

## ***St. Clare of Assisi Men's Club Meeting Minutes: March 13, 2017***

### **March Madness Edition**

In Attendance: 4 #1 Seeds (Officers); 0 Honorary Captains (Priests); and 44 Varsity Members.

The jump was at 7:39 p.m. The members opened with a prayer, followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

No diaper dandies were recruited. But MC Hammer and Fr. Hecktor did join the impressive collection of seasoned, grizzly veterans by half time.

The minutes from the February meeting were read by The Secretary. Dennis Callahan pivoted, threw an outlet pass to Bob Hartman who dribble-driven to deliver an alley-oop and the motion was slammed home with authority.

The well-tanned and well-traveled Treasurer Jeff Meyer gave The Treasurer's Report. The Hoedown's final profit numbers were \$400. The current balance of the Club's account was given. Tim Newberry inbounded to Ed Kertz on a backdoor cut for 2 and the victory, denying Cinderella's upset bid.

Critical stat of the night: Bill Cannon was kept off the boards, leaving his prowess for accepting motions effectively neutralized.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Bylaws:** Backcourt violations are trying to be cleaned up and the Executive Committee hopes to deliver the goods soon.

**Memorial Rock Expansion:** Status was updated. Dave Szukalski was recognized as a deceased member who needed to be memorialized on the rock along with Dave Wied and Syl Bax.

**Golf Tournament at Aberdeen: May 20<sup>th</sup> is the date.** 67 days away. Walnut Grill will once again donate food and labor for dinner. Eric Vogel is the person to thank at Walnut Grill as this is well over a \$2,000 donation. Please stop by and thank him for his tremendous support. A \$600 donation was made by John Murphy's Neff Press. Way to be clutch performers.

**Phil Fick:** Nominations for this prestigious award are next month. It's our equivalent of being elected All-American.

**Officer Nominations:** We need a new Treasurer and VP. Please now these positions are not one-and-done commitments. April meeting: nominations; May meeting: election; June meeting: Officer succession.

**Luke 18 Dinner:** Thank you to those that helped. Mike Alexander called for T-O baby. He would like to point out that if you have children in the school who have a particular event going on and there is a full court press for manpower/help, then possibly you should consider doing the dirty work -- set the screens, be scrappy for the loose balls, and crash the glass.

**10<sup>th</sup> Annual Catholic Men for Christ:** Curt Meyer passed on that it was a great event and 20 or so members occupied the lane. A special recruiter, Steve Wood, gave an inspirational speech on

“Making Catholics Out of Berzerkers.” It was brought to the club’s attention a Georgetown University study found that 63% of kids are leaving the Catholic Church between 10-17 years of age because they cannot resolve the faith with “reality.” It’s a call to lead our families. One member strongly suggested that fathers and mothers can help by guiding youth to Catholic colleges and universities that actually teach and instill the values of the Faith.

**School Stage Set Up:** Thanks to those that helped.

**Fish Fry:** 4-7 p.m. during Lent.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**SCA School Picnic:** Men’s Club was asked by PTO to BBQ at the end of school event on 5/26. This will be at the school (not Bluebird). 8 a.m. to Noon. Men with kids in school try to drop a few dimes and assist!

**SCA Mulch Day:** Sign-up sheet went around to help mulch the gardens on 4/22 at 8:00 a.m.

**Happy Birthday:** The Club sang Happy Birthday to MC Hammer and Fr. Hecktor.

**Open Mic:** Bill Cannon shared that many of you may want to consider attending the upcoming Catholic Women for Christ conference. Okay, maybe he brought that up so you could tell your wives and daughters. Dennis Tyberend asked Men to consider coming to pray for the end of abortion on March 29 in front of Planned Parenthood as part of 40 Days of Life. Get rid of the Jail from Carnival. Bonfire anyone? Barry Buerke provided an update on his cancer treatment and it is going well. Please pray for his continued success in treatment and battle against this disease!

### **Miscellaneous Announcements:**

VP Ivan Croghan read thank you notes from Jake Smith, Seminarian; Jim Broom, Luke 18 committee; and kids that attended Luke 18 retreat.

D it up - every member needs to take the Protecting God’s Children Class.

Website: update your information on the website, request agenda items for the next meeting, read old minutes.

Clean up your table and assist in kitchen

**Next meeting is April 3 @ 7:30 p.m. Watch Party for the NCAA Basketball Championship!**

Monthly raffle drawing: Dennis Callahan completed a three-point play (name in the minutes x 3) by winning the 50/50 (\$105); Rico Red winner was Don Sieveking and Callahan Swill was won by Joe “Pistol Pete” Karlovich. Paul’s Bag-O-Stuff won by Barry’s son.

Dennis Keller, new Director of Music Ministry, was introduced to the membership.

Special prayer intentions were made and a closing prayer was led by Dennis.

The meeting avoided Overtime with the buzzer beater coming at the 8:47 p.m.

God Bless this Men’s Club,  
Josh Engelbart, Secretary,  
St. Clare of Assisi Men’s Club