

St. Matthew Court 367
Meeting Minutes - January 9, 2012

At 6:33 Chief Ranger Don Danneker called the meeting to order with an opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. Officers present: Don Danneker CR, Dennis Dugan VCR, Mike Shirek CT, Sue Poppler RS, Wayne Gilbertson TR, Joe Stevens TR. Also in attendance were Bob Schmeckel SCT and Agent Larry Poppler.

Reading of the Minutes from October 17, 2011, by Sue Poppler RS.

Motion 1-2012 was made by Joe Stevens and seconded by Mike Shirek to accept the minutes as read. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report by Mike Shirek CT: 2011 4th quarter receipts - \$1,432.66; expenses \$1,790.00. Checking balance \$2,163.18. Matching Funds savings: \$700.08.

Motion 2-2012 was made by Dennis Dugan, seconded by Wayne Gilbertson to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Website report given by Mike Shirek: the website continues to be an effective and economical way to communicate to our members. The visits and hits show a traffic increase over the previous two years. Annual cost for the website is \$115.00.

Motion 3-2012 was made by Joe Stevens, seconded by Dennis Dugan to continue the website. Motion passed.

Motion 4-2012 made by Joe Stevens, seconded by Larry Poppler to pay the bills. Motion passed.

Report on essay contest given by Mike Shirek: contest plan is to have notices mailed by the end of January to approximately 143 eligible youth.

Report on Feeding God's Children given by Mike Shirek: The event will take place on Thursday, May 3, 2012, at Feed My Starving Children in Eagan, 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. Thirty volunteer slots have been reserved.

Motion 5-2012 made by Larry Poppler, seconded by Mike Shirek to approve this community outreach event and allocate \$75.00 for food & refreshments and to discuss a donation later. Motion passed.

Minnesota State Convention at St. Cloud in April – our court is allowed 3 or 4 delegates.

Motion 6-2012 made by Joe Stevens, seconded by Dennis Dugan to have the court pay \$50.00 for each delegate. Motion passed.

Motion 7-2012 made by Don Danneker, seconded by Dennis Dugan to allocate a \$35.00 stipend semi-annually to Webmaster Mike Shirek. Motion passed.

Fish fry event at St. Matthew's Social Hall on March 16th.

Motion 8-2012 was made by Joe Stevens, seconded by Dennis Dugan to allocate \$5.00 per member who attends the fish fry. Don Danneker will notify Tim Nowak.

Bob Schmoeckel SCT made some announcements regarding State Court Fraternal Activities and the upcoming State and National Convention.

Agent report given by Larry Poppler: overall the business side of COF had a very good year despite the economic uncertainty. Court membership remained steady. To help with court awareness a newsletter about 2011 events and community outreach programs is approved and will be inserted into the St. Matthew church bulletin sometime soon.

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Don Danneker CR adjourned the meeting followed by a prayer. Meeting ended at 7:35 PM. Next court meeting is April 16, 2012.

Fraternally yours,
Sue Poppler RS