

St Clare of Assisi Men's Club Minutes, Sept 8th, 2014

In attendance--45 Members, 0 Priest and 3 officers

Meeting Called to order – 7:49 pm

Opening prayer lead by Bill Cannon followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

We welcomed 2 new Members Guy Gunlti and John Murphy to the Men's Club

Treasury report read by Jeff Meyer – there was a motion to accept By Bill Cannon - 2nd by Don Benjamin and the report was accepted by the members.

Minutes from the July, 2014 meeting read – there was a motion to accept By Don Benjamin- 2nd by Don Brien and the minutes were accepted by the members.

NEW BUSINESS / Open Floor

-Mary Jinkerson has asked if the Men's Club would be willing to cook again for them after their Annual Special Needs Mass on October 5th. We will be happy to so a signup sheet went out and we need the cooks to be there at 11am for burgers and dogs.

-Memorial Rock Committee-Had members Identify themselves. They will meet before the next meeting and report their suggestions.

-Jackie Stewart has pointed out that there are some upcoming classes for Protecting God's Children and if we have enough interest she could possibly get a class at Saint Clare of Assisi. Since we are working around Parish children we are required to have participated in a class by the Archdiocese. If you need more information about class opportunities please contact Don or Jackie Stewart.

-We are sponsoring Donut Sunday this coming Sunday September 14th. Please make sure to wear your Men's Club Shirt to Mass and help out with the Donuts, coffee and 50/50 ticket sales at the Mass you normally attend. A signup sheet went out but we need everyone to help out and to make a good showing this Sunday. We are selling 50/50 tickets after the Mass so bring your tickets I handed out and sell them this Sunday. Jeff Meyer pointed out the average 50/50 prize is usually \$4000-\$5000. So make sure to buy your tickets as well.

-Barry Burke reminded the members that someone usually asks the Sisters to say a prayer for good weather. We had some volunteers that would ask the sisters for their assistance again this year.

OLD BUSINESS

-Memorial Stone committee. The stone committee has not met yet. Bill Cannon suggested we have an annual Memorial Mass One Saturday every year. He pointed out that The Knights have a special Chalice presentation for Knights who have passed beyond a certain degree level and that we could combine our ceremony with theirs this coming Saturday. There was a little discussion led by Barry Burke as to whether or not we should always combine Men's club events with Knights of Columbus events that may have gotten some vigorous and passionate debate. Some members spoke up and said we could be

blowing things out of proportion many Men's Club members share dual membership with the Knights so their belief was that it was of no concern.

-Oktoberfest-Matt Mansfield gave us an update on the logistics and requirements of the event. This year as we have in the past few years we will ask all members to sign up for a work shift during the night or for cleanup after the event. With your sign up for a short duty and your paid dues you will be able to buy a \$5 wristband that grants you the privilege of free drinks and a meal during the event. He also asked everyone if they would please stay around after the event to help tear down and do a quick clean up. The Beer tap will be turned off during the cleanup and turned back on following for a post event wrap-up meeting that all members are invited to. Thursday October 2nd at 6pm we will begin set up.

-Oktoberfest Sponsorships were discussed by John Steinbrecher. John announced that we have several sponsors returning again this year like Henty and Associates, ARC, Drury, Bommarito, The Dean team and some new sponsors like Mathnasium and a sponsorship from new member John Murphy's company Neff Press. Please keep working on more sponsorships. All of the profit from Oktoberfest comes from sponsorships and 50/50 proceeds historically.

-Oktoberfest Silent Auction- We have some great baskets donated by Alibi, Meyers' Wife's Spa, the corner pub and some Memorabilia donated by Dave Franklin and the Washington Nationals. Keep looking for interesting items that can be donated to be auctioned off. The more interesting items we get the more interested people will be to bid.

- Oktoberfest Chairman Mansfield stood up again to thank all of the committee chairs and those who have already donated a lot of time and effort to help again this year. He said we are in the final stretch please sell your 50/50 tickets and bring in a sponsor.

Miscellaneous

- The next men's club meeting will be September 29th, 2014.

- Remember to pay your dues at the September 29th meeting for the year 2015 if you are not one of the 32 who have already.

-Please update your email info with the Secretary. I am getting several rejects due to bad email addresses. If you changed your email please let me know the new one.

- Fortunately we only have two remaining members of the military overseas. Lou Pavia Sr. asked if we wanted to continue to give a care package. The membership felt we should continue to give until everyone is back home safe. Deadline for donations is the November meeting.

50/50 – \$110 won by Jim Bannes, Rico Red won by Russ Morrison, Callahan Swill won by Jim Bannes.

Special prayer intentions were heard and Jim led the closing prayer.

Meeting Adjourned 9:49 pm.

God Bless us,

Bob Hymes

St. Clare of Assisi Men's Club Secretary