Fort Worth Chapter Meeting – 01/25/2025

Meeting Start – 7:12PM

Guest Speaker – n/a

Opening Prayer – Lord’s Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Thank you to the kitchen staff for the dinner.

Roll Call of Officers

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| Diocesan Deputy: **Craig Modrzynski** | P | Treasurer: **Trey Kinnaird** | EX |
| Chapter President: **Robert Daleo** | P | Trustees: | P |
| Asst Diocesan Deputy: **Richard Rumenapp** | P | Secretary: **Josh Gomez** | P |
| Chapter Vice President: **Nicholas Nix** | P | Warden: **Mark Von Rosenberg Jr** | P |

**President’s Report:**

* On 01/18 – the food pantry in Prosper (place of employment) had a big fire – lost ½ the building and most of the inventory. There is a gap in food distribution in the area. If anyone would like to help financially or by donation, please reach out to Chapter President Robert.
* Looking for a Chapter location

**Vice President’s Report:**

* No Report

**Approval of Previous Minutes**

* Pending

**Treasurer’s Report**

* No report

**Trustees Report –** No Report

**Ladies Committee –** No Report

**Communications –** No Report

**Past State Deputy** – Leo Hanus

* Past State Deputy from Austin is in

**Unfinished business**:

* No report

**New business**:

* Motion for New $500 Annuity for Father – motion passes
* Motion for $500 Texas College Council – motion passes
* Motion: Seminarian in the Catholic University of America – looking for help to add ventilation for the new stove – ask for $500 a motion to contribute to the ventilation – motion passes
  + If anyone would like to donate – reach out to Chapter President or Lenard Gruca

**Field Agent Report: Chris Stark, General Agent**

* FBNs – Chris and the Agents can have a live session during your council meeting – reach out to your agent for details
* Convention hospitality room: Chris asks for volunteers help with set up, food and cleaning
* Needs help with the planning of a

**State Reports**:

* State Advocate (David Pels):
  + No report
* Membership Director (Bill Tillotson):
  + Supreme Knight did a study and described the duties of a Knight and then asked those men if they agree and would like to join; 40% of those in the study said “yes”
  + Encourage brother Knights to ask 1 man after every mass to join – fill out the online and go through the process ASAP
    - Ask during the basketball free throw contests and the upcoming fish frys / men see us building up the church and would like to be part of that
  + Use your member ID as the referral code and if your agent is present use their PROMO code so both the Brother Knight and the Agent can get credit
* EFF Director (Greg Brown)
  + Excused
* Assistant to State Deputy (Bruce Mallory):
  + No report
* Star Council Team (Dr. Dean Hansen)
  + 7 months into the year and we need a few submissions
    - 1728 – due 01/28 – fill it out and make sure you receive an email from Supreme
    - 10874 for Special Olympics by 01/31/25 – needed for Lonestar Award for Excellence
    - Audit time – audits are due by 02/17/25
  + Make sure everyone is aware of the death benefit – council needs to be active and NOT dormant
  + Are affiliate programs knight able to receive death benefit? Answer – NO
  + If your council needs to transfer to Affiliate program, its still active and usable
  + To be eligible for the Lone Star Award with Excellence Distinction – review your deadlines
  + Online TX21B form – tracks all these programs
* FS Trainer (Victor Garza)
  + No Report
* State Cornhole Chairman (James Halfmann)
  + No report
* State Charities Fundraising Chairman (Josh Gomez)
  + Fort Worth Diocese made Quick Start 104.03%! – Congratulations!
  + Councils – 54 Quick Start & 15 State Deputy List councils (over 120%)
  + Districts – 13 Quick Start & 3 State Deputy List districts
  + Please continue to work on those councils who have not met their Charity Goal
  + Please focus and work on to make the 120% State Deputy List

**FORT WORTH DIOCESAN DEPUTY**: Craig Modrzynski

* Need help with the hospitality room – food, beverages, etc.
* Use the QR Code for membership and recruiting
* E-Membership – easiest way to bring a brother in
* Thank you all for STAR Councils and STAR Districts
* Education Grants – get applications in
* Basketball Free Throw – 02/22/25 Diocesan Free Throw – 9AM registration / 10AM start
* Posters and essays – turned over to the state already
* TKOFC website is new – go visit and get familiar with the website

**Programs:**

**Ceremonial Chairman Dominick Gervasi**

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**Council growth – Richard Rumenapp**

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**Charities** – working on new gala – should be a money making event – goal is $100,000

**Youth programs** – xxx

**Emergency response Sam Simon**

* no report

**Wheelchairs Mark Von Rosenberg**

* If anyone is interested in a Wheelchair drive – please contact Mark Von Rosenberg
  + $150 buys one wheelchair – each family to donates can receive an appreciation certificate
  + If a parish can donate $5,000 that parish can get a portrait of Virgin de Guadalupe

**Silver Rose – Richard Rumenapp**

* No date yet

**Icon – Mike Schreiber**

* New St Joseph Icon available for rotation

**RSVP/Seminarians – Pat Henz**

* Please continue supporting your seminarian
* Fill out your RSVP report
* No news on the dinner yet – we may have an update next month

**Social Media Robert Daleo**

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**Pro-Life – Bob Walters**

* 40 days for life / 365 – page 4 in the handout if interested in donating

**Special Olympics – Al Chase**

* 8 opportunities in the next few months – email will have details

**Diocese COR Director – Darrell Hartley**

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**Programs:**

Affiliate programs – every council should be using the Affiliate program to drop members after notices are sent out

Council Reports: (councils please submit reports to the chapter)

* District 16
* District 17
* District 18
* District 19
* District 20
* District 21
* District 22
* District 23
* District 24
* District 25
* District 26
* District 27
* District 28
* District 29
* District 30
* District 31
* District 32

Assembly Reports (4th Degree) Masters report:

* District Master Kevin will attend a meeting soon
* New “open” 4th degree exemplification in NY, NY on 02/22/25
* Only 1% of 4th degree Knights leave the order – important to recruit
* Medal of Honor 04/12/25
* In process of starting a new assembly in Denton / 8-10 members and 30 transfers

Wrap Up

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Prayer List: Albert Chase Sr, Dr. Dean, Debra Haues

NEXT MEETING:

Ended meeting: 8:56PM