

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**East Lansing Council 7816**

**Minutes for June 14, 2016 General Meeting**

Eleven members were present when Grand Knight Mark Meyer 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. Brother Frank Goeddeke moved to approve the minutes of the May meeting, seconded by Brother John Ingraham. Motion carried.

**ADMISSIONS REPORT**

- One open application:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Ceremony TBD for previously approved candidate Richard Drake.

**GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

- Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, Farewell Breakfast for Fr. Dan Westermann, 9 a.m. to noon, jacket to be presented as gift
- Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, Parish Picnic at Patriarche Park scheduled for 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., chairman is Gary Adamo.
- Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, Lugnuts Vocations Night, 5 p.m. at the New Cooley Law School Stadium, contact Brother Chuck Graff for tickets (\$13) at [graffc@michigan.gov](mailto:graffc@michigan.gov).
- Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, Start of Fall Fundraiser, MSU home football games ticket scanning, \$2,000 raised for the council last season, chairman Brother Ed Kupec.
- Election of Officers for 2016 – 2017 fraternal year (see New Business).
- May 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, State Convention Report via Leo Christel
  - State Deputy Elect - Ken Underbrink
  - State Warden Elect – Chris Kolomjec
  - State Treasurer Elect – Bill Chastain from council 788
  - District Deputy Elect – Mike Wegener from council 788
  - Keynote Speaker – Supreme Director of Membership Tom Wegener, 68,000 state members

**OTHER REPORTS**

- Treasurer's Report:
  - Review of latest monthly financial statements, no major activities.
  - Review of fraternal year funds for distribution, to be decided at Officers Meeting on June 28<sup>th</sup>, approximately \$6,000 to distribute
- Financial Secretary's Report:
  - 289 members YTD
  - 19 in-active members
  - 13 honorary members
  - 14 honorary lifetime members

- 14 suspensions
- Recommends that council focus on retention in upcoming fraternal year.
- Trustee's Report: nothing to report
- Chancellor's Report: nothing to report
- Program Director's Report: nothing to report
- Advocate's Report: nothing to report
- Unfinished Business: nothing to report
- New Business:
  - Council elections were held for the 2016 - 2017 fraternal year. Results following:
    - Grand Knight – Mark Meyer\*
    - Deputy Grand Knight – Dante Centofanti\*
    - Chancellor – Larry Meyer\*
    - Recorder – Chuck Graff\*
    - Treasurer – Art Weber\*
    - Advocate – John Ingraham
    - Warden – Russ Martin\*
    - Inside Guard – Mike Wooley\*
    - Outside Guard – Paul Stevens\*

\*Due to no other nominations per position the officers were elected by acclamation.

- Financial Secretary – Rick Poljan
- Continuing Trustees:
  - ❖ 1 Yr. – Chuck Lewis
  - ❖ 2 Yr. – Alan Stuart
  - ❖ 3 Yr. –

## **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; Fr. Jake Foglio; District Deputy Dave Myers; PGK Paul Gadola; Past Recording Secretary John Molloy; Anne Graff, wife of PGK Chuck Graff; Marcus and Lue Venyah; Brother Ken Norton; Pauline Wooley, mother of Brother Mike Wooley; Phyllis Izdebski, mother-in-law of Brother Mike Wooley; Jim Wooley, brother of Brother Mike Wooley; Brother Chuck Lewis; Brother Don Hillman; Brother Brian Jay; Brother Bill Stelzer; Brother William Derengoski; choir member Frank Tuma; family of Brother Dr. George Bettman (charter member); family of Alan Lander, brother-in-law of Brother Chuck Lewis; and family of Fr. Frank William. 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 July 12, 2016 at 7:30 PM. A closing prayer was offered and the closing ode was sung. Meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Railling, Recorder