

K of C Minutes of September-10, 2013

Council 7816

Deputy Grand Knight Art Weber opened the meeting with prayer at 7:30 p.m. An opening ode was sung and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited. Roll call of officers was taken and minutes of the August meeting, as posted on the Council website were approved on motion of Andy Gallavan, with support from Inside Guard Mike Wooley.

Brother Weber announced that several changes in officers would be necessary, given problems. Grand Knight Peter Bertsch has asked to be relieved of his position and has requested that his brothers pray for him and his family Brother Weber will become Grand Knight and Mark Meyer Deputy Grand Knight. P.G.K. Chuck Lewis returns to a leadership role as Chancellor. Continuing in their roles will be Recorder John Molloy, Financial Secretary Rich Poljan (appointed), Treasurer John Anton, Warden Andy Gallavan and Inside Guard Mike Wooley. P.G.K. Chuck Graff will be Third Year Trustee, John Ingraham will be Second Year Trustee and Peter Bertsch will become First Year Trustee. Open positions are Advocate, and Outside Guard.

The officers will be installed by the District Deputy and Rev. Antony Strouse half an hour prior to their meeting on September 24.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP-None received

Other Reports:

Treasurer John Anton distributed a statement for the period July 31/13 until August 31/13. He noted that the result of Breakfast # 1 was a minimal net profit, but that this usually is due to inventory building. Trustee Charles Graff observed that we clearly will not have "to buy as much stuff" as at the first breakfast.

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, Angela Baker, Norm Barkeley, Subrina Marie Bartel, Carol Bergin, spouse of Chris Bergin, Tom Clement, Brother Scott Cole's daughter Nicci, Jan Davenport and Virginia May, P.G.K, Bill LeVeque's sisters, as well as Bother Bill's mother, Catherine.

Also Lisa Ellis, Thomas Foehrtman, Joe Frazier, P.G.K. Paul Gadola, Jennifer Gardner, Kelleigh Gustafson, Regina Howard, Phyllis Izdebski, Inside Guard Mike Wololey's mother-in-law. Also, Tom Jackson, Joseph Jeffries of the Rudland, Mi. Council, Lawrence Kelly, Charles Kelly, Charles King, Ray King, Curt Leahy, Larry Lesparis, Carolyn Lewis, recently deceased spouse of Chancellor Chuck Lewis, Joan Lubisch, Fr. Bill Luger, Mary Ann Majuski, eldest daughter of Brother Leo Christel, Linda Malloy and George Merva.

Also, John Paris, Annette Platt, Dennis Rich, Lynn Schroeder, Marcus and Lue Venyh, Alice Vielbig, spouse of P.G.K. John Vielbig, Pauline Wooley, Brother Mike's mother and Laura Young. Also, men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, members of the Rosary- Altar Society and St. Vincent DePaul Society.

A closing prayer was offered and a closing ode was sung

Respectfully submitted,

John Molloy, Recorder

ADDENDUM

Officers met briefly after the installation ceremony of September 24.

Agenda items

1. Travel and housing information concerning the 41st March for Life Rally that will be held on January 22 in Washington, D.C. was distributed by the Grand Knight. Deadline for reservations is December 15, 2013. Mail inquiries Paul and Sue Thorn, 768 Lockmoore Ct., Rochester Hills, Mi. 48307 Phone inquiries, 248-852-1758

Trustee Chuck Graff spoke about local and state Right to Life activities scheduled near the end of this month, including 40 Days for Life

2. .Each officer is challenged to recruit a new member this fraternal year.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP-

Financial secretary Richard Poljan submitted the membership application of Alan D. Waters and endorsed his candidacy, which was approved. Usual motion to destroy the ballots was made and passed

- 3 Mother Teresa House Funeral Mass Warden Andy Gallavan brought for discussion an item (see e-mail from Karen) on having Masses said for those who were of no faith, Protestant or non-practicing

Catholics. This appears to be a complicated effort and she suggests the need to involve a chaplain in further discussions.

4. Future speakers—John Anton noted that Rev. Jim Lothemer is scheduled to speak on Tuesday, Nov. 12. He is known for giving excellent talks on our founder, Fr. McGivney. Judith Stegeman gave the first in a series of presentations when she spoke about the historic role of Consecrated Virgins in the Church, how she sold Simplified Bookkeeping to complete course work to become a leader in that area.

5. Council fund raiser ideas—The Grand Knight urged members to put on their thinking caps to consider what projects we may wish to sponsor in the future. These include work on the church organ, scholarships at Lansing Catholic Central or other institutions. We also have ordered repair of the Curtain in the renovated STA Gym.

We also received a letter from Patrick Daniels on potential fund raisers at Studio C Theater in Meridian Township. After some discussion, it was decided to reserve judgment until we have more information.

6. Some thought was given and further discussion will be held later about the future of the Pancake breakfasts. Attendance seems to be OK after the 9 a.m. Mass, but very few people are attending after the 11 a.m. St. Thomas Aquinas service. Future cooperation with St. John's to attract some of their folks, hungry after an 8.a.m. service may be explored.

7. Deceased member plaque. Consideration to add names of recently deceased members of our Order to a Council deceased member plaque (or plaques) was discussed. The importance of getting the names spelled correctly was stressed by P.G.K. Frank Goeddeke. Trustee Chuck Graff moved, with support from Inside Guard Wooley, to purchase the plaque. Both accepted a friendly amendment, offered by Treasurer Anton, that funds from the Brothers in Need account be used for this purpose. Motion carried.

Brother Anton moved to have Mass offered for deceased spouses of Brother Knights this fraternal year. Motion carried.

8. The Grand Knight noted that two upcoming 2nd/3rd Degree ceremonies are scheduled for October 20 at 12:30 p.m. at Portland and November 23 at 10 a.m. at Mason. Please consider attending one of these ceremonies if you are a First Degree Knight. Additional information is available from the Grand Knight.

9. A final motion was made by Brother Poljan and supported by Brother Graff. Brother Gallavan requested STA to reserve, under the auspices of the Knights, Fr. Mac Hall for a November 2 formal Halloween social for the young Catholic adult group to which he belongs. A second component of the motion was to approve a request by Brother Paul LaCroix to send, via Council e-mail, a notice for an upcoming fund raiser in support of the Boy Scouts. Officers approved the motions