

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
East Lansing Council 7816**

Minutes for January 13, 2015 General Meeting

Eight members were present when Grand Knight Art Weber called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. After an opening prayer and singing of the opening ode, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call of officers was taken. PGK Chuck Graff moved to approve the minutes of the December meeting, seconded by DGK Mark Meyer. Motion carried.

ADMISSIONS REPORT

- Brother Ed Kupac transferred from Fenton, MI.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

- ALPHA Program (10 weeks) – Mondays @ 6:30 PM, assistance needed with meal setup, serving and cleanup, program about group bonding and learning about Christianity
- Men's Retreat – January 16th-18th @ St. Francis Retreat Center in Dewitt
- Destination Marriage Program – starts Friday, January 16th
- 2nd & 3rd Degrees – February 7th @ Council 788's Columbus Hall by the airport
- Last Pancake Breakfast – February 8th, proceeds to support Middle East/Rome trip by Major Seminarians, sign up on the doodle
- Fish Fry #1 – February 20th, pricing to be addressed at officers' meeting, little to no change is last year's supply prices
- Fish Fry #6 (last) – March 27th
- Blood Drive – February 25th or March 20th are current target dates (MSU spring break: March 6th-15th; STA break: post Good Friday)
- MI Tootsie Roll Drive – March 27th (Palm Sunday weekend), DGK Mark Meyer met with former chairman Brother Dan Phillips for transition
- Traveling Icon – March 4th-10th @ STA Chapel, during 6:30 AM mass
- Annual Parish Picnic – Sunday, July 26th
- Knights Family Night to Support Vocations – Friday, August 7th @ Lansing Lugnuts game

OTHER REPORTS

- a. Treasurer's Report:
 - Reported that after 24 years of service it is time to step down
 - Approximately \$665.00 income for December 2014 Breakfast, no donations
 - Council is current with all assessments and bills
- b. Financial Secretary's Report: per GK Art Weber
 - 288 members, 17 suspensions
- c. Trustee's Report:
 - PGK Chuck Graff reported that Pancake Breakfasts have been steady
- d. Chancellor's Report: nothing to report
- e. Program Director's Report:
 - DGK Mark Meyer looking for MI (Tootsie Roll) Drive volunteers

f. Unfinished Business: nothing to report

g. New Business:

- Votes in need:
 - Motion to sponsor Annual Parish Picnic (costs TBD); approve by PGK Chuck Graff, seconded by Brother Rob Railling, motion carried
 - Motion to sponsor Council Bowling Team (\$400.00); approve by DGK Mark Meyer, seconded by Brother Larry Meyer, motion carried
- State Convention – May 21st-23rd
- John Anton retiring from Treasurer position, accepting nominations
- Living Rosary Form for deceased members due

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Prayers were requested for the following:

Pope Francis and Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Bishop Earl Boyea and Bishop Emeritus Carl Mengeling, PGK Paul Gadola, Past Recording Secretary John Molloy, Marcus and Lue Venyah, Brother Ken Norton and his wife Eve, Alice Vielbig, spouse of PGK John Vielbig, Brother Mike Wooley, Pauline Wooley, Brother Mike's mother, Phyllis Izdebski, Brother Mike Wooley's mother-in-law, Brother Tom Kinney and his wife Stella, Brother Chuck Lewis, and Frank Brandell from Council 788. Also, all men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces and members of the Rosary-Altar Society and St. Vincent DePaul Society.

Next meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2015 at 7:30 PM. A closing prayer was offered and the closing ode was sung. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Railling, Recorder