



Greater Dayton Chapter  
Knights of Columbus  
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February 19, 2025

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Greater Dayton Chapter Meeting, **Wednesday, February 19, 2025**

1. At 7:00 pm the Rosary was said in honor of our brothers that are ill and in need of prayers.
2. Call to Order: At 7:31 pm on February 19, 2025, Chapter President Michael Freil called to order the monthly regular business meeting of the Greater Dayton Chapter of the Knights of Columbus. All present invoked the Divine blessing by repeating aloud the Lord's Prayer and then pledged allegiance to the Flag.
3. Roll Call (p - present; e - excused; a - absent).
  - a. Greater Dayton Chapter Officers:

President:	Michael Freil (p)
Chaplain:	Fr. Robert Hale (e)
Vice President:	Vic Lauterbach (p)
Treasurer:	Scott Malott (p)
Secretary:	John Hoffman (e)
Warden:	Steve Berns (p)
  - b. District Deputies:

DD 5:	Jeremy Begines (e)
DD 6:	Ted Schorr (p)
DD 7:	Danny Sprouse (p)
DD 8:	John Brown (p)
DD 9:	Barry Takacs (p)
DD 10:	Charles Gneuchs (p)
  - c. Current State Officers:

State Deputy	Jeff Killiany (e)
State Secretary	Mike Felerski (p)
State Treasurer	Jim Maslach (e)
State Advocate	Chris Sarka (e)
State Warden	Tony Offenberger (e)
Immediate Past State Deputy	Mark Siracusa (e)
State Chaplain	Father James Lang (e)

- d. Past Chapter Presidents: No roll call
- e. Past Grand Knights in attendance residing within the Chapter area: No roll Call
- f. Faithful Navigators:
  - Reverend B F Kuhlman Assembly 815 SK Wesley Rice (a)
  - Archbishop Karl J Alter Assembly 1776 Inactive
  - Joseph Cardinal Bernadine Assembly 3056 SK William Elliott (a)
  - Father Francis B Pilliod Assembly 3273 SK Samuel Robinson (a)
  - Monsignor Buckley Assembly 822 SK Steven Cornett (a)
  - Monsignor McNary Assembly 2299 SK John Lyden (p)
  - Bishop Ford Assembly 2892 SK Jonathan Bishop (a)
  - Father Nicholas Schneider Assembly 3188 SK M. Scott Flischel (a)
- g. State Council Appointees
  - i. State Growth Director: Andrew Nuckols (e)
  - ii. State Secretary Mike Felerski (p)
  - iii. State Growth Retention/ Michael Friel (p)
  - iv. New Council Development
  - v. State Public Relations Mike Thomas (e)
  - vi. State Family Director Tim Mangan (p)
  - vii. Arch Growth Director North Cincinnati: Vic Lauterbach (p)
  - viii. Archdiocesan District Deputy Coordinator: John Hoffman (e)
  - ix. Hispanic Council Development Coordinator: Robert Hernandez (p)
- h. Past State Deputies: No roll call
- i. Greater Dayton Chapter Council Delegates:

Council	Name	District	Present
3724	Fairborn (Fairborn)	5	<b>1</b>
1801	Fr Alphonse Schumacher (Xenia)	5	<b>1</b>
3730	Fr William O Conner (Dayton)	5	<b>0</b>
6144	A J Schulte (New Carlisle)	5	<b>0</b>
7981	Rev J Daniel Schuh (Beavercreek)	5	<b>1</b>
16425	Wright State Univ (Fairborn)	5	<b>N/A</b>
18217	Sagrado Coraz'on (New Carlisle)	5	<b>N/A</b>
3344	Archbishop McNicholas (Piqua)	6	<b>0</b>
3873	Fr W Howard Bishop (Troy)	6	<b>0</b>
4424	Our Lady of Peace (Huber Heights)	6	<b>1</b>
5129	St John (Tipp City)	6	<b>0</b>
12912	Fr Aufderheide (Vandalia)	6	<b>3</b>
15424	Monsignor Robert J Von Kaenel (Covington)	6	<b>0</b>

Council	Name	District	Present
4022	Maria Joseph (Kettering)	8	<b>2</b>
10215	St Leonard (Centerville)	8	<b>1</b>
14504	Fr Francis X Hoffer O.F.M. (Centerville)	8	<b>3</b>
14891	Our Lady of the Light (Kettering)	8	<b>3</b>
14995	Monsignor Lawrence K Breslin (Kettering)	8	<b>1</b>
3369	Fr O'Donaghue (Wilmington OH)	9	<b>0</b>
4587	St Joseph (Miamisburg)	9	<b>1</b>
14400	Fr Charles E Mentrup (Springboro)	9	<b>0</b>
14882	Fr Martin T Gilligan (Dayton)	9	<b>2</b>
17092	Fr Joseph Lutmer (Waynesville)	9	<b>0</b>
1610	St John Paul II (Middletown)	10	<b>1</b>
14563	Our Lady of Sorrows (Monroe)	10	<b>1</b>
15330	Holy Name of Jesus (Trenton)	10	<b>0</b>

500	Dayton (Dayton)	7	<b>1</b>
3698	Eaton (Eaton)	7	<b>0</b>
3754	Marian (Dayton)	7	<b>1</b>
13874	St Paul (Englewood)	7	<b>N/A</b>
15645	Holy Angels (Dayton)	7	<b>0</b>
16571	La Morenita De Guadalupe (Dayton)	7	<b>0</b>

- j. Hennepin Province
- i. Vice Supreme Master: SK Ed Ponder (p)
  - ii. Ohio Provincial Secretary: SK Robert Burns (p)
  - iii. Provincial Marshall: SK Odell Graves (e)
  - iv. Ohio District #2 Master: SK David Weeks (p)
  - v. District 2 Faithful Friar: Rev. Adam L. Hertzfeld (e)
  - vi. Ohio District #2 Chief of Staff: SK Michael Peter (p)
  - vii. District Marshall: SK Glenn Beighley (p)
- k. Knights of Columbus Insurance Program
- i. General Agent, the Greater Ohio Agency: Jason C. Staas (e)
  - ii. Assistant General Agent: Jeff Cummons (e)
  - iii. Assistant General Agent: Chad Muhlenkamp (e)
  - iv. Field Agent, the Greater Ohio Agency: Robert Hernandez (p)
  - v. Field Agent, the Greater Ohio Agency: Pete Holm (e)
  - vi. Field Agent, the Greater Ohio Agency: James Warner (e)
4. Guests: Greg Singular (E-Membership Director) to teach us how E-membership is supposed to work in order to clear the E-Member roll.
5. Approval of the Minutes from the previous meeting (November). A motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting minutes from the August meeting as distributed and published. The motion was approved by a voice vote with any corrections noted and made.
6. Chapter Officers' Reports
- a. Chaplain's Report:
    - i. President spoke to him, and he wants to rejoin us.
  - b. President's Report: All DD's and GK's are asked to contact those councils not present to attend this meeting.
    - i. All Chapter Rosaries will be dedicated to those of our Sir Knights and Knights that are ill or battling diseases.
    - ii. At 7:30pm the Doors will close, and the Chapter Meeting will begin.
    - iii. Council 500 has agreed to Open the Beverage Bar AFTER the meeting has concluded. Beverages can be purchased by Chapter members for the nominal fee.
    - iv. IF your Council wishes to bring in Food, Dessert, or Snacks to share After the Meeting, you are welcomed to do so.
    - v. The Purpose of the Chapter Meeting is to Exchange Information, Share Ideas, and to Help Councils that are Struggling, as well as supporting Our Priests and

Seminarians. DDs are reminded to have your Councils represented at the Chapter Meeting.

- c. Vice President's Report: No Report
  - d. Treasurer's Report: As of 01/31/2025  
For information regarding Chapter finances, contact: [treasurer@daytonkofc.org](mailto:treasurer@daytonkofc.org)
    - i. Checkbook Balance: \$10,011.51
    - ii. Reserved Funds:
      - 1. Fr Peterka Fund: \$616.00
      - 2. VAVS Support: \$1,342.86
    - iii. Available Funds: \$8,052.65
    - iv. Checks Written:
      - 1. (Check 1347) Bob Burns (VAVS) for Hospital Tour
      - 2. (Check 1348) KofC Cincinnati (Perterka)
    - v. We have 13 Councils with their dues paid for the new year. Please get your dues in as soon as possible. Additionally, it is encouraged that Councils donate to the VAVS and Fr Peterka funds. Father Perterka fund is a very important way to allow the entire ARCH to support out clergy.
- For information regarding Minutes, contact: [secretary@daytonkofc.org](mailto:secretary@daytonkofc.org)
- vi. Please report your Councils' delegates (which you are authorized 3) to [webmaster@daytonkofc.org](mailto:webmaster@daytonkofc.org)
  - vii. It is requested that all DD's provide a copy of Form 185 to the Treasurer for consolidation with the Secretary, so we have a way to contact all Councils
- e. Warden's Report: 27 Members present and verified. \$80 in the Pot and \$43 SOS

7. Greater Dayton Chapter Program Reports

- a. Chapter Programs:
  - i. Paul Gruhler: No Report
  - ii. Chapter Web Site [www.daytonkofc.org](http://www.daytonkofc.org):
    - 1. Minutes from previous month were published.
    - 2. ARCH Newsletter was published.
    - 3. Please report your Councils' delegates (which you are authorized 3) to [webmaster@daytonkofc.org](mailto:webmaster@daytonkofc.org)
- b. Church: No Report
- c. Community:
  - i. CDCE (VAVS) Report (Bob Burns):
    - 1. Upcoming Events:
      - a. Gift Giving Tour occurred on December 18, 2024.
      - b. VAVS funds Expended:
        - i. \$88.10 for December Hospital Tour
- d. Culture of Life: No Report
- e. Family: No Report
- f. Youth: No Report
- g. Faith: No Report

8. State Council Appointees' Remarks:

- a. State Growth Director: No Report
- b. State Growth Retention Director: No Report

- c. Diocesan Growth Director, North Cincinnati:
    - i. Trend seen is that the Councils who recruit early get new members off the E-Member rolls quicker.
    - ii. Numbers are up.
    - iii. Age of average new member is dropping.
  - d. Diocesan District Deputy Coordinator: No Report
  - e. Hispanic Council Development Coordinator:
    - i. In process of opening a Council in Ashtabula. Has completed 2 invitationals.
    - ii. The Priest is very excited about the prospect.
  - f. State Family Program Director:
    - i. Wrapping up the reporting period. Please ensure that your “Of the Years” are in by April 1<sup>st</sup>.
    - ii. Complete all requirements by April 15<sup>th</sup> but shoot for April 1<sup>st</sup>
  - g. State Public Relations Director: No Report
9. Fourth Degree Hennepin Province
- a. Vice Supreme Master:
    - i. This weekend is the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. A special Mass followed by the NEW Exemplification. Over 700 new Sir Knights.
    - ii. The Master’s will receive the new exemplification thereafter.
  - b. Provincial Chief of Staff: No Report
  - c. Provincial Marshall: No Report
  - d. Ohio District #2 Master:
    - i. There will be a new exemplification in Indianapolis March 22, 2025.
    - ii. Aug 23 in Wapakoneta for the District 2 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exemplification
    - iii. New Assembly Feeder Council list published.
    - iv. Master will be having a competition for the Navigator to recruit the most new Sir Knights for the 125<sup>th</sup> Exemplification. Will receive Sword pack.
  - e. Ohio District 2 Chief of Staff: No Report
10. District Deputy Reports
- a. District Deputy # 5: No Report
  - b. District Deputy # 6:
    - i. Safe Environment web site is down for a month.
    - ii. St Gabriel Family, Catch the Building Spirit /Faith Build (Habitat for the Humanity) will be doing a Panel Build.
      - 1. Council requested to donate \$2,000 and 200 volunteer hours
  - c. District Deputy # 7:
    - i. One of the 700 members attending the New York Exemplification
    - ii. Will need to request money/donations to the Oxford Council
  - d. District Deputy # 8: No Report
  - e. District Deputy # 9: No Report
  - f. District Deputy #10:
    - i. One council was rejuvenated by State Council and are on track for STAR, only need a FBN.
11. Unfinished Business: No Report

12. Old Business: No Report

13. New Business:

- a. None

14. Council Announcements:

*Please note: Comments should be limited to Council events that are coming up in which Chapter Members can support and attend. It is not necessary to speak about a Hot Dog/Hamburger Dinner and how many hot dogs/ hamburgers were sold UNLESS it was a great event in which a fantastic amount of money was raised for various charities. This then would be a learning experience for other Councils to try if they wanted a successful fund-raising event. Please keep Council News Concise & Brief.*

- a. (SJPII KOFC) Will be holding a Fish Fry 2/28/25 6:00pm at St Henry PAC (See Flyer)

15. Assembly Announcements: No Report

16. General Agent Remarks:

- a. Chapter attendees are the centers of influence for your Council so you must be able to just ask men to join.
- b. If you have members on your E-Member rolls that are Insurance, get ahold of your agent.
- c. Involve your agent in your Council recruitment events. Agents are required to recruit just like Councils.
- d. Send your E-Member list to Agent to help you. A new voice may just seal the deal.
- e. Get your Agent to do a quick Fraternal Benefit Night.

17. State Secretary Remarks:

- a. We are sitting at 43% North ARCH E-Members in the rolls that need transferred in to Council.
- b. State Convention date has been moved to May 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - i. THE DRAWING DATE WILL REMAIN MAY 17, 2025, AND NOT MAY 24<sup>TH</sup>.
- c. The Cash Bonanza Road Show packets had a flyer regarding Recruitment at Fish Fry's.
- d. The new Archbishop is a Knight.
- e. Awarded the Master (FDD 6) Star District.
- f. Awarded DD 5 (Jeremy Begines) Star District.

18. Good of the Order: Chapter President Michael Freil asked for a report of brothers of the Order, who are sick or in distress. He then repeated aloud the prayer requests from this meeting's attendees.

19. Concluding Remarks:

- a. President welcomed Greg Singular to speak to the Chapter regarding his candidacy for State Warden.
- b. 50/50 was won by SK Dave Weeks (\$40)

20. Adjournment:

Following a closing prayer Chapter President Michael Freil adjourned at 9:00 pm the September regular business meeting of the Greater Dayton Chapter of the Knights of Columbus.

Respectively submitted,

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SK Scott Malott, PGK

Treasurer, Greater Dayton Chapter of the Knights of Columbus



Join us for St. John  
Paul II Parish Family



# FISH FRY

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

Friday

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6:00 PM

FEBRUARY

St. Henry PAC

Open to all over 21+ | Live music- The Five | Hecht Family Fish  
| Games of Chance | Auction Items | Beer, Wine, Soda | & more!

Carryout from 4:30-6:00 PM

Proceeds support SVDP, Bishop Leibold, &  
The Marie Manning Scholarship

Carryout Tickets



Dine In Tickets





Good of the Order

2/19/25

Hank Borchers

Paul Quolke

late Tom Kwest

Paul Ewing

Pope Francis

Archbishop Schurr

ED NACCARTY

~~DR REYNOLDS~~

MECHAN JONES (Repose of the Soul)

NITA THOMAS

✓ JEREMY BEGINES