

# 150<sup>th</sup> Celebratory Committee

**Notes from January 18, 2016 meeting: (Jan. 12 meeting postponed due to weather)**

## **Members present:**

Les and Maxine Myers, John Armock, Jim Pitsch, Fr. Steve, Harriet Sult, Jen Pals, Chris and Denise Stephens

## **Agenda:**

1. Welcome
2. Opening Prayer
3. Solidarity Meal, Deacon Dean
4. Michigan Milestone Plaque
5. Michigan Catholic Choir
6. US Flag from Michigan's Capital Building
7. Catering for July 31 dinner
8. Hosting Jan. 26 meeting with the Diocese
9. Other
10. Closing prayer
11. Next meeting dates – January 26, 2016 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Feb. 2 @ 6:30, March 1 @ 6:30

## **Solidarity Meal:**

- Deacon Dean is planning this (he was not able to attend due to weather)
- The meal is to bring awareness to third world countries (Rice Bowl countries)
- The meal will be similar to that of the chosen country and a free will offering will go to Catholic Social Services
- The meal is planned for after the 5 PM mass on February 13
- Can we display/project photos/information from said country? Ask Deacon Dean

## **Michigan Milestone Plaque**

- The Historical Society of Michigan honors the heritage of organizations/businesses with this plaque
- Custom-made of cast aluminum (15" x 20") finished in a deep blue for an organization.
- For a non-profit the cost is \$495 + Tax + \$20 shipping = \$544.70
- The money is available in our budget and the committee is in favor of applying for this plaque
- We need to have a document proving/verifying the founding date of the parish
- GERALYN has asked the KZOO diocese if they have such documentation
- DENISE will ask GR Diocese as we were established in that diocese

## **Michigan Catholic Choir**

- The parish was contacted by Daniel J. Schmier to bring this choir to our parish

- They are scheduled/confirmed to come to the 5:00 PM mass on May 21, 2016.
- They do not expect to be fed, but some parishes do offer to do this for the 40-50 members
- The Visitation hall has been reserved for this dinner and Denise Price is checking her schedule for catering
- The local K of C may be willing to help serve this dinner

### **US Flag from the MI State Capital Building**

- The flag is an outdoor flag and it was given to the Parish Council to decide how/where to display it.

### **Catering for July 31 Dinner**

- 300 tickets – to be sold ahead of time
- 1:00 pm (after 11:00 mass)
- 2 meats
- Jim Pitsch will check with Therese Keil of St. Sebastian to see if she is still available and with Mike Lou of Kzoo if she is not
- John Armock will check with Bob Wagner of the K of C who is a caterer.
- They will let us know their findings before the next meeting so that we can get them scheduled ASAP

### **Hosting the Jan. 26 meeting with the Diocese**

- Jim Pitsch will host (Chris and Denise need to be out of town)
- Chris will send Jim the agenda for the meeting
- Harriet will help with introductions
- Harriet will confirm what AV/technology items they may need
- Invited guest from SMV are
  - Deacon Dean
  - Fr. Chuck Fischer
  - Margie Steffes
  - Pam Laperna
  - Rayleen Rose
  - Fr. Thomas Hack
  - Don and Harriet Sult

### **Other**

- Jim Pitsch is waiting for Mary Whitford to take office to invite her to deliver the 150<sup>th</sup> proclamation from the state at our July 31 dinner
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### **Things to do:**

- **Things to add to next meeting agenda:**
  - Time capsule
  - Picnic plans – July 30
  - Dinner plans and catering – July 31
  - Selling t-shirts, hats, etc
- **Raffle tickets**

- Sell at pancake breakfast on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Feb.
- Sell at K of C breakfasts
- **Check with Diocese staff to see what AV technology they may need - Harriet**
- **Feb 13 Solidarity dinner - check with deacon about displaying pictures - Denise**
- **Have Geralyn get us an amount we have available in our budget - Denise**
- **Reserve Hall for Choir's dinner - Visitation is reserved for May 21 after 5 PM mass**
- **Check on Caterers - Jim and John**
- **Check with Denise Price for May 21 Choir Dinner - Denise**
- **Invite Raeleen Rose to Jan. 26 meeting - Denise**
- **Get Jan. 26 agenda to Jim - Chris**
- **Application for Plaque - need documentation verifying date - Geralyn and Denise**
- **Work on the Proclamation from the Governor - Jim**
- **List of people that may not be able to buy raffle tickets for Fr. Hack. - Gerald**
- **Confirm details on Rosary Walk with school - Denise**
- **Historical write-up for bulletin - Sandy**

**Ongoing Things to do:**

- **Invites with "Save the Date" magnets to Priest, Bishops, Nuns, etc. - Denise**

**Budget amount is \$4259.13 (3245 from Raffle, 1014 from pork dinner)**

**Denise Price is available and scheduled for May 21 Choir dinner**

**Special meeting with diocese January 26 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM**

**Next meeting date February 2 @ 6:30, March 1 @ 6:30**