

ST. MATTHEW MEN'S CLUB

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Minutes - St. Matthew Men's Club

November 7, 2024

Our October meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by President Greg Simonson. There were approximately 37 members in attendance. Vice President Steve Lealou opened with a prayer asking our Lord for wisdom and welcoming His presence among us.

Greg opened the meeting with a brief welcome and thanked all for attending. He briefly explained our new agenda format.

Stacy was out so Treasurer Bob Olson could not provide a Treasurer's summary.

Announcements:

- a. **Communications:** Pete Kirschling provided a very nice "thank you" note from Jim Reinkober for Pete's attendance at his wife's celebration of life and the donation to St. John's Homeless Shelter. Thank you, Jim and thanks Pete, for representing the Men's Club.
Tom Schumacher revisited a memo from the Diocese regarding what can and cannot be on-site at fund raising events.
- b. **We All Rise:** Norb Hockers is heading this up and will organize the volunteers.
- c. **Breakfast with Santa:** Date is December 8th after both Masses. Greg is looking for volunteers to help with prep on December 7th and to assist with setup, serving and cleanup on December 8th. More on that will be coming.

New Business:

- a. **Action Regarding - Swan Club Auction:** A motion was made, seconded and approved to reserve Thursday March 6th on the Swan Club books. Discussion regarding deposit and whether that would be refundable if the event did not happen. Norb Hockers met with the Swan Club, and they estimated our cost would be \$13 - \$17 per plate. Norb will check on that when reserving the date. Discussion ensued regarding ticket prices, number of tickets, etc. We would plan on having a live auction of 10-15 items, have bucket raffles and silent auction if we could get enough items.
- b. **Action Regarding - Approval of October Meeting Minutes:** Motion made, seconded and approved.

Discussion

- a. **Fund Opportunities - Car Auction, Small Raffle, Bratoberfest:** The question of continuing fund raising events to support organizations we have in the past was raised to the members. Some ideas such as booyah sales were mentioned. Our mission statement was reviewed to support the decision that some fundraising is appropriate. Pete Kirschling noted that cohesion of the group is priority one; fundraising is secondary. It was noted that those types of events help bring us together and provide that cohesion. Marc Dorvinen noted that other Parishes hold booyah sales throughout the year. Norb Hockers made a motion to continue discussing other fundraising events. Motion was seconded and approved.
- b. **Note Regarding December's meeting/Christmas Social added to the agenda:** Greg noted he cannot attend.

Open Floor

Nothing

Veterans Presentation

Kim and Gail Nohr, Founders, Veterans 1st of NEW, Inc. gave a very insightful presentation on the services and support their organization provides for Veterans in our community. Men's Club members generously donated over \$600 to Veterans 1st of NEW! For more information on Veterans 1st of NEW you can visit

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Having no further business to tend to, a motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:53pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Hutchison
Secretary

Upcoming Events:

Next Meeting: December 5th: Christmas Social/Packers Watch Party

December 8th: Breakfast with Santa after both Masses