

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
East Lansing Council 7816

Minutes for November 11, 2014 General Meeting

Ten 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. Brother Russ Martin moved to approve the minutes of the August meeting, seconded by Brother Mike Swords. Motion carried.

Special Guests:

Brother Francis from Holy Cross Children's Services
Dave Myers – District Deputy
Post-Meeting Guest Speaker: PGK Peter Bertsch; topic: overview of HCCS

ADMISSIONS REPORT

- A single vote was taken on 3 new candidates:

Troy Walker, brother of member Brandon Walker, manager @ Kellogg Center
Bryon Ball, previous member of IHM K of C that moved to EL area with family
James Bagaloff, STA family from Okemos whose children attend
- Motion to hold single ballot made by PGK Chuck Graff, seconded by Brother Russ Martin
- Decision to induct into the Council was unanimous
- Motion to destroy ballots: moved, PGK Chuck Graff, second, Brother Russ Martin

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

- Brother Tom Kinney: founding member and 4th degree, passed away at the age of 94, Tribute from GK Weber
- Open Officer Position: Warden needed. Brother Andy Gallavan has asked to step down due to additional work responsibilities.
- March for Life in Washington DC will be held Jan 21-23. Contact GK for details
- Annual Knights Raffle deadline is April 11. \$1 from each sale comes directly back to our Council
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OTHER REPORTS

- a. Treasurer's Report:
Pancake breakfast was a success
Deceased masses for recently deceased have been scheduled
- b. Financial Secretary's Report: nothing to report
Current status is 301 members
Notice to suspend members in arrears has been sent to State
Need a retention chairman for 2015
- c. Trustee's Report:
December meal and mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe – see bulletin for details
- d. Chancellor's Report: nothing to report
- e. Program Director's Report: Newsletter just about finished and ready for distribution
- f. Unfinished Business:

- Display case update – display case glass doors have been installed

g. New Business:

- Knight of the Month for October – Gary Hauser (certificate)
- Shining Armor Award – Rob Railling (certificate)
- Knight of the Year – Chuck Graff (certificate + \$50 dinner and a movie certificate)

h. District Deputy comments

Tom Kinney tribute – honor guard present at visitation and funeral

Need to work on membership

Annual Doc Egan Children’s Christmas party – Council 788 on December 14th

District Meeting will be held in Bishop Baraga Room in January – all officers invited

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, P.G.K. Paul Gadola, Past Recording Secretary John Molloy, Marcus and Lue Venyah, Brother Ken Norton and his wife Eve, Alice Vielbig, spouse of P.G.K. John Vielbig, Pauline Wooley, Brother Mike’s mother, Phyllis Izdebski, Brother Mike Wooley’s mother-in-law, Brother Tom Kinney and his wife Stella, Brother Frank Goeddeke, 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 December 9, 2014 at 7:30 PM. A closing prayer was offered and the closing ode was sung. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM and PGK Peter Bertsch’s presentation followed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Railling, Recorder