



Knights of Columbus

St. Francis Assembly 2982

DeWitt, Michigan

March 14, 2017

1. Call to Order

2. Opening Ceremonies

Faithful Friar –	SK Charles Irvin	excused
Faithful Navigator	SK Jim Kraus	present
Faithful Captain	SK Jim Sigmon	absent
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	excused
Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Frederick Strouse	present
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 Brandell and support by Urbain to approve the minutes as presented. Carried.

4. Report of Faithful Friar

None.

5. Reading of Bills and Communications.

Bills – None (see FN report)

Communications –

- Received a thank you from the Cardinal O’Hara Assembly in Ann Arbor for the donation to the Vets Pillow Fund.
- Application for the St. Johns Parade on August 12.

6. Report of the Faithful Navigator.

- In February - The Assembly did not meet due to attending the Valentine’s Day Dinner in Westphalia. At this dinner, we quickly met to approve the following business items:

- *Millionaire Party (Feb 9-12) Onosso Poker Hall. The event grossed \$4,197 and we netted \$2,331.75. A great event and my thanks go out to Don Carlock and men that worked the event.*
- *Innovation Asset Solutions - Room Rental \$932.62*
- *Ace's Gaming - Party Costs \$932.63*
- *Kent Weiss - Chalice folders \$300*
- *Jim Kraus - Stamps \$49*
- *The donation of purchase of Vets Heart pillows for the Ann Arbor VA Hospital. These pillows are given to patients recovering from heart surgery to help when they need to cough. Each pillow is embroidered with the KofC logo.*
- *Assm 0489 - Heart Pillows \$250*
- *Annually we are asked to support Michigan District II with donations to the following groups or causes – Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration of Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Operation Patriotism (a cause with be supported in each of the Dioceses later this year), Ads in the souvenir book for the spring exemplification (full page ads for the Assembly and the Retreat Center).*
- *We budget support for the Faithful Navigator to attend the State Convention and represent us. This year, I'm attending as part of the State Council's team so we discussed supporting the District's luncheon for the Color Corps following the Living Rosary instead. This was approved.*
- *Mich Dist II - Poor Clares \$50, Oper. Patriotism \$250, Exemp Ads \$200, Sponsorship \$700 (total \$1200)*
- *For the 2nd Annual FaithFest – we were once again asked to support the fireworks. We budgeted \$750 for this cause (down from \$1000) as all the Assemblies in the District and the Councils in the Diocese have been asked to support this cause as well.*
- *Retreat Center - FaithFest Fireworks \$750*
- *Four Sir Knights have asked to join the Color Corps and as we have budgeted to cover the cost of the regalia for new members (with the understanding the regalia remains the property of the Assembly) – Terry Schaefer was issued a check to place the order. The other men are Pat Schneider, Jeff Archer and Bill Pearce.*
- *Lynch and Kelly - Regalia (Schaefer) \$522.75*
- *Dave Buick – (Dick Ash's Chalice and Fred's replacement cape \$422.90)*
- *Raffle Winners - February*
 - *\$100 – Mary Barnes*
 - *\$75 – Christopher Feldpausch*
 - *\$50 – Libby Braun*
 - *\$25 – Tony Koller*
- *The 73rd Michigan District II Exemplification will be held April 22nd in Brighton, hosted by the Monsignor Herman P. Fedewa Assembly 2050. The Exemplification and Ladies Program will be held at St. Patrick's and the Mass and Banquet will be held at St. Mary Magdalen. This will be a one-day event and we will need all of the officers to plan on calling the third-degree members to invite them to finish their journey. We need at least 5 men to meet our quota.*
- *The Assembly needs some help selling ads for the Exemp souvenir book – forms are here. We have sold \$300 and we need at least \$500 in sales to meet our quota.*
- *District Marshal Phil May died unexpectedly on February 18. Approx. 60 members of the Color Corp attend the visitation and 40 members were at the Funeral Mass.*
- *Mark your calendars - the Poor Clare Nuns of Perpetual Adoration have once again invited Michigan District II to participate, in Color, in their Corpus Christi Mass and televised Procession at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, Alabama. This will take place on Sunday, June 18, 2017 – additional information will be forthcoming.*

- State Deputy Challenge - At the 2016 Michigan State Winter Meeting, our Worthy State Deputy, Kenneth B. Unterbrink, issued a challenge to all leaders and former/past leaders of the Patriotic/Fourth Degree (as well as separately to leaders and former/past leaders of the Knighthood/3rd Degree). The Worthy State Deputy has called on all current and Past Faithful Navigators and Assembly Officers, to recruit at least one new Knight by the State Convention on Mackinac Island in May. As leaders, we need to show leadership in recruitment and help grow the Order.
- We have Corp. Communion scheduled on April 30 at St. Jude – at 1PM the Parish 1st Communion Mass is being held. Decision on attending both or not.
- RVSP Report was filed with Supreme for our support of seminarian Kevin Hufhagel.
- We received \$490.59 from St. Jude following their “loose change Sunday” collection for the homeless veterans. PFN Neiman agreed to do some shopping for personal care items to donate. Once these are received, we will arrange to get them donated.

Calendar

- Mar 28 Fr. Irish 25th Anniversary – St. Jude (Color Corps is needed at 5:30 PM for 6 PM Mass).
- Apr 18 Assembly Meeting – St. Francis 7 PM (Second Nomination and election of Officers).
- 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 – 8:30 AM Mass.
- May 13 Living Rosary on Capitol Lawn at 2 PM.
- May 16 Assembly Meeting and Mother’s Day Social / Dinner – St. Francis 6 PM
- May 25-27 State Convention – Mackinaw Island

7. Report of the Faithful Comptroller.

Total Membership:	89	Paid:	59
Honorary Members:	15	Unpaid:	15

8. Report of the Faithful Purser.

Checking Account Balance:	\$ 1,425.96
Charity Checking Account Balance:	\$ 7,180.59
Money Market Account Balance:	\$ 3,354.08
CD on Deposit	\$ 12,063.58

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.

- March Raffle Drawing:
 - \$100 – Stephanie Adams
 - \$75 – Steve Relyea
 - \$50 – Tim Trimmer
 - \$25 – Roger Bair

13. Report of the Trustees

- N/A

14. New Business.

- First nominations for Officers for 2017-2018. April's meeting we will have the 2nd nomination and election due to not having a formal meeting in May. Sir Knights that have accepted nomination for elected office are:

Faithful Navigator	Pat Schneider	
Faithful Comptroller	David M Raeck	
Faithful Friar	Fr. Charles E Irvin	<i>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	
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One Year Trustee	James Kurt *	
Two Year Trustee	David Buick *	
Three Year Trustee	Robert Nieman	
Faithful Commander	Jim Kraus	<i>appointed by FN</i>

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

- Decision on repeating the raffle as a fundraiser? This year will net \$2560 (14 unsold tickets) and I project \$2840 next year assuming we sell all the tickets (\$3000 in winnings, \$60 license, \$100 tickets, etc. Motion by Kurt and support by Urbain to continue with the raffle. Motion carried.
- We have been asked to support the District Marshal's again this year with a stipend that is used for their travel and expenses. Motion by Urbain and support by Schafer to support the Marshal's fund for \$100. Motion carried.
- Spring Exemp basket for the Ladies Program. We have budgeted \$100 per exemp to help Lady Amy with the cost of basket.
- 2017 Parades –
 - Laingsburg Parade – May 20 @ 11 AM
 - Bath Days – August 5 @ 9:15 AM
 - St Johns Mint Festival – August 12 @ 9 AM

○ DeWitt Ox Roast – August 19 @ 8 AM

- Bills:
 - Bill Currie - \$100.00 Marshal's fund.
 - State of Michigan - \$60.00 2017-2018 Raffle license.
 - Amy Kraus – \$100.00 Exemp basket.
 - State of Michigan - \$100 and \$150 for Millionaire licenses (June 1- 2 and June 26-28)

 - Raffle Winners for March 2017
 - \$100 – Stephanie Adams
 - \$75 – Steve Relyea
 - \$50 – Tim Trimmer
 - \$25 – Roger Bair

Motion to pay the bills by Urbain and support by Brandell. Motion carried.

- Other New Business?

15. Report of the Third Degree.

WGK John Urbain, Council #7237 – Update given. Blood drive – April 20th.

SK Brandell, Council #10907 – Pancake breakfast on April 30th.

16. Good of the Order.

People Sick and in Distress:

For the soul of District Marshal Phil May, 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, Deacon Ted Heutsche, Art Lance, Kay Brandell, Terry Schaffer, Joyce Reed, Fr. Bob Irish.

17. Closing Ceremonies.