

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
East Lansing Council 7816**

**Minutes for January 12, 2016 General Meeting**

Thirteen members were present when Grand Knight Mark Meyer called the meeting to order at 6:35 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 Al Stuart moved to approve the minutes of the December meeting, seconded by Brother Andy Gallavan. Motion carried.

**ADMISSIONS REPORT**

- Two new applications:
  - Motion to accept two new members Edward Robinson and Michael Thompson; approved by Brother Larry Meyer, seconded by Brother Paul Stevens, both approved by paper ballot, potential 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Ceremony Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - GK Mark Meyer requested that every brother recruit one new member.

**GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

- Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, Men's Retreat, registration at 6:30 PM.
- Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, St. Vincent Catholic Charities presentation rescheduled after general meeting (6:30 PM start time).
- Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, start of weekly Lenten Fish Frys, new fridge is in place, volunteers needed, sign-up via doodle.
- Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, annual Blood Drive, Eric Sudol leading.
- Weekend, March 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, MI Tootsie Roll Drive.
- Weekend, May 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, Tartan Festival 5K run/walk for memory of Riley Faith Rule at 9 AM, possible KofC Pancake Breakfast and recruiting event.
- Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, Parish Picnic at Patriarche Park scheduled.
- Late Knight Breakfast for MSU students was well attended and successful.

**OTHER REPORTS**

- Treasurer's Report:
  - Review of latest monthly financial statements.
- Financial Secretary's Report:
  - 288 projected members
  - 2016 member dues – 2/3 collected, 124 members outstanding, 2<sup>nd</sup> notices sent via email, request for 4 members for retention committee.
  - Expenses sent in for per capita dues, catholic advertisement/culture of life dues and necessary supplies.
- Trustee's Report:
  - PGK Chuck Graff – Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, Last Pancake Breakfast was well attended except after the 11 AM mass, leftover food was donated to the Haven House.

- Chancellor's Report: nothing to report
- Program Director's Report: nothing to report
- Advocate's Report: nothing to report
- Unfinished Business:
  - Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, Traveling Icon arrives and will be viewable after each 6:30 AM mass for a week.
  - Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, District Free Throw contest at 10 AM, St. Mary's in Williamston.
  - Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, Italian American Club hosting dinner-dance, Livonia
  - Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, Major Degree, council 788
  - State Raffle tickets continue to be on sale.
- New Business:
  - PGK Chuck Graff – upcoming 40 Cans of Lent event, boxes to be staged at STA and St. Johns, counters are needed

**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; choir member Frank Tuma; 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 February 9, 2016 at **6:30 PM**. A closing prayer was offered and the closing ode was sung. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Railling, Recorder