



Knights of Columbus

St. Francis Assembly 2982

DeWitt, Michigan

June 13, 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	absent
Faithful Admiral	SK Bob Nieman	excused
Faithful Scribe	SK Mark Kraus	excused
Faithful Comptroller	SK David Raeck	excused
Faithful Purser	SK Gary Brya	present
Faithful Pilot	SK Terry Schaefer	absent
Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK Ted Courter	absent
Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Frederick Strouse	excused
Faithful 1 Year Trustee	SK John Urbain	present
Faithful 2 Year Trustee	SK James Kurt	present
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 Kurt and support by Urbain to approve the April minutes as presented. Motion carried.

4. **Report of Faithful Friar**

Father Charlie thanked the Assembly for the luncheon following his 50th Anniversary and said he felt blessed to have the support of the Knights.

5. **Reading of Bills and Communications.**

Bills –

- Jim Kraus - \$122.00 Supplies – Lynch and Kelly.
 \$188.52 Mother’s Day Dinner items
 \$838.53 Fr. Charlie’s Anniversary Meal
 \$1,149.05
- Retreat Center - \$510.00 Mother’s Day Dinner (34 meals)
- Aces’s Gaming - \$1,624.00 June 1-2 Millionaire Party
- Reno’s West - \$500 June 1-2 Millionaire Party room rental

Communications –

- Thank you from Holy Cross Services for our donation of \$255 for religious education programs.

6. Report of the Faithful Navigator.

- The Color Corps attended the Corporate Communion of St. Jude on April 30th and at St. Therese on May 7th. None of the Council members of St. Therese attended the Mass and no future Corporate Communion are being planned at this time for their Council.
- Members of the Assembly Color Corps and many others from around the Diocese attended the 7th annual Living Rosary at the State Capitol on Saturday, May 13th. The event was well attended. You can look forward to this event in May of 2018.
- On May 16th, we held our annual Mother's Day and Social here at the Retreat Center with 34 attending including our Faithful Friar Father Charlie, the District 2 Friar Father Bob and the Director of the Retreat Center Fr. Dave. I believe everyone enjoyed the meal and the social that followed.
- The Assembly attended the Laingsburg parade on May 20th – special thanks to Todd Brown for getting the float ready and pulling it in the parade.
- The State Convention was held on May 25 to May 27 on Mackinaw Island and it was a busy time for us as the Host District. The Assembly's donation for the support of the Master's luncheon following the Living Rosary was appreciated by those attending.
- The Color Corps attended the Memorial Day Mass in the cemetery and this Mass was well attended with over 85 folks attending.
- Our Millionaire Party was on June 1 and June 2 at Reno's West and we raised \$2,920.00
- On June 4th, the Color Corps was at the 50th Anniversary of Fr. Charlie and Fr. Jim's Ordination. The men of the Assembly with the help of the Ladies prepared the meal for the approx. 300 folks attending.
- We had the sad honor of attending the visitation over the weekend and the funeral on Monday, June 12 for Monsignor Fedewa in Westphalia. Thank you for those who were able to help in the very warm conditions.
- We have following Color Corps call-outs:

Sunday 6/18 – Corpus Christi event at St. Therese following the 10:30 AM Mass. Report at 10 AM.

Saturday 6/24 – FaithFest, report at 5 PM to the Bethany House to dress for Mass. We will be escorting the deacons, priests and the Bishop from their vesting area to the altar, which is approximately 100 yards. Each honor guard will accompany a priest/deacon to a Eucharistic Minister location for Communion. At the end of Mass the honor guard will escort the deacons, priests and Bishop back to their vesting area.

- The 2017-2018 raffle tickets are here and your help is needed in selling these. We still have about 2/3 of the tickets to sell. I will be looking for help to man a table at St. Jude on July 8-9.
- The 2017-2018 calendar is on the table. Pay attention to the meeting dates as the Retreat Center schedule required some to be moved.
- The Fall Exemplification dates have been announced – the Lansing Diocese will be on Monday night, October 16 starting at 6 PM in Owosso at the K of C Hall. We need to start lining up candidates for this evening exemplification with our goal being 10 members. Everyone is needed to help make this happen. It is not too early to start asking men to join.

- The year-end reports have been completed and forwarded along to Supreme and the Master.
- It is with a sad heart that I report on the passing of Lady Pat Strouse on Monday afternoon. Please keep Fred and the entire Strouse family in your thoughts and prayers. Visitation will be on Wednesday from 5 to 8 at St. Jude and the funeral will be on Thursday at 11 with one hour of visitation beforehand.
- Dave Raeck's Mother died this past Sunday. Lorraine Raeck's visitation is tonight and her funeral is on Wednesday at St. Jude Thaddeus Parish (St. John the Evangelist Church), 614 Pine St., Essexville, where visiting will continue from 9:00 AM until the time of Lorraine's 10:00 AM Funeral Liturgy. Dave's Mother was 84 years old.

Calendar

- Jul 25 Assembly Meeting – St. Francis 7 PM (note: meeting date change)
- Jul 30 Corp Communion at St. Jude (report time 8 AM for 8:30 Mass)
- Aug 5 Bath Days Parade (line-up at 9:15 AM at Bath Middle School)
- Aug 12 St. Johns Mint Parade (details to follow)
- Aug 15 Assembly Meeting - Fowler Conservation Club (Wright Road)
Annual Chicken Dinner held by the Father Godez Assembly.

7. Report of the Faithful Comptroller.

Total Membership: 89	Paid: 59
Honorary Members: 15	Unpaid: 8
Pending Suspension: 1	Pending Transfer: 1

8. Report of the Faithful Purser.

Checking Account Balance:	\$ 1,000.69
Charity Checking Account Balance:	\$ 5,734.84
Money Market Account Balance:	\$ 3,554.53
CD on Deposit	\$12,069.65

9. Report of Committees

- The final Assembly Millionaire party for the calendar year is at Reno's East on June 26-28. Please contact Don Carlock to volunteer – you are needed to help.

10. Reading of Applications.

- N/A

11. Balloting for Membership.

- N/A

12. Unfinished Business.

- June Raffle Drawing: Four winners:
 - \$100 – Sue Raeck
 - \$75 – Barbara Diamond
 - \$50 – Mitch Raeck
 - \$25 – Bob Bishop

13. Report of the Trustees

- N/A

14. New Business.

- First review of the 2017-2018 budget for the Assembly. First vote tonight is needed with the 2nd vote at the July meeting. Motion by Russell and support by Brya to approve the first reading of the budget. Motion carried. Second approval required in July.
- Bills:
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 - Don Carlock - \$13.77 Flash drive for Millionaire Party records and forms.
 - Raffle Winners for June 2017
 - \$100 – Sue Raeck
 - \$75 – Barbara Diamond
 - \$50 – Mitch Raeck
 - \$25 – Bob Bishop

Motion by Buick and support by Russell to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

15. Report of the Third Degree.

WGK John Urbain, Council #7237 – Information to be presented at the Council meeting on 6/14.

Council #10907 – No members were present.

16. Good of the Order.

People Sick and in Distress:

Fr. Charlie Irvin, For the Soul of Mgr. Sylvester Fedewa and the Fedewa family, Fr. Koenigshnecht, Dave and Paula Buick, For the Soul of Pat Strouse and the Strouse family, For the Soul of Lorraine Raeck and the Raeck family, Tom Mauro, Jeff Reed, Lady Millie Wiese, Lady Sandy Watterson Tom Pearce, Chris Brandell, Ginny Simon, Deacon Ted Heutsche, Art Lance, Kay Brandell, Terry Schaefer, Tom Fabus, For the Soul of Fr. Don Potts and the Potts family and Joy Reed.

17. **Sir Knight of the Year**

An honor I have as your Navigator is the presentation of the Sir Knight of the Year award to one of our members. This is not an easy choice with the great work done by so many Sir Knights. But that being said, I can only name one man for this award and this year's Sir Knight of the Year is Don Carlock. Don has been the key to our continued Millionaire Party fundraisers for both the Council and the Assembly. Don is a great example of the how to be involved and make a difference in the Order.

Congratulations Don – Sir Knight of the Year.

As we have reached the end of the fraternal year, I want to thank each of you for your support of the Assembly and the help I have received from each of you to make my second and final year as your Navigator - a good year for the Assembly. We have helped our causes in many ways and worked to grow our faith in the process. I look forward to passing the gavel to Pat Schneider as I know he will continue to build on the successes for the Assembly and continue to help our members do the good work of the Order.

18. **Closing Ceremonies.**