

ICCCW Minutes 10.5.17

The meeting began at 6:05 with the lighting of the candle and the Prayer to Mary Immaculate, chosen by Helen. There were 11 members present and 3 officers. There were no new members present. There was one October birthday, Helen on the 18th, and 2 anniversaries: Judy Kinane on the 10th (53 years) and Maggie Burns on the 24th (31 years). Members in need of prayers and cards are: Joanne Schilling who is getting a new knee. The Memorare was recited for all deceased members as well as Mardell Pelch and Joan Touchette who we lost since our last meeting.

The September minutes had no changes or revisions suggested. Since none were suggested, the minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Helen read the report in Susie's absence. Starting balance on 09.06.17 was \$11,521.95. There was one deposit of \$175 from a funeral luncheon; expenses totaled \$867.33, the majority of which went to miscellaneous items needed for the Mary/Martha event. The ending balance on 10/05/17 was \$10,829.62; the funeral luncheon was \$4822.93, leaving a general CCW balance of \$6006.69. Mary Olsson motioned to approve the Treasurer's report and Judy Kinane seconded.

Communication and Bills: none

Committee and other reports:

Funeral Meal Committee: There were 2 funerals since our last meeting, feeding 180 people.

KCKC: We found 5 more students, bringing us up to 8. Joanne Schilling is still willing to contact. It was suggested that those with students check with their student in their last mailing on the year to see if they wish to be in the program the following year. Maggie broke down the remaining gift bags. It was decided that the gift cards be given to the "spiritual Moms" to send in their mailings to the students.

Rosary: Public Rosary Rally on Saturday, October 14th at noon at City Hall. Volunteers to take a decade are: Elaine Matlock-Kish, Ginna Hamilton, Mary Boser and Carrie Boser. We are one of 20,000 groups praying the public rosary that day.

Mary/Martha event recap: We had over 100 ladies gather from across the area for this special event. **Do you want your whole paragraph from the Meeting Script put here??**

MEV: Fall day of prayer was held at St. James in Millstadt on September 21st. The MEV is piloting a plan to increase the number of meetings to be in line with the BDCCW; instead of 2 meetings per year, increase it to 4 to increase relationship with the parishes. This would include the 2 Days of Prayer and 2 business meetings. The first business meeting will be here at ICC.

BDCCW: The convention is October 11th at St. Bruno in Pinckneyville. A sign-up sheet was passed around for those who wish to attend; carpooling will be available. We will be hosting this event on October 10, 2018 so those attending this event can consider it training for our turn. There will be Board meetings on 11.15.17 and 02.21.18 if anyone wants to attend.

NCCW: This group has initiated a program named the “vocation purse”, which is passed around the meetings to collect change to sponsor women studying to be part of religious life. So far, 8 women have been sponsored. Maggie asked if a form of this can be included at our meetings with the money collected going to the Newman Center. (at which college?) The NCCW recommends the movie “Mully”. (I didn’t write down why it was recommended)

Unfinished business:

Sunday Funday is October 22; doors open at 12:30 and the event will run from 1:00-4:00. Sign-up sheets for the event and raffle ticket selling were passed around. We have one cake left from the Mary/Martha event and will serve that. Maggie will contact the Tuesday Tinkers to bring the card tables over.

Tour of the Shrine: the logistics were discussed for the tour of the Shrine of St. Joseph, set for October 6th. Currently there are 13 signed up, including 3 people from St. James. A donation of \$2 per person is requested, but not demanded, and it was suggested that the ICCCW donate \$25. Judy Kinane motioned to approve this amount and Anna Bunton seconded.

New Business:

Chalice Program update: There will be a spare chalice available in the event the parishioner(s) who possess it are unable to return it the following weekend. The chalice will be brought up during the processional by the family during the 11:00 Mass and transferred with a blessing to the next family. A prayer book will be included in the container. This will be started on November 5; the classes at ICS will have a chalice available each week, which will be Father Carl’s first chalice, and PSR will also get one.

Prisoners Stink! Fr. Chris mentioned to Maggie that Illinois is no longer providing shampoo and soap to the prisoners and Maggie said she would ask our group. It was decided that a collection will begin ASAP and run for 3 weeks to start, then reassess. Florence Beatty motioned to approve this and Steph Burns seconded. There are 3 prisons that Father Chris visits, meaning hundreds of prisoners. Maggie made a request that the ICCCW purchase 3 cases of soap to give, with a total of \$350. Anna Bunton motioned to approve this amount and Judy Bates seconded.

Maggie brought up a project for the Christmas holiday. She mentioned the Henke (sp?) home for retired priests and asked about spiritual bouquets for the gentlemen. It was decided among the group that this will overwhelm our group and voted no. It was

suggested that a tangible item would be better and Maggie will find out what is needed and our council will pay for it from our funds.

Spiritual Segment: Anna Bunton asked a question about Judas. This led to a discussion on forgiveness. Everyone agreed that this was a meaningful addition to our meetings. Terry Hart will lead the Spiritual Segment at the next meeting on her research on the difference between Jehovah's Witnesses and Catholics.

Steph Burns and Judy Kinane will bring desserts to the November meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 with the Hail Mary, followed by fellowship.

Mary Olsson won the attendance prize. (is this right? I don't know what I was doing, but I didn't write it down)

Respectfully submitted by

Helen Csik