen	952-236-7523

Your Refreshment Guidelines:

- \$60 Monthly Refreshment Budget (Please bring receipts to KC Meeting for reimbursement).
- Use your own cooler.
- Bring 20 to 24 Beers, 12 Pop, and 4 Water.
- Bring snacks to share such as peanuts, chocolate, crackers, cheese, etc.
- The refreshments and snacks that are not consumed are yours to take home
- Our KC Newsletter will list the person responsible for the monthly refreshments.
- If you cannot fulfill your monthly assignment, please contact another Knight on the schedule.

Food on the First Results

On January 8 (Monday), 2024, the Apple Valley Knights of Columbus council delivered 1215 pounds of food from Risen Savior to the Burnsville 360 Communities Food Shelf.

Since July 1, 2023, our council has delivered 6799 pounds of food to the food shelf.

UltraSound Update – Pregnancy Choices

Thank you to all who have donated towards the new Ultrasound machine at Pregnancy Choices in Apple Valley. So far, six local Councils have raised \$9,000 towards the overall \$15,000 needed. Apple Valley Council has contributed \$1000 so far. Our Council 9096 goal is \$2500.

Knights of Columbus Supreme matches the amount given locally for the ultrasound. The total cost of the machine is \$30,000. Supreme matches dollar for dollar what you give.

It's not too late to contribute. Send a check today to Pregnancy Choices, 15010 Glazier Ave., Suite #104, Apple Valley, MN 55124. Mark on the memo line 'Council 9096 – Ultrasound'.

DID YOU GET YOUR ONE HOUR?

This is directed towards our newer members, not the consistently involved brother knights.

If I am the brother knight who got you to join the KC's, you probably remember me telling you that the time commitment is only 1 hour a year. First let me reassure you that no one is keeping track. We all have busy schedules and commitments. To those who might be wondering "what can I do?", let me offer some suggestions. If you are interested but don't know how to volunteer, each newsletter article has a contact person listed, OR you can contact me and I will forward your information. Here we go...

Attend a meeting, help on cinnamon roll weekend, help at a pancake breakfast after Mass, Spring bingo, Von Hansen's weekend hot dog sales, Special Olympics Tootsie Roll drive, check-in calls with certain members (not a dues related call).

High School Senior Scholarship Fundraiser

The Knights are once again selling Raffle Tickets to fund our High School Senior Scholarship and to help cover some of the cost of the 2024 Youth Mission Trip. We will be selling the tickets throughout January, February, March and the start of April. The tickets are \$10 each and you will have a chance to win one of ten \$100 prizes or the grand prize of \$500. Look for the tickets before or after church and during our pancake breakfasts or send me an email. The raffle drawing will be held during our April 16th Council Meeting. Need not be present to win. Best of luck! Steve.Lorenz65@gmail.com

February 20 Deadline -- Apple Valley Knights of Columbus 2024 Clothing Order

Don't be left out! Our Knights of Columbus Council is in the process of ordering caps, short and long sleeve Polo Shirts, and Dress Shirts. Everything will be the same maroon color as our current Caps and Shirts. If you are interested in purchasing a cap and/or shirt, please fill out the ordering form that was sent with your 2024 membership dues notice. **The ordering deadline is February 20, 2024.** For your convenience, there will be ordering forms at the February 20 KC Meeting. You may also receive an ordering form by emailing B. J. Bertram at bertram60@msn.com or calling him at (952) 435-8461. You will be contacted in March/April informing you when and where to pick up your order.

February 10th and 11th Cinnamon Roll Sales for Pregnancy Choices

The council will be offering Cinnamon Rolls at the Risen Savior 5pm, 9am, and 11am Masses, and asking for a free-will offering. Please reach out to Terry McCall mccallterry@yahoo.com if you can

help!

February 18th KC Feed the Hungry Pancake Breakfast



The Risen Savior Knights of Columbus are having a Pancake, Sausage and Fruit Breakfast on February 18 (Sunday) from 9:30 AM to 12:30PM. Treat yourself and your family to a delicious breakfast in the Risen Savior's Resurrection Hall. The pancake breakfast proceeds will be donated to various Feed the Hungry Organizations such as the Burnsville Food Shelf and the Feed My Starving Children that our council supports.

If you would like to volunteer for a short work shift, please contact Steve Dahl at (612) 987-9521 or at jsdahl@comcast.net.

March 2nd and 3rd KC Recruiting Weekend

The Council will hold our recruiting weekend on March 2 and 3, at all Masses. Volunteers are needed to greet parishoners and talk about our mission and brotherhood. Please reach out to Tim Blodgett tblodgett@yahoo.com if you can help.

Build the Man Spiritual Opportunities

The greatest of all the opportunities is the weekly ability to take some time to drop in and visit Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, on Fridays from 930am (after the 9am Mass) to 7pm. In the last hour at 6pm there is a Holy Hour with Benediction.

Of course, there is our pre-meeting Rosary usually at 7pm.

And there is the Catholic Watchmen. Some might feel that we are in competition with them, but we are not. Nor is it meant to be a recruiting event (of course unless someone comes up to us and asks about the KC's). Right now the Watchmen are following the KC video presentations of "Into the Breach." When this series is complete, there are other KC materials which we might suggest, but it is the Watchmen facilitators who make the decision. Meetings are on the 4th Tuesday (next is 2/27). Their meetings start at 630pm with a meal and social time, followed by the presentation and discussion, followed by prayer. They are usually done by 830pm. Several KC's are already attending Watchmen. Why not you?!

Speaking of Watchmen, please click here for info on the upcoming Archdiocesan Men's Conference, March 23rd at St. Joe's in Rosemount.

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