

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS

Msgr. Jerome MacEachin East Lansing Council 7816

Minutes for July 14, 2020 General Meeting

7:30 PM

Grand Knight Paul Lacroix called the remote meeting to order at 7:30 PM. There were 13 members online and present when the meeting was called to order.

Meeting was opened by saying the Lord's Prayer.

Roll call of officers was forgone for tonight's meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

- Outgoing officers were thanked, and current rank of officers was confirmed.
- Trustee terms were reviewed. (next year the 3-Year moves to 2-Year, the 2-Year moves to 1-Year, and the 1-Year will be retired)
- Grand Knight confirmed individuals willing to remain on committees as Service Program Personnel and is seeking additional volunteers.
 - Roster:
 - Grand Knight Paul Lacroix
 - Deputy Grand Knight Paul Gadola
 - Chaplain Fr. Gordon Reigle
 - Financial Secretary Dave Myer
 - Chancellor John Schwend
 - Recording Secretary Tony Rohac.
 - Treasurer Arthur Weber
 - Advocate John Ingraham
 - Warden Luke Gray
 - Inside Guard Mike Wooley
 - Outside Guard Brad Gagnon
 - One-Year Trustee Mark Meyer
 - Two-Year Trustee Tom Collisimo
 - Three-Year Trustee Mike Gardner
 - Membership Director Mark Meyer
 - Recruitment Mike Mackin
 - Advocate John Ingraham
 - Liaison 4th Degree John Ingraham
 - Community Director
 - Family Director
 - Faith Director Deacon David Zygmontowicz
 - Life Director Pat Dillon
 - Health Services Director Chuck Graff
 - Program Director Mike Green

- Grand Knight described 788 Council flag retirement and receiving a check for \$200 from Gorsline-Runciman Funeral Home for burning their flags. Gorsline-Runciman will continue to join us in flag burning utilizing their Town fire pit and will help with publicity and to pay for ice cream social after burnings,
 - Annual giving reviewed
 - Recipients/charities:
 - Giving Tree Farm (Tootsie Roll Drive)
 - Special Olympics Area Eight (Tootsie Roll Drive)
 - Beckmann Center (Tootsie Roll Drive)
 - Moore's Living Center (Tootsie Roll Drive)
 - Diocese Handicap Ministries (Tootsie Roll Drive)
 - Rainbow Homes (Tootsie Roll Drive)
 - Peckham Vocational Center (Tootsie Roll Drive)
 - STA - Respect Life Committee
 - St. Vincent de Paul Society - SJCS
 - St. Vincent de Paul Society - STA
 - St. Vincent Catholic Charities
 - Advent House
 - Mother Teresa House
 - Haven House - ECC
 - Cristo Rey Center
 - St. Thomas Aquinas Church
- A little over \$9,000 was donated only about \$2,000 less than what was donated last year. Partially due to controlled expense for Fish Fry and no \$1,500 annual Convention.
- Parish Update
 - Averaging 110 to 120 mass attendance at STA
 - Averaging 60 St John
 - Live streaming week day masses and will continue until Bishop's dispensation ends
 - Alternating live streaming Sunday mass between churches
 - Outreach mass to continue
 - Funds have been raised to purchase equipment to record outreach mass in HD for Dioceses
 - July 24th Concerts In The Park(ing Lot) following Q &A at St Thomas mentioned(See Church website for more info)
 - Outdoor movie night possibility
 - Dedication and blessing newly renovated Marian Garden August 14th or 15th
 - (New statue to be installed in area prepared for by one of Scouts)
 - Recruitment Goals
 - Member Management quota is 12 but Grand Knight would like to set goal at 24 equaling 2/month
 - Hopes to recruit a dozen this fall and a dozen just after Christmas
 - Maybe do a presentation about Knights at Masses

- Could do an exemplification in church after a mass online
- After breakfast or fish fry presentations was suggested
- Putting brochures in pews and should be in book racks
- Should check closet to make sure brochures are up to date
- Could possibly do our own council brochure

OTHER REPORTS

Treasurer

- Finished the year pretty good. Expenses were less because of no convention, parish picnic, no District Director stipend
- Incomes/Revenues were down
- Goal is to pay all expenses and give rest to charitable causes.
- Paul Gadola amendment 5% of beginning assets to be given away was \$1,940
- Over \$3,112 went to Parish.
- Take 10 fund ran about 88% and Sacred Heart Seminary was a little better
- Semi-Annual report was sent in.
- John Anton was thanked by several attending members and appreciation was offered by the Grand Knight for his 30 years acting as Council Treasurer
- Treasurer also wanted to remind us not to forget about Brothers in Need funds.
Asked that trustees get together to find a need to distribute excess funds.
Grand Knight mentioned a long range capital improvement plan was in process for the parish and that an art pavilion is included in that.

Financial Secretary

- Supreme says we have 256 members.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Prayers were requested for:

- Pope Francis.
- Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI.
- Bishop Earl Boyea.
- Bishop Emeritus Carl Mengeling.
- Fr. Jake Foglio.
- Fr. Mark Ingot.
- Fr. Gary Koenigsknecht.
- Fr. Jerry Ploof.
- Brother Bill Cleary.
- Brother William Derengoski.
- Brother Frank Goeddeke

- Debbie Engan, sister of PGK Chuck Graff.
- Anne Graff, wife of PGK Chuck Graff.
- Tammy Pruitt, niece of PGK Chuck Graff.
- 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.
- Brother Vern Johnson.
- Brother Paul Miller.
- Brother Christopher Niemela.
- Nancy Jordan, mother of Brother John Schwend.
- Phil Schwend, father of Brother John Schwend.
- Brother Mike Wooley.

Prayers were also requested for all men and women serving in the U.S. Forces and members of the Rosary-Altar Society and St. Vincent DePaul Society. We are also offering prayers for healing for the clergy and parishioners of the Catholic Church here and around the world.

Closed by reciting the Hail Mary. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Our next general meeting will be online and is scheduled for Tuesday, August 11, 2020, at 7:30 PM. Grand Knight will be sending invitations for the meeting closer to the date.

Respectfully submitted,
Anthony Rohac, Recording Secretary