# ST. LUKE MEN'S CLUB GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MONDAY JANUARY 25, 2021

### ST. LUKE FAMILY CENTER

OPENING PRAYER: Rudy Martinez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Reno Puentes

Minutes of The Previous Meeting: No corrections noted. Motion to accepted minutes made by Gilbert Ortiz. Seconded by Rudy Martinez.

<u>Club Correspondence</u>: Steve Dupnick absent due to Covi-19.

### Welcome New Members and Guest:

Robert Phillips sponsored by Eddie Paniagua. Retired from the fire department. He served four years in the US Navy.

## Birthdays for January:

Rite Hite-age 68

Dr, Anthony Quante-age 65. He stated that his brother, Steve Beisner, fell and suffered debilitating injuries and recently began to respond to treatment. He underwent neck surgery and is showing some improvement by moving his right leg and toes. He asked that club members keep him in our prayers.

<u>Introduction of Cooking Team:</u> N/A

#### REPORT OF APPOINTED OFFICERS:

Budget & Finance: Larry Ridder: No report.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Roy Lopez: No report.

<u>Chaplain</u>: Larry Fuentes: Not present. Todd announced to members that Steve's wife was diagnosed with Covid-19 and Steve is in quarantine at home. Also Todd advised everyone that Larry Fuentes is retiring from his duties as Chaplain and Scholarship Chairman and asked if anyone was interested in accepting one of these positions to contact him or Larry.

<u>Inventory Control</u>: Peter Binkley advised that he purchased one license registration for one of the club's trailers.

**Procurement**: Russell Phillips: No report.

Membership: This position is opened. Anyone interested, call Todd. Todd disclosed that dues are now being accepted. Forms can be obtained at the entrance, completed and submitted with the required \$10.00 membership yearly fee. Presently, there are 298 members: 209 are unpaid members. Todd advised that the club will now meet regularly on the third Monday of each month.

<u>Webmaster</u>: John Hardin: John submitted his report via email. It included information that all changes are kept current on the website such as meeting dates, general meetings minutes, deceased member list and organizational charts, etc.

<u>Christian Services</u>: Luis Garza: Luis advised that Mrs Lange, wife of Hubert Lange, passed away and Mass intention has been set up for 4/22/2021 which is her date of birth.

He stated that he needed sympathy cards. David Keller will order some.

Luis said that Marvin Berg fell while recovering his mail from his mail box, broke his back and now uses a walker to get around. He is receiving physical therapy to deal with his medical issue.

Luis announced that Wallie Fields mother-in-law passed away recently. Wallie and his wife had cared for her the pass nine years.

I received word from Luis that Brett Ingram has shoulder surgery. I called Brett and he confirmed that he underwent shoulder surgery 2/5/2021. He was diagnosed with a torn rotator cuff and ruptured tendon. He is doing well and will endure physical therapy.

I spoke with Henry Garcia who informed that he was released from the hospital, after his hip replacement surgery, on February 5, 2021 and is now home. He is feeling better but still dealing with the surgical pain which is mitigated with "happy pills" medication. His rehabilitation will be handled by therapist visiting his residence rather than having to travel to a facility.

<u>Public Relations</u>: James Benavides: He stated that he is working on the letter regarding the cancellation of the Wild Game Dinner and replacement of the information of the 30 gun raffle. He is conferring with Mike Lutz on the details.

<u>Wild Game Dinner</u>: Mike Lutz: He stated the he is some what overwhelmed. Before tonight, deposits on the raffle total \$22,400. Total expenses are \$29,157.85. He reminded all members that anyone who wins a firearm, and does not want that particular firearm, the individual can trade it for another firearm which he prefers. No ammo will be included to the winner of any firearm.

Mike stated that he wants to he wants volunteers to assist him in selling raffle tickets at certain locations in Hondo, Tx in order to expand our market for future years. Mike emphasized that the club needs to acquire all email addresses and phone numbers because we want to sponsor this type raffle on a yearly basis and in order to be successful, the club needs to develop new clientele. Several members have brought in tickets (and money) tonight that have been sold. Our goal is \$150,000. Mike stated that with the money that came in today we are in the profit margin. Mike encouraged all to reach out to him with questions etc. Cut-off date is May 8, 2021, which is the day of the drawing. For the next several minutes, Mike fielded questions from members and answered them according to the satisfaction of members. Matt Mora said that he and Russell Phillips will be attending the Gerlach Auction this weekend.

Benevolence Committee: Ralf Meneses: Not present. Todd stated that he spoke with Ralf and physically he is not doing well lately. Todd asked the club to keep Ralf in our prayers. Ralf had no report.

**Sharing of Gifts: OOC** 

<u>Christmas Dinner Dance</u>: Gilbert Ortiz: OOC

**Entertainment**: Steve Kelly: No report

Dove Hunt: Mike Lutz: Augustine de la Cruz: Rick Hite: OOC

Scholarship: OOC

Reports of Ad-Hoc Committee: N/A

Logo / Attire: James Benavides: N/A

Old Business: None

<u>New Business</u>: Two items in this category. First, help is needed in taking down the Christmas lights this Saturday starting at 9AM. The trees decorated this year looked beautiful thanks to Rudy Martinez and his crew.

Also, Ken Green passed away.

Additionally, the Knights of Columbus will host their Golf Tournament on May 24, 2021. Anyone interested contact Reno Puente.

Mike Lutz mentioned that he would raffle off one "30 Gun Ticket" at the general meetings due to the great response from members who are selling tickets.

Announcements For the Good of The Club: Plans are been developed for a fishing trip for April 30, 2021 to May 2, 2021. Anyone interested call Steve Dupnick. Several persons responded with positivism in light of this announcement.

Gilbert Ortiz asked all to keep Henry Garcia in their prayers. Henry had hip surgery this morning and his wife Rosemary call to let me know that he had endured the surgery and is in recovery. Due to Covid-19, visitations are limited to the family.

Motion to Adjourned: Motion was made by Gilbert Ortiz. Motion was seconded by James Benavides.

Closing Prayer: Rudy Martinez recited the closing prayer.