

St. Luke Catholic Men's Club
General Membership Meeting Agenda
Monday, JANUARY 19, 2015 at 7 PM
St. Luke School Cafeteria

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: President Michael Raign called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

OPENING PRAYER: The opening prayer was led by Chaplin Larry Fuentes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Larry Dreyer.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS: Patrick Davenport

BIRTHDAYS (JANUARY): Several individuals walked up and stood before the membership to be recognized for their January birthdays. The oldest: Raymond Olvera who is 87 years old. The youngest: Mark Resendez is 51 years old. Members sang happy birthday to them and they were each given raffle tickets by John Martinez.

INTRODUCTION OF COOKING TEAM: Tony Paniagua introduced the cooking crew. He thanked Frank, Russell Phillips, Steve, Larry Fuentes, Rudy Martinez, Eddie Cruz, Rico Silvas and Augie De La Cruz.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented. There were no corrections or deletions.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Joe E. Groff handed out copies of the Treasurer's report. There were no questions or corrections on the submitted treasurer's report therefore it was approved as presented.

CLUB CORRESPONDENCE: Sec. Gilbert Ortiz gave a brief overview of the correspondence that was received. Basically much of the correspondence was for Rico Silvas. Students from Sandra Day O'Connor high school wrote to him reminding him of the Gerlach livestock and auction. In addition there was one invitation to club members for the Fandango Under the Stars Event.

REPORTS OF APPOINTIVE OFFICERS:

Budget and Finance: Larry Ridder stated that he had no report.

Chaplain: Larry Fuentes stated that he had no report.

Inventory Control: Rico Silvas stated that he had no report

Procurement: Russell Phillips stated that the club had previously borrowed a pressure washer for cleanup after the wild game dinner and that the club purchased a new pressure washer for our own use.

Membership: Todd Shannon stated that we have 265 members total, one new member, 46 lifetime members, 13 mail out members and 75 unpaid members. He urged those that have not paid to do so.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Communications: Henry Garcia had no report.

Web master: Committee Chairman John Hardin stated that he had no report

Christian Services: Wallie Fields could not make the meeting tonight therefore David Keller has been filling in for Wallie. David stated that Wallie produced a four page report with about 37 names on it and David was not going to read the whole report. This report was emailed to all club members to read. Some of the members that are homebound have commented very positively that they want to get an update on those members who are in the report and David encouraged all to read this. David spoke about four or five members from this report and said that we are excited to welcome back Lou Davis who is present tonight. David also mentioned that the membership was sent an email that mentioned that several of our members have had some illnesses and deaths in the family. He mentioned that Henry Garcia's sister passed away during a heart operation and her services are pending. David gave Henry the club's condolences. He also stated that yesterday evening he went to a rosary for Don Jungman's wife which was held in Castroville, Tx. David said that he took Wallie Fields to the service and burial in La Coste, Texas. He said that Don thanked the club members for their prayers and thoughts. Don's wife had fallen and broken her hip the week of Christmas and her health went downhill after that. David also visited Dr. Rockwood who had a procedure done last Friday because he was losing blood. He went back to Methodist Hospital where a herniated upper intestine was found and was sealed. He has been much better since then. He still has a long way to go and has been in the hospital now for approximately 50 days. David said that Dr. Rockwood wished everyone in the club well for the wild game dinner and believes that Dr. Rockwood will not be able to make the WGD but his sons will be there at his table. David spoke to Marvin Berg this evening and said that his wife entered hospice because she has been struggling with Alzheimer's at home. Our prayers and thoughts are with Marvin in these tough times.

Entertainment: Matt Mora gave his final report on the dinner dance and stated that once again the dinner dance was a success. He mentioned that next year the silent auction will not be a part of the dinner dance because it just does not fit in this venue. However, this year we did make \$500 from the silent auction. He stated that we were in the red only \$759.10 and to pull off an event like this and be in the red for only that much is pretty good since the dinner dance is a membership appreciation event which thanks every one for all their hard work not only in March at the wild game dinner but also for their hard work throughout the year. Matt thanked all his team who helped put on this event by email rather than having face to face meetings. He thanked Ralf Meneses, RC Contreras, James Benavides, Tony Paniagua, Joey Groff Junior, Todd

Shannon, Alfredo Avila, Joe Piña, Rico Silvas and Russell Phillips. He stated that the president of the club did a great job at the dinner being presidential.

Public Relations: Mike Raign stated that the position of Public Relations Person is still open and if the club has anyone in mind that is interested in this position to let him know.

Benevolence: Ralf Meneses stated that he had no report. Mike Raign stated that we received a very large envelope from I Care of San Antonio which is a charity that was given money during the sharing of gifts. The letter in the envelope was very nice pointing out that one of the young girls had received eyeglasses as a result of our contribution. Information about I Care of San Antonio was enclosed with the letter. All this is upfront for anyone wishing to look through it.

Wild Game Dinner 2015: Don O'Brien stated that we have 47 days before the wild game dinner. He stated that he was glad to see a lot of faces here at the meeting tonight that we normally don't see and he is excited and pumped up because of the number of people here today. He said that preparations are well underway and he cannot thank enough his co-chair's Matt Mora and Russell Phillips and acknowledged that these guys have done an outstanding job and they have made his job a lot easier. He asked Terry Sparrow if we have plenty of deer and he responded in the affirmative. He asked Brett Ingram if plenty of corporate tables have been sold to which he answered that there are still a few tables left to be sold. Don asked the membership that if anyone knew of anyone who wish to purchase a table to let them know some tables are still available.

Don also stated that the club has coordinated with the St Luke's school and everything is going fine because the school will be out Friday at noon on Feb. 6, 2015 and spring break for them begins that Friday. This is great because last year they were not closed on Friday but rather were in session all day which caused a logistical problem for us.

He asked if there was anyone who has not signed up for a committee and if you are interested or want to change from one committee to another to see him or Russell or Matt and they will try to get you into a committee that you wish to work on.

As far as the game dinner itself is concerned the format will be the same. The problem we have is that normally we have the Boy Scouts help us cleanup Sunday morning but a lot of them will be on a camping trip. Last year very few people showed up to cleanup Sunday morning so the few that did show up were saddled with a lot of work. So there are two things that we're going

to do for the cleanup on Sunday. One is to tap into the young men at Central high school because they need service hours so we are looking to get them to help us cleanup on Sunday morning. Also we're going to have the trailer that Joe Groff senior lends us on-site all weekend so there's no reason that after the dinner on Saturday night if you are on a committee and done for the day that you can't break the stuff down, clean up and load the trailer. It makes such a huge difference to get that done Saturday night versus coming in here dragging on Sunday morning when there's only a few of us to put it all away. So if you are going to be here Saturday night having a good time, help us on this.

I emailed all committee chairmen and many of you have emailed and confirmed that you're going to be Committee Chairmen. This afternoon I sent out last years lessons learned so it might be a good idea for you to peruse that and see what you can improve upon. Those of you who are involved in the menu planning process are going to have a meeting at my house this Wednesday, January 21, 2015, at 7 PM. If you're part of the team on prize acquisition the meeting will be on Thursday at 7 o'clock. Sausage making will be at Ike's place on February 21. Ike has hosted this the past 10 or 12 years. Terry Sparrow will do the pit cleaning on February 7 with our new power washer at the storage place on Grissom Road. Also I sent out an email to chairmen for a meeting on Tuesday, February 17 at the parish center if you're part of the income or operations group. This will be our walk-through meeting. Two days later on Thursday, February 19, if you're part of the food, beverage or serving line groups the meeting will be held at the parish center at 7 PM. If you can't make a meeting on your appointed date you can switch if you wish. Again we will have some lessons learned after this year's dinner and that will be in March. I handed out copies of the budget and the board approved this last Monday.

Don went on to explain the budget to the membership including our gross income and our expenses. We project that this year we will net approximately \$88,000 and 25% goes to the parish for the gym and our net income will be about \$66,000. So whenever Larry Ridder compiles all the numbers we will report back in June.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:

Scholarship: R. C. Contreras had no report.

Congratulate New Lifetime Members: Mike Raign announced that one member, George Delgado, was not present at the dinner dance to receive his lifetime membership award. George walked up to the front of the membership and was given his award. George stated that he appreciated the enthusiasm of the club membership and stated that he has been part of the club for the past 20 years and stated that his oldest daughter began her first year at S. Luke's pre-kinder and he has been a member with the club since then. He says he enjoys coming to the meetings to be compadres with everyone. He said that during the time he has spent here he has had a lot of work and it has been a lot of fun and he just enjoys coming to the meetings and hanging out with the membership. He expressed his wish to be able to hang out with the membership many more years and have fun.

Audit: There was no report.

REPORTS OF AD HOC COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:

Logo Attire: Todd Shannon stated that if anyone wishes to purchase a shirt or T-shirt to visit with him.

Seminarian Dinner: David Keller stated that the seminarian dinner was on target for January 30, 2015 and we're good to go.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Pres. Mike Raign stated that there was a discussion at the executive board meeting about doing a strategic planning get-together and James Benavides is spearheading this. We are going to get that up and running after the wild game dinner in the spring of this year. James stated that at this point we are seeking a location for this meeting. Mike stated that preferably it would be held at a location where we are allowed to serve adult beverages and to accommodate the number of men involved.

Mike also stated that in the spring we are going to activate a bylaws revision committee which at this time is comprised of himself, Mike Raign, Don O'Brien, David Keller and Ralf Meneses.

NEW BUSINESS:

Announcements for the Good of the Club: Rico Silvas stated that Paul Aleman and Rico's grandson, Sean, have been chairmen of all the cooking crews and they're trying to get new people involved. We need someone for February so if anyone of you would like to have a crew to cook like we did tonight we sincerely appreciate anyone stepping forward to do that. If interested please see Rico Silvas or Sean Silvas to work out all the details.

Mike stated that Daniel, St. Luke's seminarian, was here tonight and asked him to come up and say a few words. Daniel stated that it is his first time to attend a club meeting and is very surprised at all that the club does. He stated that he attended a seminarian dinner here at St. Luke's and he has wonderful memories of it as it was one of his first experiences here in San Antonio. He stated that he is from Monterrey, Mexico, and came to San Antonio for a seminar in hopes of becoming a priest for this archdiocese. He stated that he has been here since August 2014 and normally Mondays are his free days and usually is away from the parish all day but he did not want to miss the opportunity to be here today especially to thank the club in advance for the seminarian dinner that is scheduled for this month. Daniel stated that he feels this is something very important for the seminarians and that his seminarian brothers are looking forward to this dinner. He stated that he will be at the seminarian dinner and thanked the club for all we do. Daniel stated that he will be praying for all the activities that we have and that it makes him proud that within the church we have this type of group that really impacts the church, people, and our families. He wished the club members a happy new year and that many blessings will come to us during 2015.

Raffle: John Martinez spearheaded the raffle tonight and was assisted by George Delgado. The winners are as follows:

- First ticket: John Hardin
- Second ticket: Joe Gomez
- Third ticket: Charlie Urbanowich and Mark Resendez
- Fourth ticket: Dan Lozano and Tony Paniagua
- Fifth ticket: Arthur Chapa and Don O'Brien

Six Ticket: Aldolfo Regenes, Larry Dreyer, Sam Noriega

Seven Ticket: Larry Ridder, Brett Ingram, Don O'Brien

Eighth ticket: Larry Dreyer, Don O'Brien

Ninth Ticket: Adam Garcia, Mark Resendez, Amadeo Ortiz

Motion To Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Robert Camacho. The motion was seconded by Larry Ridder. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:35p.m.

Closing Prayer: Chaplin Larry Fuentes led the membership in the closing prayer.