

St Molua Minutes of January 13, 2025 In Person Business Meeting

Roll Call of Officers

Grand Knight	Chris Simon	P	Recorder	PGK Keith Lisak	P
Chaplain	Rev. Paul	E	Inside Guard	Richard Blackman	P
Deputy Grand Knight / Lecturer	Walt Lutman	P	Outside Guard	PGK Charles Lowe	P
Chancellor	Freddy Jalot	P	Worthy 1 Yr. Trustee	PGK Timothy Morris	P
Treasurer	Mike Rennie	P	Worthy 2 Yr. Trustee	PGK Greg Washburn	P
Financial Secretary	PGK Jack Fowler	P	Worthy 3 Yr. Trustee	PGK Rob Donati	P
Advocate	Dr. Anthony Policastro	P	Warden	PGK Robert Gay	E

Members Present: Officers [12], Worthy Insurance Agent Paul Albanese, Brothers Reid Washburn and Skeeter Elliott for a total of [15].

Call to Order / Opening Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance: @ 0730 PM. The Grand Knight opened the meeting with a prayer [Our Father] and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading of the Minutes: The minutes from the December meeting were not read as they are on the council's website. GK asked if there were any corrections. With none being brought up a motion was made by Dr Anthony Policastro to suspend the reading of the minutes, it was seconded by PGK Tony Lowe. The motion was approved by all in attendance.

Chaplain's Message: Fr Paul was not present.

Grand Knight's Report:

- GK Chris informed the council that there were no "Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest" submissions from Mrs. Debbie Depta, Director of Religious Education classes.
- GK Chris read the thank you note from the Gina Lynch-White, daughter of PGK Joe Lynch.

Financial Report: Worthy Treasurer:

- Worthy Treasurer Mike Rennie was present and provided the council balances to the members present.

Membership Report: Worthy Membership Director: Worthy DGK Walter Lutman reported that council had nothing to report at this time. PGK Jack Fowler reminded all dues paying members that second notices will go out this week.

Program reports submitted this Fraternal Year: [18]: Community [7], Life [3], Faith [4], and Family [4]

- **Worthy Insurance:** The Worthy Insurance Agent Paul Albanese was present and provided a FBN presentation on the value of Life Insurance as a retirement asset.
- **Worthy DD:** DD John McCartney was not present but reported the following via email.

COLOSSIANS 2:6 – So, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in him.

- Polar Bear Plunge – 1/31-2/2. Sands Hotel White House will welcome all Knights for a hospitality gathering before, during and after the Plunge.

- State Information Meeting – 2/13 at Bishop Becker. 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting. All are welcome.
- Chaplain’s Appreciation Dinner – 2/24 at the Executive Banquet Center in Newark. 6:30pm. Must sign up prior to attending.
- State Information Meeting – 3/13 at Dover Council. 6:30pm Dinner, 7:30pm Meeting. All are welcome.
- Form 1295 Semi-Annual Audit is due by 2/15.
- Continue to Submit Form 10784 as you conduct programs to get credit you so deserve.
- Should you need to get more members to join and satisfy your Membership requirement, consider holding a Membership drive and feel free to reach out to Rick Johnson, Membership Director for assistance.
- **Family/ Knight of the Month:** PGK Greg was present and reported that he did not have a candidate for family of the month for the month of January. Anyone can submit a candidate for family of the month. Contact PGK Greg Washburn.
- **Vocation:** Fr Paul was not present no report.
- **Community:** PGK Rob Donati was present and provided no report.
- **Worthy 4th Degree representative:** Worthy Past Faithful Navigator Dr Anthony was present and provided the following 4th Degree update to the council.
 1. Next Meeting 1/20, St Jude’s, Lewes DE 6:30 PM Rosary, 7 PM Meeting.
 2. February Meeting 2/17, St Ann’s, Bethany Beach DE 6:30 PM Rosary, 7 PM Meeting..
 3. The next 4th Degree Exemplification will take place on February 22, 2025 at St Patrick's Cathedral in New York City. It will be the 125th anniversary of the founding of the Fourth Degree and take place in the same location as the first one. Cardinal Dolan will be saying the Mass. Any Third Degree members desiring to attend the Exemplification are welcome to attend and become Fourth Degree members.
- **Retention PGK Tim Morris:** PGK Tim was present and provided no report.
- **Faith:** Worthy Chancellor Freddy was present and reported that the council next Faith event will be the “Living Rosary” prayer service on the 27th of January 2025 at 7:00 PM in the Church. Brother Freddy will be there at 6:30 PM and will need some help setting up around 645 PM.
- **Widows Report:** PGK Lisak stated that the January monthly Widows Wellness cards went out. Brother Marshall Glickman provided snow removal support for Widow Barbara Casta. The council now has 14 widows and four POC. Dr Anthony mentioned that he will be going to lunch with the widows he supports in February. Anyone interested in becoming a Point of Contact (POC), contact PGK Lisak. The council’s goal is one POC for each widow or orphan.
- **Health Report:** Dr Anthony Policastro had nothing to report.
- **Report of the Trustees:** The Trustees reported that they completed the semiannual audit and submitted Form 1295 to Supreme. It is due by 2/15/2025

Unfinished Business:

- PGK Lisak reported that the 14 cases of Coats for Kids were distributed on December to the 21st via the Angel Tree program. The Coats remaining after that day were distributed via St Vincent DePaul during their food drive. The council thanked DGK Walt, PGKs Tim, Jack, Brother Pat Hart and their wives and

[Joan, Elaine, Karen, Pat and Rosemary] in sorting, organizing and distributing the coats on the 20th & 21st of December.

- PGK Lisak reported that all of the KCIC items have been sold. Council bought 30 signs and sold 34 Signs and all 60 magnets. Profits', not including donations, was \$ 380.00. Thanks to all the Knights that sold these items.
- PGK Fowler reported that the November 17th Breakfast in the parish hall went better than expected. He informed the council that 100 people were fed. After a brief discussion it was decided to do this quarterly. The next Breakfast is scheduled for February 23, 2025. Please put it on your calendar and come help.
- Last month it was reported that Bayard House in Wilmington DE has lost this year's federal funding. Bayard House is the only licensed residential maternity program in DE. It is a critical lifeline for homeless pregnant and newly parenting women. After a brief discussion this item was table until next business meeting next month. This would also qualify as a LIFE program. The council agreed to support this event and has sent them a check of \$300.
- Last month PGK Washburn made a motion to reimburse Worthy Brother Marshall Glickman for the parts he procured repairing Widow's Barbara Costa well pump issue. This saved Barbara Casta \$ 7K. Dr Anthony made a motion to fund this widow's project. It was 2nd by Brother Richard Blackman. It was approved by all in attendance.

New Business:

- Friday Lenten Fish Dinners were discussed. The council decided to do 5 dinners, same as last year. Dates are March the 14th, 21st, 28th, April 4th and 11th. Menu and cost would be the same with a few exceptions. Full meals remain at \$ 15. Grilled Cheese and Pizza will be available for \$2 each. The council via the parish council will be soliciting for help with all dinners.
- 1st Week Stations of the Cross [7 March] was discussed. It was decided that the council will run the 1st Station of the cross as in the past.
- Dr Anthony made a proposal to order 200 Little Black books for Lent. 100 in English and 100 in Spanish. They will be distributed after Masses. The proposal was second by PGK Lowe and approved by all in attendance.

Good of the Order:

- PGK Jack Fowler has been approached by Office Manager Lynn about changing meeting locations with the AA group as the room they use in the building is now too small. There was a brief discussion about this issue. Council will wait to see if they ask again.
- DGK Walter Lutman had no reflection for this meeting.
- PGK Jack Fowler reminded the council about the State Convention Add.
- The 13th of January 50/50 Raffle winner was GK Chris Simons. The 13th of January Pot of Gold drawing winner was David Tidwell. As Brother David was not present no winning were distributed.

Closing Prayer:

- Before proceeding to the closing prayer, those in attendance added members to the prayer list.
- GK Chris read the names of those currently on the Prayer list:
 - Chuck Burton Edward Grabowski
 - John & Jo Ann Battista District Master Tom Firestone
 - Louise Gay Sal Guinta
 - Jack Flood Theresa Henson
 - Mary Ritz Eileen Flynn

- Fr Greg Serwa
 - James Clark
 - Cheryl Alexander, wife of Brother Paul Alexander
 - Karen Vassallo, Step daughter of Brother Richard Blackman
 - Nancy Rennie, Wife of Brother Mike Rennie
 - Marie Fowler, Mother of PGK Jack Fowler,
 - Marie Donofrio, wife of Deacon Nick Donofrio.
 - Kevin Lisak (Twin brother of PGK Keith Lisak, on dialysis due to kidney failure).
 - Debra Kieszkowski [Cousin of PGK Keith Lisak, Fighting lung cancer] [RIP] Passed away 12/25
- GK lead the group in the closing prayer [MARY, QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS] as the council prayed for the sick and distressed and closed the meeting.
 - The meeting was closed at 8:44 PM.

As of this time, the next meeting will be the Living Rosary in the church on Monday, January 27, 2025 at 7:00 PM. . It will be followed by light refreshments in the parish hall