

**Knights of Columbus Council 12532 St. John Neumann**  
**General Council Meeting**  
**June 8, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by Grand Knight John Radicone at 7:03 p.m.

The opening prayer was offered by the Grand Knight.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Grand Knight.

**Roll call of officers**

Chaplain: Father Daniel F.X. (Dan) Powell	Excused
Grand Knight: John Radicone	Present
Deputy Grand Knight: Theodore (Ted) Buczacki	Present
Treasurer: Dennis (Buzz) Anspach	Present
Chancellor: Wayne M. Wagner Jr	Excused
Recorder: Thomas (Tom) Carr	Excused
Financial Secretary: Robert (Bob) Richards	Present
Advocate: Bruce Bischoff	Excused
Inside Guard: John Krebs	Present
Outside Guard: Joel Harnish	Present
Warden: Gerald (Jerry) Sauers	Present
3rd Year Trustee: Alfred T Stamp Jr.	Present
2nd Year Trustee: William H. (Bill) Allison	Present
1st Year Trustee: John E. (Jack) Schuring	Present
Lector: Brandon M. Kreiser	Present

**Minutes:** The reading of the minutes of the 05/25 General Council meeting was waived. Approved as submitted (and edited by Jack Schuring).

## **Grand Knight report -- John Radicone**

- The Grand Knight again thanked the council for its support and said he will continue to do what he can to forward the mission of this council and the Knights of Columbus at large.
- Noted that Pope Francis declared this year the Year of St. Joseph, who as Jesus' guardian on Earth serves as a good example for Father's Day.
- Noted that **Steve Nusca** has stepped up as our council's Safe Environment Officer, volunteering to take the online training needed to fill this gap.
- Noted that church renovations will start in August, that Masses will be held in the gym of St. John Neumann School, with overflow seating in the Social Hall to watch the Mass livestreamed and Holy Communion in both locations.
- Stated he ordered more Rosary rings, and that a plastic tray will be set out, containing a few rings at a time, for people to take them, along with cards about how to pray the Rosary, and information about joining the Knights.
- Stated he would like to see the council again take an active role in restocking the parish food bank.

**Correspondence:** St. John Neumann School Principal Kyla Hockley sent a thank-you note to the council for contributing \$500 to the school's auction fundraiser.

## **TREASURER REPORT (Buzz Anspach)**

- **Council general fund:** Beginning balance of \$12,964.16 saw outflows totaling \$907.59, a dues payment of \$30 and a current balance of **\$12,086.57**.
- **Church fund:** Beginning balance of \$5,539.80 gained five cents interest for a current balance of **\$5,539.85**.
- **Scholarship fund:** Beginning balance of \$6,490.88 gained five cents interest for a current balance of **\$6,490.93**.
- **Relief fund:** Beginning balance of \$650 gained one cent interest for a current balance of **\$650.01**.

- **David Wilson** said he sold excess donated apple trees earning \$90 for the council. He planned to give a check to the Treasurer.

## **FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT (Bob Richards)**

Council approved paying two bills:

- \$61.49 to **Robert Mathis** for annual maintenance of the council website.
- \$52.93 to **John Radicone** for Rosary rings.

Service hours recorded.

## **DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (Dick Reehling)**

The District Deputy:

- Offered greetings from state leaders and praised the council as very active, with many members doing different things to make things work. He called 12532 a great council and said, “I’m glad I got my start here.”
- Encouraged members to support other councils’ efforts, noting that **New Holland Council 13451** will be holding a **chicken barbecue June 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at Keen’s Industrial Supply, 580 East Main St, New Holland: \$12 for full chicken dinner; \$7 for a half chicken dinner.
- Noted Baltimore **Archbishop William E. Lori**, Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, cited **the biblical mustard seed**, a small seed that grows into a large and productive tree, calling it a good image in thinking about **the instruction of children**, letting them see us do the little things right, such as going to Mass and speaking positively about the faith. Archbishop Lori encouraged Knights to try to have at least one conversation with children about the faith in the near future.
- Led the **Prayer to St. Joseph**.

## **FINANCIAL ADVISER REPORT (Jon Deakin)**

Noted that **Jeff Bellomo**, of York-based Bellomo & Associates, will make a **brief presentation on managing one's finances** at the start of the **July 13 council meeting** and said bringing him back for a longer presentation open to all might be a good way to hold a soft membership drive for the council. The **Grand Knight** called the council presentation a good opportunity, particularly for knights preparing to retire in the next couple of years.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Pig Roast/Golf Outing: Jerry Sauers** said a pair of back-to-back meetings for the two events will be held **June 23** beginning at 6:30 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m. One decision has been made: Pig Roast attendees will again be welcome to sit in the grove for their meals if they wish.

**Holiday Ball: John Radicone** said it will be a buffet held Jan. 7 at the Eden Resort. Cost is to be determined at the next officers meeting, but will likely be between \$40 and \$45 per person.

**COAL: Buzz Anspach** thanked everyone for proceeds of \$942.30. No winners from our council this year.

**Degree Team: Larry Beat** said the team will meet for practice in the Social Hall at 7 p.m. Monday, June 14, for the **June 15 exemplification at 7 p.m. in the Social Hall**. Candidates will arrive at 6:30 p.m. Larry called it a great team that could use a few new members to keep it going strong. Members are encouraged to invite their wives to the exemplification. **Deacon Michael Oles** is expected to attend and **Father Dan Powell** will be the ceremony's honoree.

**Pro-life: Larry Beat** said Dave Edgar has been doing an excellent job in getting a pro-life message in each bulletin.

- Pro-life Stations of the Cross will be held in the Grove on the 2nd Friday of each month following the 9 a.m. Mass.
- Starting June 24, pro-life Stations will be held at 6:30 p.m. each **Fourth Thursday of the month.**
- **Vigils** to make the message public will be held at **St. Anne's Church** at Liberty and Duke streets each Tuesday, alternating times as follows **9-11 a.m., June 15; 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. June 22;** and the **third Saturday of each month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**
- Father Dan wants to get all of these activities in the bulletin.

**Vocations:** The **Grand Knight** noted an ordination last Saturday in Harrisburg added two priests to the Harrisburg Diocese.

**Grounds: Jerry Sauers** said there will be a **work detail 9 a.m. Saturday, June 19,** to mulch back of church and maybe move some roses that failed to take in front of the church.

**Retention:** The Grand Knight noted that one payment was made among the more than a dozen delinquencies announced at the last council meeting. Members were encouraged to personally invite men they know to join the council.

**Fifth Sunday Rosary: Ron Eluk** said the latest was held Sunday, June 5 and 6, and thanked Al Stamp, Tom Carr, John Radicone, Jack Schuring and others for leading them at all Masses, noted that the Fifth Sunday Rosary will be live-streamed from now on and leaders will finish all prayers so there's no dead air for those watching online. The next Fifth Sunday Rosary will be held in August and a signup sheet will be available at the next council meeting.

**4th Degree:** The next meeting is June 15 (7:15 Rosary, 7:30 meeting start) at St. Catherine of Sienna Church, 955 Robert Fulton Hwy., Quarryville

**Membership report:** New members will be voted in at the meeting after exemplification.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Grand Knight reviewed the list of incoming officers and noted that the Financial Secretary is appointed by the Grand Knight and approved by Supreme, not elected.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- The **Grand Knight** noted that future **general council meetings will be held in the Social Hall**, giving a chance to have refreshments to socialize a bit afterward. And **officers' meetings will be held in the parish's new library**.
- **Ted Buszinski** said that with more people going back to work at their workplaces with the wind-down of COVID-19, **meeting times will likely return to 7:15 p.m.**

### **CLOSING**

**Ted Buszinski** closed the meeting.

Prayers for the sick and distressed:

The Prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney

### **Good of the Order:**

Closing prayer led by **Ted Buszinski**

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

**Next officers' meeting:** 6:30 p.m. June 22, in the library

**Next general council meeting:** July 13 at 7 p.m. (6:30 p.m. Rosary)

Respectfully submitted by Joe Hainthaler