Minutes – St Joseph Society April 13, 2011

Carlos Juenke opened the meeting. There were 25 members present.

- **Opening Prayer(s):** Special intentions offered for the Halle Restoration Project. Carlos Juenke led the membership in the **Prayer to St. Joseph.** Heinrich Boenig then led the membership in singing the **Hymn to St. Joseph.**
- **Comments from the President:** President Carlos Juenke spoke to the membership about Kermit (Mike) Jenschke' contributions to the society. Mike Jenschke was appreciated for his dedication to St. Joseph's Society through his role in starting the annual Feast Day BBQ and his efforts during lean times to keep the society going. Carlos also offered thanks to volunteers in the Know Your Faith Series Rediscovering Catholicism.

Meal: Club Sandwiches, chips, drinks, provided by St. Joseph's Society.

Agenda: Carlos Juenke asked for a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Kermit Ernst moved to approve the meeting agenda. Butch Zenner seconded the motion. The resolution was adopted.

Old Business

Minutes: Wade Boone asked for additions or corrections to the minutes as presented by email, mail, and website. There were none. The minutes stand approved as presented.

Treasurers Report: Darin Holmes gave a summary report.

Profit and Loss for March, 2011:

Income – \$13,311.54 Expenses – \$8,248.27 Net Income – \$5,063.27 Treasurer's report stands approved as read.

New Members: Carlos Juenke appealed to the membership to encourage their sons and grandsons to join St. Joseph's Society, a long established tradition. He emphasized the need for recruiting younger members to energize the organization and ensure its survival.

BBQ Report:

Darin Holmes reported that the Feast Day BBQ held Sunday, March 20, 2011, grossed a record \$15,236 including proceeds from 810 BBQ plates served, 1540 raffle tickets sold, and \$1240 from the silent auction. Net after expenses, was \$10,375. Carlos Juenke thanked all members and others who volunteered for their outstanding support in this fund-raising effort.

Next year the BBQ is scheduled for Mar. 18, 2012.

Lenten Fish Fry

- Darin Holmes reported that through this point in time, we have served 1,760 meals, down 15% from last year. Last Friday 435 plates were served. Darin stressed that the purpose of the event is a community-building event, including non-Catholics. It is also intended to reflect the meaning of Lent. It is not a fundraiser.
- Carlos Juenke gave special recognition to Pat Kunz, Jeff Dittmar, Jeremy Itz, Bobby Sagebiel, and Butch Zenner for their tireless efforts in preparing outstanding meals for each Friday.

Halle Restoration and Capital Campaign

Carlos Juenke reporting for Jeff Dittmar stated that that the building committee after spending endless hours looking at plans, rejecting plans, etc. has selected the Koehler Co. to give us an itemized budget estimate for the project. They are not the contractors. Our schedule is as follows: 1. Agree on a plan, raise the monies, and start construction in Jan. 2012, as agreed to with the Church.

2. Finalize the plans for membership review and tentatively submit such to the membership in June.

- 3. Present the final plan to the public in July.
- 4. Follow-up presentation to family members 1 week later.
- 5. Cut off rentals when the project starts.

New Business

Scholarships

- Carlos Juenke reported that he and Tom Jung met with the selection committee and awarded two \$500 dollar scholarships to Lauren Dittmar, daughter of member Jeff Dittmar and Lesley Itz, daughter of member Clayton Itz.
- Gus Pehl asked why we did not award 3 scholarships as in the past. The issue was discussed but no action was taken in the meeting. *NOTE: the board reviewed past scholarships and agreed to give three as they had in the past several years. The third scholarship was awarded to Chris Harper, son of Robin and Jay Harper.

Summer Meeting Times

Members were asked their preference for changing the summer meetings to Sunday. The majority chose to keep meeting times on the second Wednesday of the month during the summer.

Calling Committee

Wade Boone called for volunteers to man new Calling Committee. The existing committee has been in place since 2009. Some members are unable to continue.

Because during the coming months the society will be very busy with a capital campaign, construction, and other important projects, we want to establish a new calling committee to keep members informed of important meetings and events.

The new committee members should be dedicated to making calls in a timely manner, establishing a good relationship with callers on their list, and... being persistent. Callers will be assigned 10 names. Please contact Wade Boone at 830-997-9722 or 830-370-1627 if you are willing to serve on the new committee.

Rediscovering Catholicism series is scheduled to begin after the BBQ in April. Wade Boone reported that the books have arrived. He also made assignments for presenters. They are as follows:

Know Your Faith Series -- Bobby Sagebiel gave a stimulating presentation of Part I, Chapters 1 and 2 of **Rediscovering Catholicism**, this year's study in our Know Your Faith Series. Kermit Ernst will present chapters 3 and 4 in the May meeting.

Closing Prayer – Special intentions offered for Rusty Rust, Kermit (Mike) Jenschke, Marlene Nebgen, and Mike Reavis. The membership prayed the Our Father.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Wade Boone, Secretary Approved by Carlos Juenke, President