Preceding the Business Meeting, council members and honorary guests who are key knowledge holders and work behind the curtain to make Super Bingo a success partook in a celebratory BBQ. Tom Gravelin, Super Bingo Chair, recognized the contributions of Lois and Jeff Fontaine and Irene Russell with K of C Certificates and a token of appreciation. Tom also announced that the Super Bingo event raised $36,000 that will go to CTKT and that CTKT has invited Council 7525 members to the Camp on July 22, 2024, to present the final check.

Dave Giuliani, K of C Field Agent, described benefits and insurance available to K of C members. Brother Dave also explained the availability and use of a Personal Planning Workbook developed by the Knights of Columbus. He offered to procure copies of the Workbook for those interested.

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| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **1.  Call to Order**  Meeting was called to order by GK Mike Bullock at 6:30 PM.  **2. Opening Prayer**  Chaplain Fr. Tim Naples led us in The Lord's Prayer.  **3. Pledge of Allegiance**  The Pledge of Allegiance was led by GK Mike Bullock.  The meeting was then suspended for exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Post exemplification, attending council members welcomed the three newest members: Bill Bessette (of St. Jude Parish and sponsored by GK Mike Bullock), Deacon John Magnier and Roger Fay (of St. Catherine’s and sponsored by Jay Benson). The meeting was then reconvened.  **4. Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting**  A motion to approve the minutes from the June 13 Business Meeting was made by Dave Martin and seconded by Pete Gadue.  Minutes were previously transmitted to all members by email. No changes were made, and the minutes were approved.  **5. Chaplain’s Message**  The Chaplain asked us to continue our prayers in support of Fr. McGivney becoming a saint. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **6. Grand Knight's Report** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Worthy Warden Jay Benson, Round Table Coordinator for St. Catherine of Siena, presented two checks to Pastor Fr. Dwight Baker for unspecified parish purposes. The checks reflected the Round Table Budget for 2023-2024, and 2024-2025.  Worthy Financial Secretary candidate Ray Michaud, Parish Council Chair for St. John Vianney Parish, presented 3 checks totaling $1,300.00 to Fr. Tim Naples to be used for the Annual Parish BBQ tent rental, E & E Fund, and the Totus Tuus youth program.  (Earlier in the day GK Bullock presented two checks to Fr. Zuccaro, Pastor of Round Table Parishes St Jude and Our Lady of Mont Carmel for unspecified purposes for each parish)  Worthy Warden Jay and Alice Benson were recognized as the Family of the Month for June.  Newly elected Faithful Navigator Mike Audette was recognized as Knight of the Month for June 2024. He also received a Certificate for Knight of the Month for November 2023.  Worthy Recorder Ray Michaud was recognized by the State of Vermont Council for recruiting a new member in 2023. Ray and his wife Sandy (not present) were recognized as the State of Vermont Family of the Year. (They were with family during the April State Convention, so the honor of presenting their Recognition Plaque fell to the council)  See the Newsletter and last meeting minutes for additional details.  Next Holy Hour will be Friday, August 2, 2024, at 3 PM. Silver Rose will be here for our AUG 2 Holy Hour.  Next business meeting dinner is AUG 8 after dinner.  COR Formation is July 20 at 10 AM with Coffee and donuts.  Bingo is on July 25 at 6:30 PM. (Note this is the 4th Thursday for this month. Tom Gravelin pointed out the need to get word out through the churches and social media noting the deviation from the normal 3rd Thursday of the month) Tom agreed request the webmaster, Rick Gravelin post to our Website and Facebook page.  Discussion tabled till the August business meeting for Worthy Warden Jay Benson to share info on end-of-life planning. Note: you can download a Catholic Advance Directive from the diocesan website. It provides guidance as well on how to complete the form in a faith and doctrine-based manner and how to file it.  [Advance Directive](https://efbfeci.r.af.d.sendibt2.com/tr/cl/WOlDtWlYm76t12VmQWxF2LjCBWLDXY1afDl08NPjlStKqVZe0pb2W-hXT1iuhAs9J8AxgYWRf3K8uP5ITFmecJXwnVUHrqEEpu-i3QaQMlsw9OYxmqAI_qtXOpG9IwTNNyUGDaY8iuEfkeEumIqD_M5yjdRaiGvUTx5v4eXtdcIi4XQwVIIGivE2RsnsVTCa5uc3aTGXruDES7BQJtdFnMs3zrt7EvnnZf0sRP1FTcxqWpfEmxBIIfpRglR5r0CX_PvHfPs-TxJ_TdT9m23XJ8u4N3Vgweom39yCPzKKVHzMuI7omLV4gGdQRokZqxK7Y_qHzMV-Ikn5o3b-66vuWz-iPRzlhaGfqD2gXEutd-OSZB6Zwuky8_FA1mZjf3Czs0SHzHszQdYc6bmX0syJCuaGdimldGotGfsmlAd2GDV2s-pK3qjbc7sbWdrMJ7cGbpJwfHFIX094hbQvx95BOrX5k1NgK3gwM5urInMRSghH5gA-_GLqBu6y_curlkNyFnaDf3ZgpAaat6Xt)  Bishop-elect Msgr John McDermott is requesting donations to the Vermont Catholic Charities Emergency Aid Program, and an increase in donations to the Bishop’s Fund.  We sent out Past due Amnesty letters. So far, we have received $90 from this group. More importantly, we hope to see them back as active members.  The Trustees are still working on the next budget. Please let them know your ideas. Worthy Trustee Brad Chenette sent out a simplified version of the proposal for review.  All end-of-month/fiscal year forms have been submitted on time.  July 21st--set up and clean-up for the St Catherine of Siena parish BBQ (RSVP NLT July 12). Set up to start at 0930 at the Town Beach.  August 24th-- BBQ for St Jude Round Table Parish. Need worker bees. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **7. Financial Report**  **Financial Secretary Report.**  Morgan Stanley Acct.: $437,065.16  **Treasurer report.** (Council, Bingo and Assembly)  Council Acct.: $20,735.14 and will be closer to $19.700 once additional checks are cashed.  Camp TKT Acct.: around $2,000 pending check presentation to CTKT.  Assembly Acct.: $2,537.08  **8. Membership Report**—3 new members exemplified for current year and 4th new member to be exemplified at date TBD. The council is off to a good start in meeting the goal of 7 new members for the year.  **9. Other Reports**  Super Bingo—report provided preceding the meeting.  SJV Bingo Committee—Bingo is on 4th Thurs for this month and will return to the 3rd Thurs in August.  **Insurance Agent** (Dave Giuliani)—report provided preceding the business meeting. | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **10. Unfinished Business (Includes motions carried over from previous meetings)** | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Tabled till next month: The SJV walkway, sign and light repairs are complete. Our stone placement will be a bidding item that we should pay for. | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **11. New Business (new motions)**  The Diocese Magazine Vermont Catholic has asked Knights of Columbus Councils to purchase Ads in the November Commemorative Edition of the magazine in honor of Bishop McDermott. A one-page Ad is $900. We enjoy a credit of $125 for a free eighth-page Ad for a balance of $775. Split between the Council and Assembly we are Warning $387.50.  A motion was made by Mike Audette and seconded by Pete Gadue to purchase a one-page Ad with the Assembly and split the cost.  Discussion ensued covering the pros and cons. Conversation temporarily distracted by the Assembly need to establish their own budget.  The original motion was brought to a vote and passed. The Council will pay $387.50 for half of a one-page Ad, or some smaller Ad if the Assembly does not vote to pay the other half. The deadline to place the Ad is AUG 24, 2024. Worthy Treasurer-elect Steve Shover suggested the Ad include congratulations to the bishop and support for his Episcopate. | | | |  | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **12. Lecturer's Reflection** | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Worthy Lecturer Bernie Prendergast spoke to the life and virtues of St Camillus De Lellis (Feast Day July 18) and sang the song *One Little Candle.* | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **13. District Deputy Comments (Tom Gravelin)**  Worthy DD3 suggested a district installation of officers in September since the State Installation of Officers will be August 25. GK suggested a Fall foliage cruise or train ride venue. | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **14. Grand Knight's Summary** | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | BLUF: (Bottom Line Up Front!) We need your help to make our events in the service of Christ successful. Will you answer the call?  If you need something or know of someone needing a visit, call one of us or call the office.  Make time to visit our Knights who are ill or shut in.  If you are doing good work, let our Program manager, Ted Barrett know about it for our Star Council Award.  (Take a photo, please)  We will have a new quota of new members to qualify for the Star Council next year. Let’s begin on a positive note and bring in folks in July. Do you have the Invitation Cards in your wallet? Do you encourage Catholic Men to Join our council? Ask someone you know to join the council next month. Give them a card to join online or do it on your phone, computer or tablet. We will schedule an Exemplification as needed. This is a chance to start our year off well. We are exploring recruiting drives at our Churches, too.  Please consider saying the Holy Rosary Daily. | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **15. Closing Prayer** | |   Jay Benson announced that based on free will donations $120 and a signed card were offered by the council members to Elizabeth Bullock who has Crohn’s Disease and has been living with an Ileostomy for a while. She is scheduled for re-connection surgery on July 19th  The following intentionswere made for the closing prayer: | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | *Mike Audette,*Toni Hill, Bishop-elect Msgr John McDermott, Timothy O'Neill, Fr. Jeremias Tigga, Ben Fine (son-in-law of Ray Michaud), PGK Ray Miller, Jean Groleau, General success of Catholic Radio, Mason and Elizabeth Bullock, Richard Labrecque, Leonard and Mary Robear, Chris Johnson, Arlene Michaud (Ray’s sister), Gail Couillard, Marilyn LaCount, Friend of David Gravelin, Anthony Naples, Andre Ricard (Assembly 1157 Newport), Zak Bigelow and family, Pope Francis, Mrs. Jackie Crosby, An anonymous member in distress, Niko Limnos and Family, Mother-in-law of Ronnie Sweet, Bill Curtin, William Cannon and Family, Michael Gravelin, Mark and Paulette Noyes and Family (esp. Levi age 7), John O’ Brien, Cheryl Allain, Claire Myers, Kelly Jackson (daughter of late PGK Jeff Jackson), PGK Bernie Hemond, Dick and Sandy Stevens, Beth-Ann Prendergast, Mariette Nadeau, Jeff and Kay Jarvis, Tom Gravelin, Chuck Schifilliti, Gerry Seney, Robert Gravelin, Keith Marston, Sue Cottrell, (23 year old woman fighting cancer), Kevin and Chad Limoge, Vickie Linton, George Stevens (Assembly 2106), James Read, Gene Tofferi, Mike and Pam Audette, Jeffrey Claude Danis and family, Stuart Fath, Wally Rooney, Ed and Theresa Curtiss, one anonymous brother knight, the people of Ukraine and an end to the war, the Families of all of our faithfully departed brothers, friends and relatives, all clergy and religious, victims and families of COVID-19, First Responders, peace in the Middle East, that pregnant women will choose life, and for new members to join the Order.  For all the faithfully departed, especially *Andy Corologos*, Beatrice Ruth Gervia (mother of Mike Gervia), and John Cross (a friend of Ted Barrett). May they rest in peace and may all the families of the deceased be comforted by the promise of everlasting life in the Kingdom of Heaven. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Prayer for Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney**  God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (our sick or in distress). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.  **16. Adjournment** | | |   Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM |

Attendance: A total of 19 members, including 2 Zoom participants, and 2 of our 3 newest members attended the meeting. All officers were present except for Outside Guard and Treasurer, both were excused.