

# *DC Knights of Columbus Charities*

Eighteenth Annual Meeting - April 27, 2024

## **Report of the President**

Members of the Corporation and my Brother Knights:

Greetings from the officers and members of the DC Knights of Columbus Charities. It is a pleasure for me to report on the state of the charities, at this annual meeting, of which we are the stewards. I want to thank you for the opportunity to present this annual report, and secondly, thank you for the support which you have given us this past year.

The state of the Charities is financially sound, as this report will attest, along with the report of my fellow officers. During the past year, we promoted and held our 6th annual golf tournament, which was very successful. We had the largest number of golfers to play in the tournament since we began hosting this event. a special thank you to all of you who made this possible.

Because of the success of the tournament, we again will be able to award four, five hundred dollars to those desiring students, without having to withdraw additional funds from the treasury to pay for them. In addition, the board voted to award two grants of one thousand dollars to two Catholic Elementary schools, for desiring students of their selection. The success of the tournament allowed us to retain funds for the scholarship account for future use in case of a down year.

We have invited the winners of the scholarships to be the guests of the Charities at the State Council, brunch, and awards ceremony to be recognized for their achievements.

The names of the \$500 scholarship winners and the schools they will be attending are:

- Guilherme Forjaz de Lacerda, The Heights School
- Aria Grace Jefferson, Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School
- Iraluchi Iweanoge, St. Anselms Abbey School
- Tricia Small, Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School

The schools receiving the \$1000 grants are:

- Sacred Heart School
- St. Augustine Catholic School

Please join me in thanking the golf committee for making this another successful event.

The Charities are currently working with the State Deputy to help solicit funds for a container of wheelchairs for his country of birth Vietnam. Please make any contribution through the charities for a tax deduction. We kindly ask for your support in making this project a successful project.

As previously reported we opened an account with the Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors Corporation. We have seen very positive results from this venture. You will hear more on this in the treasurer report. During the past year, we opened a second CD account with Truist Bank to maximize the rate of return on investment and stagger the dates of maturity, this will also be further explained in the treasurer report.

This year in October will be again hosting our annual golf tournament, and we have decided on a venue change, all features will remain the same except the location which will be the Woodmore County Club in Mitchellville, Maryland.

Under New Business: I would like your favorable consideration for the following resolutions and board election.

Election of the following for three-year terms beginning May 2024- May 2027.

- Joshua Bryant, John Paul II Council
- Gregory Cole, St. Anthony Council
- Peter Gervais, Keane Council

A resolution to adopt the necessary and standard resolutions to establish or maintain financial accounts in an approved banking institution.

Vivat Jesus,

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