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# **Grand Knight's Letter** by GK Steve Berns Brother Knights of Council 14504



Thank you to all who stepped forward to fill an officer position this year. Thank you for supporting me as your Grand Knight for the past year. Congratulations to the newly elected officers who will assume office in July. Please se page 2 for the list of incoming officers.

Officer installation and council awards is scheduled for Tuesday, June 14th, in place of the monthly meeting. A picnic will occur in the shelter at St. Francis and Friendship Hall is reserved in case of rain. It is requested that those with last names beginning A to L bring a side dish and that others bring a dessert. The picnic will begin at 6 PM and be followed by awards and installation of officers. Our Knight of the Year, Lady of the Year, Family of the Year, Youth of the Year, Volunteer of the Year and Chaplain of the Year will be recognized.

It was announced at the state convention that a miracle attributed

to Blessed Michael McGivney was sent to

Rome on March 25.

Our State Deputy encouraged all members to ask 2 men to join the Order, so that the state membership goal might be met and so that the Order can remain strong.

Vivat Jesus! Steve Berns Grand Knight Council 14504 Faithful Navigator Assembly 3056

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#### Council 14504 Officers for 2022-2023 Fraternal Year

**Grand Knight** John Hoffman

**Deputy Grand Knight** Sean Gammon

Chancellor Mike Tortorici

Recorder Joe Schmidt

Warden Mike Manzo

Advocate Michael Freil

Treasurer Mike Nowak

Trustee for 3 Years Steve Berns

Trustee for 2 Years Danny Sprouse

Trustee for 1 Year Shawn McManamy

Outside Guard 1 Jeffrey Travers

Outside Guard 2 Dan Pfeiffer

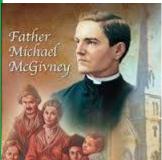
Inside Guard Patrick Allan

**Lecturer** Appointed by GK

**Chaplain** Fr Brian Phelps

Financial Secretary Bob Luppino Appointed by Supreme

#### PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF BLESSED MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY



God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. 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 your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father Hail Mary Glory be to the Father

# Council 14504 Meeting Minutes May 10, 2022

#### Call to Order:

The meeting was held in person. Grand Knight Steve Berns called the Council to order at 7:30 pm and led the Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The Council meeting minutes from April, 2022 were published via the Council newsletter. After motions by Don Hirst and John Hoffman, members approved the minutes as published.

#### **Chaplain's Message:**

Nothing reported.

#### **Grand Knight's Report:**

Thanks were expressed to all who assisted with donut distributions at the First Communion receptions and to those who assisted with the mulch sale. The mulch sale funds many of our charitable activities, such as supporting seminarians.

The State Convention is scheduled for May 13 to 15. The delegates approved by vote of the council are myself, the Grand Knight, and past Grand Knight Cal Frank. Don Hirst was voted upon as alternate.

Donut Sunday will be cancelled for May due to the distribution of donuts for the First Communion receptions and due to several members being at the State Convention.

The K of C night at the Dragons will be on June 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Financial Report:**

Treasurer, Cal Frank, reported the current deposits, expenses, and checking account balance. He also reported the financial results of the mulch sales.

The Financial Secretary, Bob Luppino, reported on bills paid.

#### **Membership Report:**

State Membership Director, Michael Freil, reported on the status of Ohio's KofC recruitment. The Council needs at least one more member to qualify for "Star Council" award.

#### **Program Reports:**

Cal Frank reported on the mulch sales. It was noted that about 100 bags of mulch are still available. Steve Berns reported that the Council qualified for the Columbian award, based upon program completion.

#### Report of the Fourth Degree

Faithful Navigator Steve Berns encouraged Knights to consider the 4<sup>th</sup> degree.

#### **Field Agent Report**

Nothing reported.

#### **District Deputy Report**

District Deputy, Ken Haacke, reported on the current membership incentive, which includes a rosary made in Italy. Ken advised the forms 185 and 365 will be due.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Highway cleanup was discussed and it was decided that the next date will be on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are asked to meet at 9 AM near the shed at St. Francis of Assisi.

(Editor's Note: The May 28th highway clean up was canceled due to weather and will be rescheduled.)

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### May Council 14504 Meeting Minutes, Cont'd

#### **New Business:**

Election of Officers was conducted by District Deputy Ken Haacke.

Ken read the names included on the Grand Knight slate and invited nomination three times. There were no nominations and Cal Fank motioned for the closing of nominations. This was seconded by Mike Nowak. Members voted in favor. Cal Frank then motioned for the election of all officers on the slate, which was seconded by John Hoffman. Members approved. The list of elected officers follows:

Grand Knight John Hoffman Deputy GK Sean Gammon Chancellor Mike Tortorici Recorder Joe Schmidt

Warden Mike Manzo
Advocate Michael Freil
Treasurer Mike Nowak
Trustee for 3 years
Trustee for 2 years
Trustee for 1 year
Shawn McManamy

Outer Guard 1 Jeff Travers
Outer Guard 2 Dan Pfeiffer
Inner Guard Pat Allan

Lecturer to be named by GK

Chaplain remains Fr. Brian Phelps

#### **Good of the Order**

Knight of the Month – Jeffrey Bennett

Family of the Month – Micheal and Linda Tortorici

#### **Closing Prayer:**

All are asked to pray for Tom Kwest, Paul Quolke, Roger Krass, the late Daniel Berns, the late Pat McCoy, Michael Tortorici (surgery), Pat Allen's brother Dan (cancer treatment), Danny's Sprouse's sister Joyce (battling cancer), Cal Frank's wife Cathy (upcoming surgery), Dan Pfeiffer's sister Rita Hughes (cataract surgery), Roberta Nehrbass, Gary Woodall, Tim Orr, and all those affected by the war in Ukraine.

#### **Adjournment:**

Grand Knight, Steve Berns closed the meeting with the Prayer for Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney at 8:22 pm.

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#### **Submitted by Grand Knight Steve Berns**

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