

St. Rita Men's Club Meeting

19 April 2007

The members combined the first part of the meeting with the women of the CCW for the purpose of coordinating parish events. The Joint Meeting was opened by Theresa Leo and Fr Tom Collins led the group in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America. Judy Rutland presented the plans for starting Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Rita Parish. There was a great deal of discussion and preliminary planning from the attendees. The first committee meeting is scheduled for 30 April 2007 at 0900 in the Administration Building and all of these details can be handled at that meeting. Frankie Frank announced that her granddaughter, Rachel White had been nominated to attend The National Youth Conference in Washington DC. Rachael needs funding sponsorship in order to attend. All members were asked pray that Rachel can attend and to consider sponsorship. Her presentation for the Speech Contest is scheduled for Tuesday evening 24 April at 1800 hours in the Freeport High School. All are encouraged to attend. The Silver Jubilee Celebration of the establishment of St Rita Parrish in May was outlined by Lynn Waddell. Tickets will go on sale soon for the Anniversary Adult Dinner Party on Friday 18 May 2007 at the Bob and Mary Rita Wish residence. Sunday, 20 May 2007 is the Church Family Picnic at Eden State Park following the 1000 a m Mass. The Men's Club has agreed to cook hot dogs and hamburgers at the picnic. All parishioners are asked to bring a side dish and drinks for an afternoon of food and family fun. On Tuesday 22 May 2007 the parish celebrates Saint Rita Feast Day and Father Tom's Ordination Anniversary with Mass at 1700 hours followed by a pot luck dinner, volunteer awards and the new release of the Saint Rita video. The members then moved the meeting to the hall way. Those in attendance included, Father Tom Collins, Don Corsten, Ross Leo, Robert Wish, Jim Mahan, Bob Borella, Joe Colello, Michael Klein, Paul LeBleu, , Gene Fowler, Fritz Lammers, Ed Carone, Ed Dougherty, Don Rutland, John Fox, Vern Quast and Dave Casey. The Treasurers Report was presented by the treasurer Vern Quast. There is a balance of \$2982.39. Bob Wish made a motion to accept the treasurer's report which was seconded by Ross Leo and the motion carried. The minutes of the last meeting on 15 March 2007 were read by the Secretary Dave Casey. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Bob Borella, seconded by Bob Wish and carried.

Old Business:

Bob Borella reported that the new ice maker, the refrigerator and the freezer are in at Panama City and awaiting delivery. Fr Tom commented that there was no need for a new refrigerator or a freezer and gave a number of examples outlining needs, wants and clutter. The food warmer, the steam table, the refrigerator in one of the portable buildings were all elaborated upon as examples of clutter not mention what would be found stashed in a freezer after a year of parish ownership. All that is needed is a new icemaker to replace the broken unit under the kitchen counter. The minutes from the last meeting were read to clarify the decisions and clearly stated that the ice maker was needed and a rebate for the refrigerator and freezer would be investigated. There is no rebate. Joe Colello made a motion to return the \$500 freezer donation to the Knights of Columbus. Paul LeBleu seconded the motion. No vote was called and the discussion went on and on. Fritz Lammers made a motion to table the freezer buy and the refrigerator buy after debate on the subject. John Fox seconded the motion which carried.

New Business:

Fr Tom requested that the Men's Club assist with moving materials from the garage and old storage sheds to the maintenance building. Don Corsten stated that the Men's Club would assist when notified of the date. He also stated that there was a request for the Men's Club to cook hot dogs and hamburgers at the St Rita Church Family Picnic at Eden State Park on 20 May 2007. Joe Colello made a motion to help with the cooking after discussion about the logistics for such an affair. Don Rutland seconded the motion which carried. John Fox, Don Corsten, Joe Colello, Mike Klein, and Bob Wish signed up to cook at the picnic. Eddie Carone and Joe Colello worked the 2008 Dinners calendar into the parish schedule of events as follows:

Monday, 14 January 2008	Snow Bird Breakfast
Friday, 18 January 2008	Fish Fry
Saturday, 2 February 2008	Pasta Dinner
Friday, 22 February 2008	Fish Fry
Friday, 14 March 2008	Fish Fry

John Fox made a motion to accept this dinner schedule for 2008 after considerable discussion. Fritz Lammers seconded the motion which carried. Mike Klein made a motion that the proceeds from the Pasta Dinner on 2 February 2008 be designated for the scouts as was done in 2007 with the scouts assisting with the dinner. John Fox seconded the motion which carried.

Ed Dougherty presented the options for the evening at Ebro scheduled for May 2007. After discussion of the options the majority of the club members selected Tuesday, 8 May 2007 by a motion from Jim Mahan which was seconded by Joe Colello. Ross Leo made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by John Fox. The motion carried and the meeting was closed with a prayer of thanksgiving by Dave Casey.