



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Medina Knights of Columbus #4168

July 8, 2025

Grand Knight: Rick Dudas - **excused**

Deputy Grand Knight: Kevin Lynch - **present**

Financial Secretary: Steve Durbin - **present**

Chancellor: Dan Cathcart - **present**

Recorder: Jon Cwalina - **present**

Treasurer: Mark Shee - **excused**

Warden: Barry Norris - **present**

Advocate: Matt Lower - **present**

Inside Guard: Dave Swancer - **present**

Outside Guard: Michael Conley - **excused**

1 Year Trustee: Andy Swancer - **excused**

2 Year Trustee: Tom Maren - **present**

3 Year Trustee: Brian Coughlin - **excused**

Spiritual Director: Bob Cavanaugh - **excused**

Lecturer: Brian Lombardi - **present**

Call to Order:

1. 7:00 PM All in attendance recited the Lord's Prayer (Our Father) and the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call of Officers

3. Motion to approve last month's Meeting minutes by Tom Maren; Second by Dave Swancer; Motion Approved.

Chaplain's Message:

Spiritual Director Bob Cavanaugh was not present..

Grand Knight's Report:

- 1. Corpus Christi:** On Sunday June 22, 2025 @ St. Francis Xavier Noon Mass, the following Medina Knights assembled for Worship. After Mass, a procession anchored by Father Tony Sejba holding a Monstrance containing the Holy Eucharist under a canopy. At the front of the procession were the Servers with the Crucifix, the Knights of Columbus Council 4168, and other Ministries and Parishioners. The procession route was from the back of the church, in front of the SFX School, around the Gymnasium, and concluding in Mary's Garden, where everyone sang "Holy God We Praise Thy Name". Father Tony held a Benediction of the Holy Sacrament assisted by Deacon Mark Tomecko. The Knights participating in the Corpus Christi celebration were: WGK Rick Dudas, Larry Awlyard, Tom Maren, Dan Cathcart, David Cathcart, Matt Lower (who brought a K of C banner and reserved seating for our Brother Knights), Ed Martin, Bill Elligott, Brian Lombardi. Steve Thole, Ron Anderson, and Deacon Bob Cavanaugh. Thank you to all of our Brother Knights who participated in the Corpus Christi celebration. Thank you also to Jennifer Webb who coordinated the Procession effort.
- 2. Seminarian Quinn McNeill:** WGK has been in contact with Our New Seminarian Quinn McNeill from Wadsworth. Quinn sent us a mail message in June and we have traded texts, emails, and voice messages. Finally on July 2nd, we had a nice conversation about our Council and Quinn's future mission of Discernment at Borromeo Seminary and John Carroll University. We talked about Quinn attending one of our meetings for a little "Meet and Greet" session, which will take place at our August 12, 2025 meeting in the Basement Cafeteria of SFX. BTW: Quinn is a 3rd Degree Knight with Council 3213 in Wadsworth.
- 3. Council 4168 Charitable Check Presentation:** Check with Deputy Grand Knight Kevin Lynch about scheduled upcoming Charitable Check Presentations. Most recently WGK Rick Dudas and Chancellor Dan Cathcart attended a celebration at Country Life Kids Camp and Presented Camp Director Tina Bildstein with a \$1,000 donation. Other presentations are forthcoming.
- 4. Thank You:** We received a very nice Thank you note from Pat Vujevich from the OLHC Outreach Food Pantry, which read "Thank you to the Knights of Columbus Council 4168 for your most generous donation to our food pantry. Our clients are most grateful for your generosity. God Bless You".
- 5. 2025 Race for Glory:** The Race Race Registration will be at 8:00 AM and the Race will take place at 9:00 AM on Saturday 08/23/2025 at Buckeye Woods Park. Sponsorships and Race Entry forms are still available (attached the forms to the last 2 monthly Council 4168 meeting minutes emails). Volunteers are needed, too.

- 6. Council 10063 Golf Outing:** The New London Knights of Columbus Council 10063 is holding a Golf 4 Man Scramble on Saturday July 26, 2025 @ Millstone Hills Golf Course in New London. Hole Sponsors are \$100.00 per sign. Early Bird is \$320.00 for a team of 4; Day of the Race is \$360.00 per team. Contact WGK for more information.
- 7. Right to Life Golf Event:** Right to Life of NE Ohio is holding a Golf For Life Event on Monday September 8, 2025 at Silver Lake Country Club. Green or Tee Sponsors are \$300.00 each and Golfing at the event is \$125.00. Contact WGK for more information.
- 8. Greater Cleveland Chapter of the Knights of Columbus:** Teran Taggart (Chapter President) of the Greater Cleveland Chapter of the Knights of Columbus is looking for donations to the 2025 Rainbow Camp from Councils. The Augustine Rainbow Camp is to provide a positive Day Camp Experience for the largely urban youth (both disabled and non- disabled) who participate in the program. Brother Taggart is looking for Councils to donate \$100.00 to the cause. Checks can be made out to “Greater Cleveland Chapter of the Knights of Columbus” - Memo Line “2025 Rainbow Camp”.

Financial Report:

Financial Secretary: Please present any bills not previously approved for payment - No Bills to Discuss.

Worthy Treasurer: Please report on the Council’s Financial Status:

<u>Charity</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Gimme5</u>	<u>Troop 506</u>	<u>Seminary</u>	<u>Bilbrey Fund</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
\$21,561.48	\$10,907.61	\$1,454.81	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$3,730.00	\$40,653.64

Membership Report:

Worthy Membership Director Brian Lombardi (New Membership Director) Many thanks to Dan (Cathcart) for filling this role for many years. I’ve been looking at the recruitment content on the K of C website. I need an officer to provide me with a current membership roster. I have some ideas - some new and some old. I look forward to discussing them with a small committee.

Chancellor’s Report: Dan Cathcart

1. June 22nd WGK Rick Dudas along with a dozen other brothers led the Eucharistic Procession for Corpus Christi at St Francis Xavier following the noon mass.
2. June 27th WGK Rick Dudas and I were blessed to attend the Celebration Party at Country Life Kids Camp to thank their Donors & Board members for their support of the building of the 9 Hole Putting Green! We presented our \$1000 check from our Knight’s Charities fund to the Camp Director Tina Bildstein.

3. Brother Tom Schmidt, Race Director & Founder of the Knight's Race for Glory met with Stephanie Furey and Angel Kieffer of the Giving Place Medina on July 3rd to receive their Premier Sponsorship check of \$2,500.00 along with leaders / benefactors from Special Olympics, The Society, Integrated Community Solutions & our Knight's Charities.
4. The date is fast approaching (Race for Glory - August 23, 2025), and we are still looking for your help to volunteer, walk, run or to help us obtain new Sponsors for this important event that makes a difference to those in our community that have intellectual disabilities!

Worthy 4th Degree Representative: Tom Maren - Please present your report.

1. The 4th Degree Color Corps are collaborating with the Legion of Mary to make stoles out of the old capes for our Priests. If interested, please consider donating your old cape.
2. One bottle of Single Barrel New Riff Bourbon remains from our Fund Raising Event.

Worthy Insurance Agent: Chris Winston is our new Insurance and Financial Agent. He greeted our Brother Knights and provided us with his background and information about his family. He told us about serving as a Brother Knight in Virginia before his relocation to Ohio in 2020. Chris is dual licensed in insurance and financials.

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business: No New Business

Lecturer's Reflection from Brian Lombardi: Let us listen to the Worthy Lecturer Brian Lombardi Reflect on his spiritual thoughts for the Month of July. Brothers, Here we are together at the half way point of 2025. It's hard to believe that we're rounding second base already, but I think we all can find reason to thank God for the wonderful weather, the beautiful flowers, and the long days to enjoy daily life. With more daylight and energy, we should be able to spend more time contemplating some deeper mysteries of our Catholic faith, such as the Most Precious Blood which we celebrate in the month of July. In today's context, when we hear His Most Precious Blood, we don't give it the full weight of meaning and breath of significance of how it differs from the Body of Christ and yet fully united with it. When speaking about God's Real Presence in the Eucharist, we say that God is truly present "Body, Blood, Soul & Divinity", but think a minute of why we designate the Body and the Blood vs say His Body and His DNA? Wouldn't it be obvious that His Precious Blood would just be part of His Body? The fact that we differentiate the Body and the Blood. signifies that they are 2 separate mysteries. To help us see the significance of the Precious Blood, we can look at a few different aspects of our faith and tradition. If we look

back at scripture and history, the body and the blood are clearly differentiated in the sacrifices of our Jewish ancestors, where only the body was sacrificed but the blood was never consumed. Or think of how significant the Blood it is that, during the time of his passion and death that we read during Holy Week, His precious blood, which was his very self in person, was lying on the streets of Jerusalem, was on the floor of the palace of the high priest and in his prison. This is why the Church in its liturgy today worships the blood of Christ—not just as it is now after the resurrection, reunited with his body and his soul, and in the Blessed Sacrament—but also as shed in his passion. The Feast of the Precious Blood, celebrated in the Roman Rite in many places, points this out, as does the official Litany of the Precious Blood promulgated by Pope St John XXIII in 1962 To more fully experience this soul saving mystery of the Precious Blood, I suggest that we can do **3** things this month: **1.** let us desire to drink of this precious blood in the Holy Sacrament when it has been offered up for the living and the dead in the Holy Mass when receiving Eucharist, **2.** Recite the Litany of the Precious Blood which is a great shield against the devil and demonic forces acting all around us, **3.** Explore why we can partake in the Precious blood in the Roman rite but not in the Latin rite prior to 1962. This blood is really and always of infinite value because it is an infinite and eternal Person with God the Son.

Grand Knight's Summary: None

Prayers:

Anonymous Donor - HM

Prayers for Our Country

Betty Braskie

Reno Buca

Kim Cathcart

Rob Musial

Brian Cerio Family

Debbie Coons

Courtney Courtney

Amber Doucet

Elderly in Nursing Homes (and staff caring for them)

Eric Uturo

Wayne Boggs

Joseph Richards

Herman Dehring

Angie Rasolett friend of Steve Braskie

Randy Krause

Lois Cathcart

Jerome Dietrichl

Kasper Family

Ed Martin (continuing Recovery)

Terry Moynihan brother of Mark Moynihan

Joan Selby

Jim Sieniawski

Bernadette Swancer

John Otto's Uncle (Passed minutes ago - before meeting)

Jessica Park Daughter in law of Mike Park

Nick Wallace

Mary Maren (Stroke)

Tony Cathcart (Heart)

Success of Pope Leo

Mark and Lindsey Phillips

Ed Greer

Closing Prayer: Meeting concluded with a Hail Mary and the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel.

Adjournment: Motion: Dan Cathcart Second: Tom Maren Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Thank you: Deputy Grand Knight - Kevin Lynch for leading the meeting in my absence (GK Rick Dudas).