

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 9039

MEETING DATE: September 12, 2011

CALLED TO ORDER AT: 7:00 PM

BY: GK Ed Manz

PRAYER WAS OFFERED BY: The meeting was opened with “*The Lord’s Prayer*” led by Chaplain Fr. Bruno Swiatocha.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY: Warden SK Paul Murnane.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR MEMBERS OF U.S. ARMED FORCES AND THOSE LOST ON 9/11/01 LED BY: GK Ed Manz

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: All Council Officers were present or excused.

OPENING ODE LED BY: Skipped.

GUEST SPEAKER(S): Worthy Lecturer **Bob Houser** introduced Mr. **Jason L. Benton**, Funeral Director, of Brunswick Funeral Service of Shallotte, NC. Mr. **Benton** has been Funeral Director at Brunswick Funeral Service for 15 years. He gave a presentation on the following topics:

- Pre-arranged funeral arrangements (handouts: (1) “In The Public Interest – Funeral Pre-Planning” and (2) “Pre-Planning Bill of Rights”);
- Benefits for veterans (handout: “VA Burial Benefits”);
- Information on cremations (handout: “Cremation Options”);
- Ship-outs of remains to other states;
- Anatomical gifts;
- Questions & answers.

Mr. **Benton** said he would be glad to answer any questions anyone may have. He can be contacted as follows:

- Mr. **Jason L. Benton**
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5229 Ocean Highway West
P. O. Box 411
Shallotte, NC 28459
(910) 754-6363
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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: GK Ed Manz stated that, if there are no corrections, the minutes of the August 8, 2011 business meeting are approved as written and posted.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP (includes Form 100s): None.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING WERE (includes Form 100s): None.

GRAND KNIGHT REPORT (GK Ed Manz, 910.579.1233, lionel@atmc.net):

- 9/11 Memorial Mass: GK Ed Manz reported that the 9/11 Memorial Mass on Sunday was very impressive with the NY Fire Fighters Association and our Fourth Degree Honor Corps participating in the service. GK Ed Manz thanked all our brother knights who attended and for the excellent turnout.
- Loaves and Fishes: GK Ed Manz thanked again Brother **Andy Biro** for negotiating the generous gift of surplus food and Lowes Food for their substantial contribution of surplus meat for the St. Brendan’s “*Loaves and Fishes*” food pantry program. He reported that as of September 1st we have picked up and delivered 3,203 lbs. of meat as well as 362 lbs. of miscellaneous items. GK Ed Manz sent “*Thank You!*” letters to both the store manager and the meat manager at Lowes Food Store at Ocean Isle Beach.

- First Monthly Fundraising Dinner: GK **Ed Manz** reported that the first fundraising dinner is planned for Saturday, September 17, 2011 after the 5:00 PM Mass. Master Chef SK **Jerry Siegmund** is planning his fabulous “*chicken cacciatore and linguini*” dinner again this year which got raves last year. He needs more help. Please contact SK **Jerry Siegmund** asap if you can help in the kitchen or with set-up, serving, or clean-up. So far ticket sales have not been very good, only 54 tickets sold so far. If you haven’t purchased tickets yet, please do asap so we can plan the amount of chicken to buy. SK **Jerry Siegmund** reported that he is planning for 125 people. GK **Ed Manz** stated that we are relying on this program of monthly dinners as a main source of our income this year.
- Next Monthly Fundraising Dinner: GK **Ed Manz** reported that the next monthly dinner is scheduled for Saturday, October 8th. Master Chef SK **Jerry Siegmund** is planning an Oktoberfest menu with sauerbraten und beer. Tickets will be on sale at our September dinner.
- Mass for Deceased Members: GK **Ed Manz** reported that we traditionally remember and honor our deceased brothers each year as close to Columbus Day as possible. The Mass for our deceased members this year is scheduled for Sunday, October 2nd, at 9:30 AM in St. Brendan’s Church. This is the Spanish Mass which was the only Mass available. We will meet in the gathering space and will enter the church as a group. All brothers are encouraged to attend. GK **Ed Manz** will send out a reminder later this month.
- Annual Crop Walk: GK **Ed Manz** reported that the “*Annual Crop Walk*” is scheduled for Sunday, November 6th. We need at least six volunteers to guard the crosswalks to help pedestrians cross the street safely. GK **Ed Manz** will task brother **Jerry Scharoun**, our Community Director, to make sure we have enough volunteers. In addition, our council will present a check for \$200 to the Crop Walk Committee who asked for a donation to help offset the cost of the event.
- Fr. Bruno’s House Groundskeeping: GK **Ed Manz** reported that **Fr. Bruno** has asked for some help to maintain the landscaping around his house in Brierwood. GK **Ed Manz** has asked for volunteers to join him and two others who are going over on Tuesday, September 13th at 10:00 AM. He requested at least two more volunteers to help them. Please see him at the end of the meeting if you can help.
- First Degree Exemplification: GK **Ed Manz** reported that we are hosting a “*First Degree Exemplification*” on Monday, October 10th at 6:00 PM before our 7:00 PM Business Meeting. All brothers are encouraged to come early at 5:45 PM so they can attend the impressive “*First Degree Exemplification*.” We have a couple of possible candidates. However, we need a few more. All brothers are requested to take an active part in recruiting new members.
- Third Degree Committee: GK **Ed Manz** reported that the “*Third Degree Committee*” has met and that a progress report is forthcoming regarding their preparations for the first “*Third Degree Exemplification*” to be held by our council on November 12th.
- Ramp Construction: GK **Ed Manz** reported that SK **Jack Pegoni** will provide an update on the latest plans to build a wheel chair ramp for a needy senior.
- Monday Night Football Chance Books: GK **Ed Manz** reported that Monday Night Football starts tonight with New England at Miami and that brother knight **J. C. Peloquin** will provide an update on sales.

CHAPLAIN REPORT BY: (SK **Fr. Bruno Swiatocha**)

- SK **Father Bruno** shared a quick story: “Some years ago, a young priest was speaking to a group of young students, freshmen and sophomores, about death. He said: Imagine that you’re in a casket and your family and friends came to the wake to view you in the casket. What would you like them to say? One bright student retorted: I’d like them to say: *Look, he’s moving!*”

TREASURER REPORT (GK Ed Manz for SK Paul Lombardi, 910.754.3825, lombardi94@atmc.net):

Account	Date	(\$ Amount
Beginning Balance:	7/29/11	\$26,173.06
Ending Balance:	8/31/11	\$27,425.69
Balance Change (+/-):	8/31/11	+\$1,252.63
Checking (5261):	8/31/11	\$14,583.88
Business Money Rate Savings (0483):	8/31/11	\$7,461.89
Business CD (5777):	8/31/11	\$5,379.92

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT (Dick Connolly, 910.575.6806, dconnolly@atmc.net):

Account	Item	(\$ Amount
Receipts:	Dues: - no report -	- no report -
	Donations:	
	Other:	
Total:		

Account	Item	(\$ Amount
Bills:	- no report -	- no report -
Total:		

CORRESPONDENCE:

- **SUPREME:** None.
- **NC STATE:** Received instructions from **David Onofrio** regarding our “*Third Degree Exemplification*” to be held on November 12th. The instructions were forwarded to our Third Degree Committee for their study and preparation.
- **OTHER:** Received a letter from the “*Crop Walk Committee*” requesting a donation for the upcoming “*Crop Walk*” on Sunday, November 6th.

AUDITORS & TRUSTEES:

- No report.

DISTRICT DEPUTY: (SK Norm Melanson, 910.575.8131, bnm35@atmc.net):

- No report.

INSURANCE AGENT: (Marty J. Yakimovich, 910.617.2805, kcfamjy@aol.com):

- No report.

REPORT ON VOCATIONS:

- No report.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORTS (DGK John Yencik, 910.575.8175, squammis@atmc.net):

CHURCH: (Joe Magri, Director, 910.575.5476, jmagri@atmc.net):

- **RSVP Program:** Brother Knight **Joe Magri** reported that our financial contributions to two seminarians have been sent.
- **Communion Breakfast:** Brother Knight **Joe Magri** reported that he is working on our next communion breakfast; details to be shared real soon.

COMMUNITY (Jerry Scharoun, Director, 910.846.2985, fscharoun@yahoo.com):

- No report.

COUNCIL (Ed Shea, Director, 910.754.3470, ed_mary_shea@atmc.net):

- **Monday Night Football Book Program Report by Brother J. C. Peloquin:**

2011-2012 K of C Monday Night Football Book Program Final Income Report – September 12, 2011 by Brother J.C. Peloquin	
Books:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books ordered: 400 • Books sold: 400
Income This Period: (August 18 th – August 31 st)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checks: \$2,660 • Cash: 900 • Total: <u>\$3,560</u>

Income Summary:

- Total Report 7-31-2011: \$1,680
 - Total Report 8-18-2011: \$2,760
 - Total Report 9-12-2011: \$3,560 (This period)
 - *Grand Total: \$8,000
- * Total Income Council # 9039 2011-2012 K of C MNF Book Program: **\$8,000**.

- Ramp Construction: SK **Jack Pegoni** reported that we are working with Brunswick Senior Services to build a wheel chair ramp for a needy senior at 9405 Bonaparte Drive near Sunset Beach. The material will be delivered Thursday, 9/15/11, and construction will start on Friday, 9/16/11. The Lion's Club will help us. SK **Jack Pegoni** asked for additional volunteers to help build the ramp.

FAMILY (**Tom Davin**, Director, 910.579.9678, davin1@atmc.net):

- Wilmington Outings: Brother Knight **Tom Davin** reported that he is working on some choices for council outings to Wilmington, NC in November.

YOUTH (**Wade Fulmer**, Director, 910.579.1379, wwfulmer@yahoo.com):

- No report.

PUBLICITY (SK **Ray Gromadski**, Director, 732.762.3037, rgromadski@atmc.net):

- No report.

MEMBERSHIP (**George Mangelsdorf**, Director, 910.575.3960, gmangelsdorf@atmc.net):

- Gk **Ed Manz** reported that Mr. **Bob Sperl** from Texas may transfer into our council and that Mr. **Neil (Mike) Cronin** may also be a transfer or re-admission into our council.

RIGHT TO LIFE (TBA):

- No report.

OTHER PROGRAMS:

4th DEGREE: (SK **Jack Pegoni**, Faithful Navigator, 910.579.4650, bevjack@atmc.net):

- 9/11 Ceremony: Faithful Navigator SK **Jack Pegoni** thanked the Fourth Degree Honor Guard that participated in the 9/11 Memorial Mass at St. Brendan's Church. He also reported that a number of photographs were taken of the 9/11 motorcade of fire engines that will be published in the Star newspaper of Wilmington, NC.
- Fourth Degree Meeting: Faithful Navigator SK **Jack Pegoni** also reported that there will be a Fourth Degree meeting at 7:00 PM on Monday, September 19th.
- Fourth Degree Exemplification: Faithful Navigator SK **Jack Pegoni** reported that the next "Fourth Degree Exemplification" is scheduled for October 15th in Raleigh. Our council has two candidates planning to attend. SK **Bob Hack** and SK **Jack Pegoni** have both offered to drive as a car pool to and from Raleigh, but riders must be planning to return the same day.

COLUMBIETTE AUXILIARY 9039: (SK **Jack Pegoni**, Director, 910.579.4650, bevjack@atmc.net):

- Card Party: SK **Jack Pegoni** reported that the Columbiettes' card party is sold out.
- First Degree Exemplification: SK **Jack Pegoni** reported that the Columbiettes held a "First Degree Exemplification" the week of September 5th. They had one new candidate.
- First Monthly Fundraising Dinner: SK **Jack Pegoni** reported that the Columbiettes will help serve the "chicken cacciatore and linguini" dinner on Saturday, September 17th.

OPERATION LAMB FOUNDATION: (**John Grant**, Director, 910.287.1870, gigrant@atmc.net):

- LAMB Collection at WalMart: Brother Knight **John Grant** reported that we collected \$497 at WalMart on Sunday, September 11th and that we will be collecting again for LAMB at Wal-Mart in Shallotte on Sunday, September 25th. There are still many slots open and we need more help. Please go to our website: www.KofC-shallotte.org to log-in for a slot or two.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Council 9039 Golf Tournament: Brother Knight **Dick Donaldson** reported that approximately \$7,000 was made by our Council 9039 Golf Tournament in July at Sea Trail. GK **Ed Manz** congratulated **Dick Donaldson** for a job well done!
- Third Degree Exemplification: GK **Ed Manz** reported that the first “*Third Degree Exemplification*” to be held by our council at St. Brendan’s is scheduled for November 12th. All second degree brothers are strongly encouraged to make their third degree at this convenient time and place to show support for our council and “*Third Degree Team*” who are working hard to ensure the exemplification is well done and a memorable experience for all the candidates. Also, all third degree and above brothers are strongly encouraged to attend as witnesses to also show their support. The “*Third Degree Committee*” is sending out invitational letters to a number of our district’s councils. The schedule on Saturday, November 12th is as follows:
 - 11:00 AM Candidates arrive;
 - 12:00 Noon – Exemplification commences;
 - 3:00 PM – Exemplification and luncheon concludes.Master Chef SK **Jerry Siegmund** will be preparing breakfast for the “*Third Degree Team*” of about 15 to 20 people and lunch for all participants. Only third degree or above knights can help in the kitchen, set-up, serve, and clean-up. SK **Jerry Siegmund** needs help in the kitchen. Please contact him asap if you can help in the kitchen. In addition, at least six volunteers are needed to set-up for the “*Third Degree Ceremony*,” to set up the dining area, to serve food, and to clean-up. Please contact SK **Jack Pegoni** or BK **John Yencik** asap if you can help. Non-working witnesses should plan to pay for their lunch should they partake of the fare.
- Meals on Wheels: SK **Jack Dambaugh** reported that he and Brother Knight **Bob Houser** have taken on one “*Meals on Wheels*” route on Fridays out of the Senior Center on Main Street in Shallotte. They usually begin the route at 9:30 AM on Fridays which takes about one hour and fifteen minutes to one hour and forty-five minutes to complete. If interested in helping them, please contact either **Jack Dambaugh** or **Bob Houser** asap.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Museum of Coastal Carolina & Ingram Planetarium: GK **Ed Manz** reported that he was contacted by Ms. **Dottie David-Wilson**, the Executive Director of the Museum of Coastal Carolina and Ingram Planetarium, in regards to the Knights of Columbus becoming sponsors of under-privileged Brunswick County children by pre-paying their entrance fees into the Museum of Coastal Carolina and Ingram Planetarium. She explained that some children of lower income families are opting out of visiting these wonderful facilities and missing the educational experience because they cannot even afford the low entrance fees. GK **Ed Manz** responded to her request by saying that our budget has already been fixed this year; however, if we should find a surplus toward the end of the year or possibly next year, we will consider her request.
- VFW Tommy “Two Feathers” Roehm Invitational Golf Tourney: Brother Knight **J. C. Peloquin** reported that the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Calabash Post # 7288 is sponsoring the “*5th Annual Tommy “Two Feathers” Roehm Invitational Par 3 Golf Tourney*” at Harbour View Golf Club in Little River, SC on Saturday, September 24, 2011. Tee time is 3:00 PM shotgun start. Scramble format. Cost is \$25 per person which includes beer, water, and soda on the course and a light meal at the VFW afterwards. Cart fees are an additional \$10. Walking is recommended. Accepting only 20 teams. Entry forms were distributed by Brother Knight **J.C. Peloquin**.
- Calabash Elks Veterans Affairs Committees 9th Annual Mini Golf Outing: Brother Knight **J. C. Peloquin** reported that the “*Calabash Elks Veterans Affairs Committees 9th Annual Mini Golf Outing*” is scheduled for October 6th, 2011 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Tropical Adventure in Calabash. (Rain date is October 13th, 2011.) The fee is \$25 per person and four person teams are recommended. Thirty-six (36) holes will be played. There will be prizes, trophies and lunch. Also, there will be a cash raffle with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes. Proceeds will benefit our veterans at the hospital and home in Fayetteville, NC. Make checks payable to: BPOE #2679. Questions call: **Austin Sammon** at 910.579.5838 or **George Griffin** at 910.754.8545.

- Ronald McDonald House: Brother Knight **J. C. Peloquin** reported that a lot of money has been raised for the “*Ronald McDonald House*” charity by collecting aluminum tabs from soda and beer cans. A large bag of aluminum tabs was presented to DGK **John Yencik** who is the Chaplain of American Legion Post 503, the Post spearheading this effort here in southeast Brunswick County. If you know of a high volume source of these aluminum tabs, please contact **J. C. Peloquin** who can instruct you how to collect these and where to send them so that they will benefit the highly respected “*Ronald McDonald House*” charity.

SICK: (see Mariner)

DECEASED: (see Mariner)

GOOD OF THE ORDER: (**Bob Houser**, Lecturer):

- Skipped.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

- August 2011: SK **Richard Rismiller** for his very strong and exemplary Catholic faith exhibited by his dedicated service to our church, our council, and our community. He serves as altar server, editor of the “*Mariner*,” chancellor, and is a frequent volunteer at our council’s fundraising events including LAMB drives and our council’s Saturday evening dinners.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

- August 2011: Brother Knight **John Grant** and his wife, **Ginny Grant** for their dedicated service to our church, our council, and our community. They both routinely work at St. Brendan’s “*Loaves & Fishes*” food pantry helping the needy of Brunswick County. Brother Knight **John Grant** is a Fourth Degree candidate and our new LAMB Program Director who actively supports the council’s many fundraising events. His wife, **Ginny Grant**, is an altar server who is also a well-known volunteer at our many fundraising events.

CHAPLAIN’S SUMMATION: (Chaplain **Fr. Bruno Swiatocha**):

- Skipped.

CLOSING PRAYER LED BY: A decade of the Rosary was led by Chaplain **Fr. Bruno Swiatocha**.

CLOSING ODE LED BY: Not done.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:05 PM **BY:** GK Ed Manz

MEETING MINUTES TAKEN & SUBMITTED BY:

- Bill Potter, Recorder, 910.755.6472, lizbillpotter@aol.com

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Websites of interest:

KofC Supreme: <http://www.kofc.org/un/index.cfm>

KofC North Carolina: <http://kofcnc.org/>

KofC Our Lady of the Rosary Council 9039: <http://www.kofc-shallotte.org/>

KofC Father McGivney: <http://www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/index.do>

KofC Information Catholics Need To Know: <http://www.headlinebistro.com/en/index.html>

KofC Fathers For Good: <http://www.fathersforgood.org/ffg/en/index.html>

Supreme Council Columbiettes: <http://www.columbiettes.com/>

St. Brendan the Navigator Catholic Church: <http://www.saintbrendan-shallotte.org/>

Catholic Voice NC: <http://www.CatholicVoiceNC.org>