

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Msgr. Jerome MacEachin East Lansing Council 7816**

### **Minutes for March 9, 2021 General Meeting 7:30**

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

Meeting was opened by reciting the Our Father and a prayer to Blessed Michael McGivney.

There were 14 members present when the meeting was called to order.

#### **Officers present:**

Grand Knight Paul Lacroix

Deputy Grand Knight Paul Gadola

Financial Secretary Dave Myers

Recording Secretary Tony Rohac

Treasurer Arthur Weber

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

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes for last General Meeting were reviewed and approved.

#### **Report of Admissions and Reading of Applications:**

No new applications.

#### **GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:**

##### **#1**

##### **Annual Blood Drive:**

An annual blood drive was held today March 5, 2021.

There were 48 appointments. The blood drive has been organized by Eric Sudol for over ten years. Grand Knight expressed a thank you to him for his outstanding commitment.

##### **#2**

##### **Fish Fry:**

We have completed half of the scheduled dates. In first three weeks we have sold over 1,000 meals. Customers are appreciate that we are doing a fish fry. Treasurer presented a on related income and expenses. It's been several years since we've had a fish fry that has performed as well as this year so far. Several customers have said they enjoyed the baked fish.

Girls Scouts have been selling cookies to ourcustomer and have been doing well.

### **#3**

#### **Tootsie Roll Drive:**

It was decided to have next drive on Columbus Day instead of Palm Sunday.

### **#4**

#### **State Convention:**

Father Gordon suggested that we help send Father Mike to the convention. It was voted to donate an additional \$750 to help offset his expenses. A second vote will be taken at next Officers meeting to approve.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Report was presented on income and expenses through end of February 2021. Income was from dues payments and first week Fish Fry. Majority of expenses were related to fish fry.

#### **Financial Secretary's Report:**

Grand Knight and Financial Secretary will be contacting members that have unpaid dues. Several dues are anticipated to be paid before an alert letter is sent out.

#### **Trustees Report:**

According to Worthy Trustee Tom Colosimo, there will be no men's East Lansing softball league games this year and he is checking to see if participants want to participate at Lansing or Delta township.

#### **Other Member Comments:**

Chancellor John Schwend suggested we have masses said for Past Faithful Navigator Tom Fox. Grand Knight decided to do that. Tom's funeral will be at St Thomas on Friday. Fourth Degree Honor Guard to be present.

Deputy Grand Knight acknowledged and thanked all who have volunteered their efforts at the fish fries. Grand Knight also expressed his thanks for their efforts and the smooth flow of orders provided to customers.

#### **New Business:**

The Grand Knight's term will be ending after the next 3 meeting and he asked the trustees to come up with a list of nominations for his position. Trustees also to take a poll as to who is interested in staying in their current positions or would be willing to be considered for another position.

The nominations should to be made at next April meeting and an elections to be held in May.

Prayer List was reviewed and updated.

#### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Grand Knight wants to acknowledge Chris Bergin and his efforts serving at fish fries, pancake breakfasts, and ushering at masses, etc... He suggested some type of memorial acknowledgement 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
- Fr. Mark Ingot
- Fr. Gary Koenigsnecht
- Fr. Jerry Ploof
- Fr Gordon
- Fr Matthew
- Fr Mike
- Past State Supreme Knight Carl A Anderson
- State Supreme Knight Patrick E Kelly
- Brother Chris Bergin
- Brother Bill Cleary
- Brother William Derengoski
- Brother Frank Goeddeke
- Debbie Engan, sister of PGK Chuck Graff
- Tom Fox
- 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 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.

Closed by reciting the Hail Mary.  
Prayer to Bishop Baraga.  
Meeting was adjourned at 8:40.