

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
East Lansing Council 7816

Minutes for August 12, 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 July meeting, seconded by Brother Peter Bertsch. Motion carried.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

- Parish Picnic:
 - Event went well
 - Leftover food to be used for a potential Knights picnic
- Charitable Contributions Thank You letters:
 - Fr. Lothamer – jacket presentation
 - Special Olympics
 - Miguel Colunga-Santoyo
 - St. Vincent Catholic Charities
 - Peckham Community Partnership Foundation
- Council 788 Scrap Metal Fundraiser Drive:
 - Being held sometime in August 2014
 - Contact Ray Drouin @ 517-372-4266
- September 2014 Events:
 - 14th – First Pancake Breakfast
 - 14th – Joni Harms concert to benefit St. Vincent Catholic Charities, notices were sent
 - 19th – Soccer Challenge, rain date is the 26th
- Free Throw Competition:
 - No date as of yet
- Caring for Our Treasured Gifts Campaign (\$1.4 million campaign):
 - Construction of a six-apartment facility for our Senior Priests located in Burton, MI on the Blessed Sacrament campus
 - Goal is to raise \$50,000 between K of C councils
 - Bishop Boyea is requesting \$4.50 per member per Council (\$1,287.00 from 7816)
- Traveling Icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe at STA:
 - March 4-10, 2015
 - Volunteers are needed
- STA's own Deacon Kasprzak:
 - Discussion of Marriage and Family articles in Columbia magazine

OTHER REPORTS

- a. Treasurer's Report:
 - July 2014 was a low key month, not a lot of activity
 - 2014 Parish picnic net costs were \$842.78
 - Semi- annual audit report due by August 15th
 - Income tax filing is upcoming
- b. Financial Secretary's Report: nothing to report
- c. Trustee's Report: nothing to report
- d. Chancellor's Report: nothing to report

- e. Program Director's Report:
 - o Mark mentioned a Council 788 golf outing to be held at Prairie Creek in Dewitt in September for a fundraiser to raise funds for Bill Chasse's state officer campaign
- f. Unfinished Business:
 - o Display case update – dealing with contractor is not going well
- g. New Business:
 - o Knight of the Month – July: Gary Adamo for picnic efforts
 - o Knight of the Year – Chuck Graff nominated
 - o Mass sponsorships to include deceased spouses
 - o Please send cards of support to Past Recording Secretary John Malloy

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Prayers were requested for the following (some are carried over from earlier meetings):

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, John Kinney (in-home hospice) and Tom Kinney. 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 September 9, 2014 at 7:30 PM. A closing prayer was offered and the closing ode was sung. Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Railling, Recorder