

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Men's Brotherhood Meeting  
Minutes of March 12, 2011**

**Location:** St. Paul's Parish Hall

**Time:** 8:00 a.m.

<b>In Attendance:</b> Jim Gehring	Jim Grooms	Pastor Rod
Jack Frost	Randy Arndt	Ken Christie
Jerry Frankenfield	Ray Sylte	Frank Bentz
Mike Heyser	Morris Sampson	Don Umberger
Ron Mickley	Ken Keefer	Don Wilhelm
Daniel Heyser		

Mike Heyser prepared the breakfast.  
Pastor Rod said the blessing for the meal.  
Brotherhood President Jim Gehring led the meeting.

The following subjects were discussed during the business portion of the meeting:

***Reports***

- A. The minutes of the February 19, 2011 meeting were approved as written.
- B. Ken Christie gave the Treasurer's Report

***Old Business***

- C. Men's Annual Dinner – February 2011
  - Jim Gehring will send "Thank You" notes to Integrity Martial Arts.
  - Leftover food from the dinner was donated to the Grassroots shelter and delivered on Sunday, February 20, as part of our regular monthly meal.
- D. Yard Sale
  - a. George Mader will head up the sale on April 30
  - b. Ken Christie is enlisting volunteers for various duties and will bring a sign-up sheet to the next meeting.
  - c. Mike Heyser offered a motion that proceeds from the Yard Sale this year be used for purchase of playground equipment for St. Paul's Park; seconded by Ron Mickley. Approved by voice vote.
  - d. Randy Arndt mentioned that Maureen will also be selling jewelry and fashion accessories at the Yard Sale, with profits going to the Ghana Orphanage fund.
- E. Spring Clean-up
  - a. A tentative date of April 9 was set for the spring clean-up at St. Paul's, pending discussion with John Murphy.
  - b. (Subsequent to the Brotherhood meeting, this date was moved to April 16, which was also set as the date of the next Brotherhood meeting.)
- F. Brotherhood Officer Elections
  - a. The current Brotherhood Officers were re-elected unanimously.
  - b. President: Jim Gehring; Vice President: Jim Grooms; Treasurer: Ken Christie; Secretary: Randy Arndt
- G. Donations by Men's Brotherhood

- a. Pastor Rod gave an overview of work by three organizations which the Brotherhood has supported and which have sought donations: Lutheran Men in Mission; Sipes Orchard, an orphanage in North Carolina; and Oaks Outpost, a mission in Oklahoma.
- b. A motion by Ray Sylte to donate \$150 to each was approved by voice vote.
- c. A Brotherhood memorial donation of \$500 to Come Grow With Us, in honor of Dale Snyder, was proposed by Jim Grooms and passed unanimously.
- d. Don Umberger offered a reminder that Thrivent members should consider assigning their "Choice Dollars" to St. Paul's to support our work.

### ***New Business***

#### **H. Announcements**

- a. Jim Gehring asked for volunteers to announce the Spring Clean-up dates at upcoming services.
- b. Ron Mickley offered to do Thursday, Mike Heyser took early Sunday, and Jim Grooms said he would make announcements at late Sunday.

#### **I. Brotherhood Outreach and Activities**

- a. Jerry Frankenfield suggested opportunities for the Brotherhood to become involved in Habitat for Humanity/Thrivent Builds projects this year.
- b. Jim Gehring suggested several possible activities, such as a "date night" dinner event for couples and exploring group nights at Orioles or Baysox games for St. Paul's families this summer.
- c. Providing support for a St. Paul's presence at "Highland Days" was also mentioned.

#### **J. Ladies' Night Out Dinner**

- a. Date will be May 7
- b. George Mader is preparing the menu, featuring roast pork.
- c. Entertainment is to be provided by an Elvis impersonator.

#### **K. Easter Breakfast – April 24**

- a. Ray Sylte will be organizing the breakfast.
- b. Randy Arndt will again purchase raisin bread

#### **L. Church Events Calendar**

- a. There was considerable discussion about the way in which information about events at St. Paul's is often lacking or hard to find.
- b. Several suggestions for posting events in the bulletin were offered.
- c. The subject may be taken up and pursued by the Church Council.
- d. With regard to "mark your calendar" events, Ron Mickley said work will begin on a new photo directory for St. Paul's in September.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 9:31 a.m.

The next Brotherhood meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 16 at 8 a.m. Jim Grooms and Ken Keefer will provide the breakfast.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Arndt

Abbreviated by Tony Meoni