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MINUTES – ST. JOSEPH SOCIETY

October 10, 2012

General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, October 10, 2012 – St. Joseph's Halle.

President Carlos Juenke called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Communion Service: Deacon Pat Klein led the members in a Communion Service.

Opening prayer and song: Heinrich Boenig led the membership in singing of "O Blessed St. Joseph." Carlos Juenke led the membership in the "Halle Restoration Prayer" to St. Joseph. Prayers intentions were offered for Danny Durst, Danny Pohler, Fritz Metzger, and Tommy Reeh.

Memorials: Carlos Juenke gave brief memorials for Ronnie Hartmann, Marlene Nebgen, Mildred Knopp Evers Dancer, Margaret Young Nixon, and Irene Beckmann Knopp. Each contributed greatly through their lives and accomplishments to the enrichment of all members of St. Joseph's Society.

Historical Presentation on the Marienkirche: The membership was given a lesson from the past on the fascinating history of the Marienkirche, which according to an interview given in *Texas Monthly*, is considered the second most historically significant building in the State of Texas. Carlos Juenke's power point presentation started with a brief history of a congregation's struggle to establish a place of worship in 1863, during the struggles of the Civil War. This included: establishing the convent, procuring and protecting construction materials, use of windlasses for lifting stones, and establishing the school.

Meal: Chile, beans, cornbread. Graciously provided by Jeff Dittmar, Martha Juenke, and Susan Boone.

Business

Minutes: The minutes were approved for the September meeting, as mailed, emailed, and posted to the web site.

Treasurer's Report: Profit and Loss for June: Income: \$4385.29; Expenses: \$4869.12; Net Income: - \$483.83. Treasurer Dr. Darin Holmes reminded the members that if anyone has questions about this report to contact him. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

New Members: St. Joseph's Society will have a table at the ACTS return retreat to recruit members.

Halle Restoration: Bobby Sagebiel reported that the Committee for the Capital Campaign is completing last minute details for the fundraising event to be held at Dian Stai's Sheep Barn. The event will be held, Sunday, Oct. 14, at 11:30 AM. He also indicated that marketing packets are to be mailed to those who cannot attend.

The Capital Campaign Committee is urging St. Joseph's Society members to contribute something to the restoration project as soon as possible. Members who cannot make a long-term pledge now are asked to at least make an initial one-time donation, no matter the amount. The goal is to get 100% participation. The society is about to enter the next phase of the campaign: applying for foundation grants. The foundations want to see high member participation.

Know Your Faith: The membership viewed Part 5 of *Catholicism*, in this year's Know Your Faith series.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Wade Boone

Approved by President, Carlos Juenke