

St. Clare of Assisi Men's Club Meeting Minutes: January 9, 2017

In Attendance: 4 Officers; 1 Priest; and 33 Members.

Meeting came to order at 7:50 p.m. President Curt Meyer led the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Inauguration Day has come and gone since the last meeting. VP Croghan and Secretary Engelbart fondly recall their own confirmation hearings just 8 short months ago when the witnessing crowd assembled was huge and historic in Dollard Hall. Secretary Engelbart ascended to the all-important role of meeting minute scribe and he carried out those duties by reading the December minutes. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Paul Goevert on behalf of Bill Cannon. The motion was seconded by Mike Pool. The motion was carried unanimously.

Thereafter, Treasurer Jeff Meyer -- who hardly recalls his own confirmation vote due to his many sun-baked tropical vacations -- provided the membership with his Treasurer's Report. He updated the members on the cost of the Santa Breakfast and gave a total for the Men's Club's gifts and donations for the 2016 calendar year. [Side Note: The "Cayman's" account might have been referenced but no audit numbers were made available and The Meyer Bros Administration refuses to release past tax returns]. Nonetheless a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by D. Callahan. Bill Deemer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Old Business:

NCAA National Championship Football Game Telecast: Everyone was invited to stay and watch the game and play Steiny's Square Game.

Bylaws Handbook: Executive Committee will revise and bring back the new and improved By-Laws for a membership discussion and vote.

SCA Teachers Luncheon: Food was ordered from Clancy's and Lou and the Gang coordinated.

Parish Family Christmas Donations: Two families in need were identified and Men's Club donated to each \$500 in gift cards and \$100 for a great Christmas meal. Thank you to MC Hammer for delivering the gifts to the families and Parkway Bob for preparing the dinners.

Christmas Party: Thanks to VP Ivan Croghan for coordinating the 50/50, door prize raffles and wrist bands. Don Seiler set us for the loud speaker. Parkway and Steiny took the toys donated for Toys for Tots to the Assisi House. Fellowship and fun were had by all.

Memorial Rock: Former member Syl Bax who passed during Christmas was remembered. Syl and wife, Marge, helped with decorating the Church at Christmas for years. Mike Weshauer and Bill Deemer have given us the bid for adding a plaque and additional name plates. This involves picking up the rock and installing the plaque (\$1265) and making name plates (\$148). The cost is the same as before with no increases made by Monumental Finishers. Appropriations committee reviewed and recommended the expenditure. Motion in favor of accepting the recommendation was made by Barry Buerke and seconded by Keith Laurie. The motion carried unanimously.

Hoedown: Family Chicken Dinner and Square Dance to be held on Saturday 1/28 from 6 pm to 10 pm. VP is chairing the event and Paul Goevert gave an update on the food. Ad to go out in Friday folder. Sign-up sheet for volunteers went out during the meeting. Needs for the event were discussed.

Military Gift: Appreciation from our troops that received the gifts were forwarded and delivered to the membership.

New Business/Open Mic

Christmas decoration take-down in Church: A sign-up sheet was distributed for help to be provided on 1/11 at 7 pm in the church. Take down is led by Lou and Joanne Pavia. Greg Jackson at Wunderlich Fiber Box Co. created and donated 15 heavy duty boxes for decoration storage to replace the water damaged boxes.

10th Annual Catholic Men for Christ Conference: Event is Saturday 2/18 at the Touhill Performing Arts Center at UMSL. Usually runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Miscellaneous Announcements:

Thank You notes were read by VP Ivan: Cards received from MC Hammer, George Smith, Mrs. O'Donnell, Jennifer Lupo, Ms. Lenatta, and Father Hector.

Protecting God's Children: All members who have not taken this class must do so to help out with any event. See Jackie Stewart in Parish Office for registering for the class.

Go to the Website for Up-to-Date Men's Club Information and to see meeting minutes, request an agenda item for the next meeting, or update your contact info.

Clean up tonight and next meeting is **February 6, 2017, to start promptly at 7:30 p.m.** or at the normal and customary time of 7:45 p.m., maybe 7:50 p.m. but never later.

Monthly raffle drawing: 50/50 winner was Mansfield (\$80); Rico Red won by Guntli and Callahan Swill was won by George.

Special prayer intentions were made, especially for Syl Bax and his family, and a closing prayer was led by Matt Mansfield.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Note: Second month in a row these minutes are two pages or less.

God Bless the Club,

Josh Engelbart, Secretary

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