

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Msgr. Jerome MacEachin East Lansing Council 7816

Minutes for April 13, 2021 General Meeting 7:30

Grand Knight Paul Lacroix called the meeting to order at 7:35.

The meeting was opened by reciting the Our Father and a prayer to Blessed Michael McGivney.
Pledge of Allegiance

There were 15 members present when the meeting was called to order.

Roll call was taken by the Grand Knight.

Officers present:

Grand Knight Paul Lacroix

Deputy Grand Knight Paul Gadola

Financial Secretary Dave Myers

Recording Secretary Tony Rohac (excused)

Treasurer Arthur Weber(excused)

Inside Guard Mike Wooley

Outside Guard Bradley Gagnon(excused)

Chancellor John Schwend

Warden Luke Gray

Two-Year Trustee Tom Colosimo

Three-Year Trustee Mike Gardner

Advocate John Ingraham

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:

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Fish Fry:

The total profit of \$13,695 was reported as best profit ever for our fish fries.

Grand Knight thanked all who worked on fish fry for a job well done.

Taking orders gave our Grand Knight an opportunity to talk to several parishioners about things like covid restrictions and returning to mass etc. Lot of favorable comments on scouts being involved.

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Parish Update:

Tape is off isles and holy water is in fountain at St Thomas. Between now and Pentecost other precautions may be lifted, like having holy water at doors and ropes between pews being removed.

Two to three weeks before Pentecost around 3,500 blessed candles with an eight-day prayer intention card will be given away at masses to each parishioner as a personal gift from Bishop Boyea. Names of each parishioner receiving a candle will be recorded by volunteers and church staff. The list will be compared to the parish roster to determine who is not coming to mass. Those not on the list will be contacted by the church staff and volunteers to ask them when and where they would like to pick up their gift and will also review a prepared survey of their thoughts about attending mass etc.

Financial Secretary's Report:

Grand Knight received one new online application for Martin Louney, whose father is a member. Our Grand Knight emailed him and requested him to tell us more about himself before we approve his membership.

Names of members with 2 to 3 years dues in arrears were submitted to Supreme for Intent to Retain which gives them 60 days to pay outstanding dues before they are suspended.

Treasurer's Report:

Report was reviewed and approved as reported.

Deceased Member Plagues:

Inside Guard, Mike Wooley, reported that plagues are caught up and there is room for 20 more names, and he is getting details on total cost.

40th Anniversary Celebration:

Next meeting is in May. Menu selection is close to being made and date will be October 9th, 2021. Gym is reserved. Program and slide show are still being worked on.

District Deputy's Report:

Director provided Advertising from K of C Insurance Agent.

Director provided a video link for a text marketing communication program to be used by the Knights councils, the church, or as a membership drive plus additional available services. It is an opt-in application to receive messages.

Brennan Hayden, our Insurance agent, recommended registering for a presentation on financial planning on April 28 at 7:00 pm. Grand Knight will include information on this in his next email updates.

Unfinished Business:

Next Year's Officers:

Grand Knight presented list for next year's positions.

Deputy Grand Knight volunteered to become Grand Knight.

Scott Jakovac volunteered to be Deputy Grand Knight/Program Director.

Grand Knight recommended Greg Perkowski for Lecturer.

New Business:**Donations:**

Grand Knight presented and reviewed list of all charities we have given donations to in the past.

Grand Knight will entertain suggestions for additional charities to be added to list.

The list will be reviewed at the next Officers meeting and they will come up with final recommended list and how much will be donated to each.

Prayer List was reviewed and updated.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Grand Knight reviewed proposed acknowledgement for deceased member Chris Bergin and reviewed a suggested memorial plaque for him in or around the kitchen or the gym.

Prayers are requested for:

- Pope Francis
- Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
- Bishop Earl Boyea
- Bishop Emeritus Carl Mengeling
- Fr. Jake Foglio(deceased)
- Fr. Mark Ingot
- Fr. Gary Koenigsknecht
- Fr. Jerry Ploof
- Fr Gordon
- Fr Matthew
- Fr Mike
- Fr Mathias Thelen
- Past State Supreme Knight Carl A Anderson
- State Supreme Knight Patrick E Kelly
- Brother Chris Bergin(deceased)
- Brother Bill Cleary
- Brother William Derengoski
- Brother Frank Goeddeke
- Debbie Engan, sister of PGK Chuck Graff
- Tom Fox
- Brother Scott Gillespie
- Anne Graff, wife of PGK Chuck Graff
- Tammy Pruitt, niece of PGK Chuck Graff
- David Sommers, father-in-law of Brother Luke Gray
- Brother Gary Hauser
- Shirlean Hauser, wife of Brother Hauser
- Brother John Ingraham
- Joyce Magner, friend of Brother John Ingraham
- Cheryl Slocum, friend of Brother John Ingraham
- Joe Ingram, Brother of Brother John Ingraham
- Joe Joseph, Friend of Scott Jakovac
- Brother Vern Johnson
- Brother Paul Miller

- Brother Mark Meyer
- Mark, brother of John Ingraham
- Brother Christopher Niemela
- Brother Paul Stevens
- Brother Bill Stelzer
- Dan Darnel, cousin of Brother Michael Wooley
- Easton Wooley, grandson of Michael Wooley.
- All residents of Phoenix and all affected by covid
- Dante Centofani, PDGK, and his wife Karyn

Prayers were also requested for all men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces and members of the Rosary-Altar Society and St. Vincent DePaul Society. Also offering prayers for healing for the clergy and parishioners of the Catholic Church here and around the world. As well as, Law Makers and Government Officials, First Responders and Medical Healthcare workers, Teachers, and STA school and Staff.

Meeting was closed by reciting the Hail Mary. Prayer to Bishop Baraga.
Meeting was adjourned at 8:35.