

**19 February 2009**

**St. Rita Men's Club  
February 2009 Monthly Meeting**

The Men's Club meeting is called to order by President Tom O'Hare. Tom O'Hare led the opening prayer.

Those present are:

Joe Colello Ed Carone Ed Dougherty Gene Fowler Chick Huettel Jim Kelly Jim Mahan  
Tom O'Hare Vern Quast Bob Wish Michael Klein

Minutes from the last meeting of 15 January 2009 were read by Michael Klein. Jim Kelly made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Vern Quast and carried.

Treasurers Report was presented by Treasurer Vern Quast. No Treasurers Report was presented at the January 2009 monthly meeting. The beginning balance from 18 December 2008 is \$1,584.84. (Note. This amount differs from the balance of \$1,539.62 reported at the 18 December 2008 meeting).

Balance from 12-18-08	\$1,584.84
Fish Fry profit 1-16-09	\$3,103.08
Pasta Dinner profit 2-7-09	\$1,304.37
St. Vincent de Paul Society donation	<\$2,500.00>
Balance	\$3,492.29

**Old Business**

Joe Colello presented the results from the first Fish Fry on 1-16-09 and the Pasta Dinner on 2-7-09.

Fish Fry 1-16-09	
Gross income dinner	\$4,811.00
50/50	205.00
Wine	183.00
Gross Income	\$5,199.00
Expenses	\$2,095.92
Profit	\$3,103.08
Pasta Dinner 2-7-09	
Gross income dinner	\$1,612.80
50/50	81.00
Wine	92.25
Donation	30.00
Gross Income	\$1,816.05
Expenses	511.68
Profit	41,304.37

Jim Kelly updated the progress of securing a transportation van. He showed Father Tom a 2006 Chevy G3500 15 Passenger Van with 66,000 miles that is available at a very reasonable price. The Van was found by Mike Klein and the information given to Jim Kelly. The Van was purchased by a local Real Estate development company as excess property in a recent land purchase. They have little interest in the vehicle and would consider liquidating it to the right buyer if taken as is. The interior carpet needs to be replaced. It can be

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bought possible for as little as \$2,000, however we must act quickly. Jim Kelly said he is waiting to hear back from Ryan at the Diocese Office to find out if it can be insured. Joe Colello made a motion for Mike Klein to offer up to \$2,000.00 to purchase the Van, seconded by Bob Wish and carried.

Jim Kelly said other Men's Club project priorities are the sun shades screens in the MSSR.

Joe Colello said the last two Fish Fry dinners are on 13 and 27 March 2009. Work Assignment will be e-mailed out. Ticket cost will be the same \$8.50 per plate. Please mark your calendars. Ed Carone reminded workers if you need to leave your station to attend Mass or Station of the Cross, please let your Team Leader know.

No other old business was discussed.

**New Business**

Chick Huettel presented a porcelain Baby Jesus figurine from Italy with glass eyes dating the 1800's bought by Irene Haliday. He made a motion for the Men's Club to donate \$116.20 and to present this figurine to Father Tom for use as the new Christ Child at Christmas. Ed Carone seconded and motion carried.

Tom O'Hare asked for discussion on the Pasta dinner proceeds. Ed Carone made a motion for the Men's Club to donate \$1,200.00 to St. Rita's Boy Scouts Troop 562 for their participation in the dinner. Motion was seconded by Joe Colello and carried. Tom O'Hare suggested the Scouts and Dads be invited to the next Men's Club meeting and the check presented at that time. Mike Klein will coordinate.

Chick Huettel requested the Men's Club support in relocating the confessional from the Cry Room to the recess niche in the south wing of the church. He has discussed this with Father Tom and has looked at old confessional in antique shops but is very expensive to purchase. He will submit a cost estimate. A tour was conducted to look at the space.

No other new business was presented.

Bob Wish made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Chick Huettel and carried. Tom O'Hare closed the meeting with a prayer.

End

Michael Klein, Secretary  
St. Rita Men's Club