

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**East Lansing Council 7816**

**Minutes for September 9, 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 Mike Wooley moved to approve the minutes of the August meeting, seconded by Brother Russ Martin. Motion carried.

Prior to the General Meeting an induction ceremony of officers was held at 7 PM led by District Warden Dave Simon.

**ADMISSIONS REPORT**

- Waiting on word from potential transfers
- District Deputy reported no Councils to date had recruited any new members
- Recruiting is needed

**GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

- Charitable Contributions Thank You letters:
  - Our Lady of Grace Special Family Ministry
  - Special Olympics Michigan
  - Students for Life of Michigan
  - St. Johns - St. Vincent DePaul Society
  - Shared Pregnancy Women's Center
  - Beekman Center
  - Rainbow Homes
- September 2014 Events:
  - 13<sup>th</sup> – District 4 Golf Outing; Prairie Creek, Dewitt, registration 8 AM, \$60/player, chicken dinner included, \$25 hole sponsor, fundraiser for State Advocate Bill Chasse for state campaign
  - 14<sup>th</sup> – First Pancake Breakfast; doodle has been sent, need 2<sup>nd</sup> shift volunteers
  - 14<sup>th</sup> – Joni Harms Concert; to benefit St. Vincent Catholic Charities, notices were sent, concert was cancelled
  - 19<sup>th</sup> – Soccer Challenge; 3:33 PM STA soccer fields, volunteer request sent for assistance with registration and event, notice sent to school and church
  - 21<sup>st</sup> – Faith Formation Open House; STA, space for K of C table, need volunteers to man table after 9 AM & 11 AM masses
  - 27<sup>th</sup> – St. Francis Fest; Columbus Hall (council 788), 10 AM to 10 PM
  - 28<sup>th</sup> – Lansing Diocese 1<sup>st</sup> Degree; St. James (Mason), report at 1 PM
- Spelling Bee; materials distributed to STA, Council competition sometime in Oct./Nov., Diocesan competition is Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> in Mason, information sent to STA librarian
- Free Throw Competition; Council competition needs a set date, District competition is Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, chairman is Peter Bertsch

**OTHER REPORTS**

- a. Treasurer's Report:
  - August 2014 was a low key month, not a lot of activity
  - 2014 Parish Picnic; largest charitable event in giving back to STA community
  - Semi- annual audit has been prepared
  - Income tax has been filed using short form
  - Per capita tax due; billed on July 1st

- b. Financial Secretary's Report: nothing to report
- c. Trustee's Report:
  - o Announcement - Mercy Walk; fundraiser for Sacred Heart Mercy Health Care Center, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM, 9 AM registration, Sharp Park, Lansing
- d. Chancellor's Report: nothing to report
- e. Program Director's Report: nothing to report
- f. Unfinished Business:
  - o Display case update – contracted Gary from Mid-Michigan Glassworks
- g. New Business:
  - o Support for District Deputy Fund; funds are in the red, requesting local councils support
  - o Leftover Food from Picnic; possible Brothers night out at GK's house
  - o DGK Mark Meyer is working on upcoming newsletter; requesting parish picnic photos

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

Please send cards of support to Past Recording Secretary John Malloy at his home address.

Prayers were requested for the following:

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, and Tom Kinney (hospice). 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 October 14, 2014 at 7:30 PM. A closing prayer was offered and the closing ode was sung. Meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Railling, Recorder