

## ***St Clare of Assisi Men's Club Minutes, August 1, 2016***

In attendance: 34 Members, 1 Priest, 2 officers.

Meeting called to order at 7:43 p.m. by former President Steiny, standing in for President Meyer.

The Opening Prayer was led by Fr. Hector and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Members: Chris Klaus joins the Club after moving from South City and the St. Joan of Arc Parish.

Minutes from the July 11th meeting were read by Secretary Engelbart. A Motion to Accept the Minutes as Read was made by Paul Groevert on behalf of Bill Cannon, with a second by Jim Bannes. The Minutes were accepted by all 34 members present. The Treasurer's report was read by VP Croghan, filling in for Treasurer Jeff Meyer. A Motion to Accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Tim Newberry on behalf of Bill Cannon, with a second by Greg Guntli. The Treasurer's Report was accepted by the proud and the very few members in attendance.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Appropriations Committee:** The committee approved requests from the July meeting. Rummage Sale proceeds will be donated to the Youth Group as an annual recurring donation. The Culinary Team will receive a \$100 total gift as a thank you for the hard work and service they perform at the many functions where the Men's Club provides the food. This will be an annual recurring gift.

**Softball Team:** Nick Underwood is to update on need for a \$200 sponsor.

**Men's Club Yearly Activity Overview Project:** Webmaster Don Benjamin's work on this looks good. The website lists events, projects, gifts and donations that are supported by our Club. This list allows new and old members a chance to see the good works we perform throughout the year. It was suggested that Curt Meyer ask Monsignor if the Men's Club can give a pulpit talk to coincide with an ad in the bulletin and our Donut Sunday to be hosted by the Men's Club in September. This can help with recruitment of new members.

**Hoedown:** This event popped up during the meeting. Don Seiler though was nominated again to chair the event - continuity is a goal. The "yays" had it in a vote to continue Seiler's stewardship of this winter event. A hardy round of applause was given for the absent Don Seiler.

**Grandparents' Breakfast:** 15 members worked the event to make it a success. The fellas were done working by 12:15 p.m. Everyone was served at the breakfast at a cost of \$1.58 person (that's the price of a loaf of bread and a cup of water - The Culinary Team shined as President Meyer would say). Phenomenal effort and worthwhile event.

**Parish Needs:** We have reached out to Monsignor to see where the funds raised in the 2015-2016 year could best be used. President Meyer has asked him for the top 5 needs of the Parish so that a \$10,000+ gift and donation can be put to good use. The Appropriations Committee will look at this and make a recommendation on the Parish need to fund and will be put to a vote on the floor of an upcoming meeting..

### **NEW BUSINESS / OPEN FLOOR**

**PTO Ice Cream Social:** The back-to-school event is held on August 16. Men's Club members and officers that are present should recruit new members. Bill Cannon will provide Fitz's Root Beer.

**Parish Account Centralization:** The Archdiocese is requiring all Parish organizations to give up sole control of their accounts. All Parish organizational accounts and will be consolidated and held all together with the main Parish account. Within that account will be an accounting for our Club's funds, expenses and disbursements. Officers will attend a meeting on August 10 to discuss details and

concerns at the Rectory. They will share information and more details of this process at the next meeting. This is a mandate, so it is going to happen.

**Oktoberfest:** Chair Matt Alexander reported that the 50/50 chair, Greg Guntli, is distributing tickets to members for presale now. Important that we sell these 50/50 raffle tickets before the event to ensure it is a successful fundraiser. Members are not required to sell 50/50 raffle tickets but we know you want to do your part! So sell them or buy them. VP Croghan is spearheading the auction, so give him cool items to use - Day planners with a pen included would be great! H.S. volunteers needed - get your teen kids to perform labor at this event. LP tanks are needed. Bring them full and they will be returned full. WRISTBANDS ARE \$10 for all the beer YOU can drink and one meal for You ONLY, but dues must be paid and YOU must work a shift at Oktoberfest. A sign-up sheet will go around at the September 12 meeting. No worky, no bracelet. Pitchers of beer will not be handed out to members unless they're working in the kitchen or carnival area.

**NEW INCENTIVE ANNOUNCED:** Greg Guntli announced that the committee for this event has decided that ALL MEMBERS WHO SELL TEN OF THE 50/50 RAFFLE TICKETS by October 3rd will get their DRINK BRACELETS FREE. You'll still have to work a shift at Oktoberfest, but you won't have to pay the \$10. SELL

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**Protecting God's Children:** Everyone that volunteers, including at Oktoberfest must take this class. For those members that still need to take this mandatory class, Secretary Engelbart will send out an email to get a class scheduled at our Parish.

**Parish Feast Day:** The sign up sheet was sent around as we need members to work the event from 3:00 to 6:30 p.m. Men's Club supplies the meat for this potluck event. More Fitz's Root Beer to be provided by Mr. Cannon

**Dollard Hall Flag:** We are looking to rededicate the flag at the hall to coincide with a reopening of the hall with the new and improved gym and bathrooms. Discussion was had as to possibly obtaining a flag that once flew on the State Capitol's grounds. Mr. Colin Kaepernick will not be invited to the ceremony, nor will this infamous QB ever be extended an honorary Men's Club membership.

**Open Mic Night:** Bill Cannon discussed a fundraiser that will be held at his daughter's house. Party at her Mansion in the City with food and drink provided. Cost: \$50/person. Great home. Great event. Tentative date is September 25. Also, Entertainment books are available for \$30. Each book sold nets the Club \$6.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Thank you notes from the Rummage Sale Committee and Deacon George Smith were read by VP Croghan.

Website can be used to update your contact info and also to request agenda items at meetings.

Volunteer for clean up. Pick up after yourself/table following the meeting.

**Raffles:** Fr. Hector drew the winning tickets: 50/50 of \$80 (Parkway Bob); Rico Red is named after Fr. Rico who passed away at the Rectory in 2007 and was a champion of the Club (Jason Hoffman); Callahan Swill was named so because Fr. Rico said Monsignor Callahan drank swill (Jim Bannes).

**Next meeting: September 12, 2016 with a likely start time of 7:42 p.m.**

Remember to pay your annual dues of \$20.

Text, email, use face-to-face communication skills or buy a carrier pigeon to send invite to a friend to join us at the next meeting.

Special prayer intentions were offered and heard. The closing prayer was given by Parkway Bob.

Meeting adjourned at a timely 8:40 p.m.

God Bless,

Josh Engelbart

St. Clare of Assisi Men's Club Secretary