



Knights of Columbus

St. Francis Assembly 2982

DeWitt, Michigan

April 18, 2017

1. Call to Order

2. Opening Ceremonies

Faithful Friar	SK Charles Irvin	present
Faithful Navigator	SK Jim Kraus	present
Faithful Captain	SK Jim Sigmon	present
Faithful Admiral	SK Bob Nieman	present
Faithful Scribe	SK Mark Kraus	excused
Faithful Comptroller	SK David Raeck	present
Faithful Purser	SK Gary Brya	present
Faithful Pilot	SK Terry Schaefer	present
Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK Ted Courter	absent
Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Fred Strouse	present
Faithful 1 Year Trustee	SK John Urbain	present
Faithful 2 Year Trustee	SK James Kurt	absent
Faithful 3 Year Trustee	SK David Buick	present
Faithful Commander	SK Jim Kraus	present

3. Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Meetings

Motion by Mallison and support by Sigmon to approved the March minutes as presented. Motion carried.

4. Report of Faithful Friar

Fr. Charlie reminded us of the good being done by the Order and to continue to “do good.”

5. Reading of Bills and Communications.

Bills –

- Jim Kraus - \$114.10 2017-2018 Raffle tickets.

Communications –

- Application for the Laingsburg parade on May 20.
- Raffle license for the 2017-2018 Assembly raffle.

6. Report of the Faithful Navigator.

- The 73rd Michigan District II Exemplification will be held April 22nd. I am sorry to say that we did not have any 3rd degree Knights commit to attending this event. This is troubling and a quite a disappointment as the home Assembly of the District Master. I am to blame as your Navigator and moving forward we will need to rethink how to approach recruitment.

The Assembly sold \$400 in ads for the Exemp – again missing our goal of \$500. The ad sales are vital to the operation of the District and we cannot continue to miss our obligations.

- We have following Color Corps call-outs:

Wednesday 4/19 – Priest Exemp at the Portland K of C Hall, report time at 6:00 PM. As of today there are 10 candidates attending and six of these men are priests. We need a good showing of Color for this event.

Saturday, 4/22 – District II Spring Exemplification at St. Patrick's Parish, 710 Rickett Rd, Brighton, report time 9 AM. If you are attending – let me know and the Assembly will cover your lunch cost. If your Ladies would like to attend, they are welcome and again the Assembly will cover the cost of the ladies program and lunch. I will need to know ASAP to make to call about the meals.

Sunday, 4/30 – Corporate Communion at St. Jude. Report time is 8 AM for the 8:30 AM Mass.

Sunday, 4/30 – 1st Communion Mass at St. Jude. Report time is 12:30 PM for the 1 PM Mass.

Sunday, 5/7 – Corporate Communion at St. Therese. Report time is 8 AM for the 8:30 AM Mass.

- The 2017-2018 raffle tickets are here and your help is needed in selling these. Please take a bundle, write your name on the sheet and hand those forward.
- The 2017-2018 calendar is on the table. Pay attention to the meeting dates as the Retreat Center schedule required some to be moved.
- On the table is the reservation form for the annual Mother's Day Dinner and Social on May 16th starting at 5:30pm here at the Retreat Center. I will need the RVSP's by May 12 to let the Center know about the meals. This will replace our May meeting.
- PFN Bob Nieman was kind enough to volunteer to do some shopping with the \$490.59 collected by St. Jude at the loose change Sunday for the homeless vets. Bob purchased personal care items that we will be donating. We will discuss under new business adding to this effort.

Calendar

- Apr 22 Spring Exemplification of the Fourth Degree
- Apr 30 Corporate Communion at St. Jude (report time 8 AM for 8:30 Mass). Or
First Eucharist at 1:00PM
- May 7 Corporate Communion at St. Therese (8 am report time)
- May 13 Living Rosary on Capitol Lawn at 2 PM (1 PM report time)
- May 16 Assembly Meeting and Mother's Day Social / Dinner – St. Francis 5:30 PM
- May 20 Laingsburg Parade – report time for the Color Corps is 10 AM,
- May 25-27 State Convention – Mackinaw Island

7. Report of the Faithful Comptroller.

Total Membership:	89	Paid:	63
Honorary Members:	15	Unpaid:	11

Trustees will be asked to call the unpaid members to resolve the 11 outstanding on their dues.

8. Report of the Faithful Purser.

Checking Account Balance:	\$ 468.46
Charity Checking Account Balance:	\$ 6,531.18
Money Market Account Balance:	\$ 3,554.23
CD on Deposit	\$ 12,065.58

9. Report of Committees

- Millionaire Party – Our next Millionaires Parties are: June 1-2, Reno's West and June 26-28, Reno's East.

10. Reading of Applications.

- N/A

11. Balloting for Membership.

- N/A

12. Unfinished Business.

- April Raffle Drawing: Four winners:
 - \$100 – DeShanda Benson
 - \$75 – Jim Rundburg

- \$50 – Max Feldpausch
- \$25 – Rich LaMay

13. Report of the Trustees

- N/A

14. New Business.

- 2nd nominations for Officers for 2017-2018. Read list. Conduct election. The following men were elected to led the Assembly for the 2017-2018 fraternal year:

Officers and Trustees (2017-2018)

Faithful Navigator	Pat Schneider
Faithful Comptroller	David Raeck
<i>Faithful Friar</i>	<i>Fr. Charles Irvin (appointed by FN)</i>
Faithful Captain	Jeff Archer
Faithful Admiral	Jim Kraus
Faithful Purser	Gary Brya
Faithful Pilot	Terry Schaefer
Faithful Scribe	Jim Sigmon
Inner Sentinel	Ted Courter
Outer Sentinel	Fred Strouse
One Year Trustee	Jim Kurt *
Two Year Trustee	David Buick *
Three Year Trustee	Bob Nieman
<i>Faithful Commander</i>	<i>Jim Kraus (appointed by FN)</i>

* Only the three-year trustee requires nomination and voting.

- 2017 Parades –
 - Laingsburg – May 20, 2017 @ 10 AM
 - Bath Days – August 5 @9:15 AM
 - St Johns Mint Festival – August 12 @ 9 AM
 - DeWitt Ox Roast – August 19 @ 8 AM

We committed to these parades and a chairman is still needed to oversee these events.

- We received \$490.59 from the Parish for the homeless vets and since this is a core mission of the Assembly, Bob Neiman purchased some additional items for \$139.41 for a total of \$630 in items. These will be delivered by to the Volunteers of America in Lansing for use with their homeless vet programs. Motion by Sigmon and support by Urbain. Motion carried.

- Bills:
 - Jim Kraus - \$114.10 2017-2018 Raffle tickets.
 - Michigan District II - \$ 250.00 Military Chaplain Fund (collected with dues)
 - Bob Godee - \$255.00 Holy Cross support (collected with dues)
 - Bob Nieman - \$630.00 Homeless Vets items (St. Jude pass-through of \$490.59)
 - Raffle Winners for April 2017: \$100 – DeShanda Benson, \$75 – Jim Rundburg, \$50 – Max Feldpausch, \$25 – Rich LaMay

Motion by Mallison and support by Sigmon to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

15. Report of the Third Degree.

WGK John Urbain, Council #7237 – April 20 blood drive at St. Jude has been cancelled.

Council #10907 – no members present to report.

16. Good of the Order.

People Sick and in Distress:

Fr. Charlie Irvin, Mgr. Sylvester Fedewa, Fr. Koenigshnecht, Mac Guinness, Tom Fabus, Dave and Paula Buick, Mary Ann Fedewa, Pat Strouse, Tom Mauro, Jeff Reed, Millie Wiese, Tom Pearce, Chris Brandell, Ginny Simon, Deacon Ted Heutsche, Art Lance, Kay Brandell, Terry Schaffer, Joyce Reed, for the LaViolette family on the passing of Lady Lois, for the St. Jude prayer line and Deacon Tom Feiten (St. James Parish, Mason).

17. Closing Ceremonies.

Color Corps practice followed the meeting