

Knights of Columbus Council #14457
Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2011

SJN Knights Council #14457 met on Tuesday, October 11, 2011 in the St. John Neumann Upper Social Hall. Grand Knight Don Postiy called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Seminarian, Delphinus Mutajuka (Delly) opened the meeting with a prayer.

Don Postiy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes from the September meeting were approved. The minutes will be posted on K of C website.

Fr. David introduced Delphinus Mutajuka

- Delphinus (Delly) is a seminarian at the Josephinum. He is one of six seminarians who have been assigned to St. John Neumann Parish to attend some of our council meetings and other ministries so they can get a feel for life in a parish. Delly will be conducting Evenings of Reflection as well as attending various meetings throughout the parish.
- Delly introduced himself and gave us a brief history of his path to the priestly life.

Grand Knight's Report

- Don introduced a new member of our Council, Keith Rubadue. Keith is new to the area and transferred to our Council.
- Thank you to the brother Knights who helped making the subs on Saturday, October 1. We sold out before the 11:00 Mass.
- The Pancake Breakfast held on Sunday, October 9 was a great success.
- A joint effort between our council and St John Neumann's SVdP Society will be held to sponsor a food drive for the Big Walnut Friends Who Share. Bring as much canned food as possible to the November meeting. Larry Tornes, president of BWFWS & a fellow Knight, will deliver the canned goods to a local food bank.
- Don requested a donation of \$100 to purchase canned goods. The motion was unanimously approved.
- We need a volunteer to maintain our council's website. Mark Schwartz volunteered.
- Our fourth annual New Years Eve Dinner/Dance will be held at Royal American Golf Course. We will sign the contract by October 19, then proceed with the logistics, and begin selling tickets in November.
- Don nominated George Williams to lead our council's first degree team. George accepted.

Save the Date

- Sub Sale dates: 10/29-30/2011, 11/19-20/2011, 12/3-4/2011, 1/21-22/2012, 2/4-5/2012 & 3/31-4/01/2012.
- Our next Pancake Breakfast will be on Sunday, 11/6/2011.

Treasurer's Report

- We have \$3,895.36 in our checking account.

New Business

- The St. John Neumann's Men Retreat will be held on October 22 & 23 at the Heartland Retreat Center. One of the speakers is Fr. Josh Wagner. There are two options this year. Men can attend Saturday only for \$40 or Saturday & Sunday for \$75. So far we have 10 men signed up for the retreat. Fr. Dave asked that all of the Knights prayerfully consider attending the retreat.
- Mike Okragleski asked for volunteers for the final Adopt a Highway Clean Up. It will be done immediately after we make the subs on Saturday, October 29. This will be the last time we clean the section of highway on Interstate 71. Next year we will be moving to Route 3. We will clean from Route 37 south to Arrowhead Golf Course (Galena Road). This should be an easier area to maintain. Anyone volunteering to clean on October 29 will get a free sub.
- John Goodman said that the handicap ramp maintained by our council was recently used by a parishioner who was so thankful for the help they donated \$250 to the Health Ministry.
- John also told everyone that the next blood drive at St. John Neumann will be held on Saturday, November 19 from 7:00 AM until noon.
- Jim Stefaniak talked about helping St. Gabriel Radio by donating to their operating fund. They are purchasing 820 AM from The Ohio State University. Our council is a sustaining member of St. Gabriel Radio. There are presently 600 sustaining members. In order to cover the operating costs (\$500,000 a year) the sustaining members will need to double.

Fourth Degree, Pat Elgin

- The Fall Fourth Degree Exempt will be held on 11/5 at St. Joseph Church in Dover, Ohio.
- Church of the Ascension in Johnstown collects items for Veterans and sends them to the VA Hospital in Columbus. Pat was wondering if we would want to do something similar. He handed out a list of the items they collect.
- The next meeting of St. John Neumann – Ascension 4th Degree Assembly will be held on 10/24 at 7:00 PM. It will be at Church of Ascension. Spouses are invited and can attend the meeting. A potluck dinner will be served before the meeting.
- There will be no 4th degree meeting in December.

District Deputy, Tom Gault

- We should be electing a Family of the Month at each meeting.
- The Care Net Golf Outing was held on 9/17 at Apple Valley Golf Course. Tom thanked our Council for sponsoring a hole. The outing raised \$8,720 for Care Net.
- The winning K of C Council was St. John Neumann Council # 14457!!!
- October is Respect Life Month.

Good of the Order

- Art Morit
- Tony Gault
- Unemployed
- Military, Police, & Firefighters
- Gene Helmick
- Pat Swisher
- Nick Giovanni
- Fr. Richart
- Mark Hedge
- Delphine Guanciaie
- Rick Stainbrook's partner
- Skip Lassak's mother-in-law

Fr. David led the Council in a prayer for the Good of the Order.

The meeting was adjourned by Grand Knight, Don Postiy at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Scott, Recorder