

ICCCW Minutes 01.04.18

ICC Garden Level

The meeting began at 6:05 with the lighting of the candle.

Maggie began the meeting with the Prayer to Our Lady of Good Council. There were 9 members and 3 officers and no new members present. There were no birthdays or anniversaries for the month of January.

Members in need of get well cards are Barb Speicer and Susie McClenahan Mantz . A sympathy card was sent to Helen Csik. We did not lose any members in the last month. The Memorare was recited in remembrance of all previous members that we have lost. Discussion about the Funeral Mass for Lois Schweizer, Helen Csik's mother. We will pray the Holy Rosary at St. Dominic Savio prior to funeral. Maggie, Stephanie, Ginna, Carrie, Mary Anne, and Terry are going.

The minutes from the December meeting were emailed to members and hard copies were available at the meeting. Judy reported there were 2 funerals in November in which 363 people were fed and 1 funeral in December in which 174 people were fed. Maggie mentioned that there were also 4 bottles of wine given to retired priests. Discussion was led by Maggie about whether we should include the names of individual donors that gift items (for example when we were giving to the retired Priests) in the on-line minutes. It was decided not to list individuals, as these individuals may not wish to have this information printed in the minutes on line and we give as a group.

Treasurer's Report: Susie gave the Treasurer's report. Activity from 12.08.17-01.04.18 was as follows: Starting balance: \$8,038.97. Income from funeral donations totaled \$150.00 deposited. Expenses totaled \$735.70 and were comprised of Gibault Catholic High School Pro Life Walk Donation, NCCW Dues, BDCCW Dues, Attendance winner, and the end of year meeting at Aunt Maggie's. Ending balance is \$7,453.27 with \$5,267.93 of that in the Funeral Meals coffer. Ending balance for ICCCW is \$2,185.34.

Communication/ Bills: There were no bills. A thank-you card from Eugene Bergmann's family was read. There were also thank you cards from Father Dennis Voss and from Father Donald Blaes for the gifts and our visit to the retired priests.

Committees and other Reports:

Funeral Meals: Judy Kinane reported there were 2 funerals in November in which 363 people were served and 1 funeral in December in which 174 people were fed. Judy also reported there were 20 funerals in 2017 in which 2,143 people were fed.

Traveling Chalice Program: Joanne Schilling reported that the 9 a.m. mass will be starting and we still need people to sign-up for those for February, March, and April. Joanne will take care of contacting Lizanne by email, to get a notice into the bulletin for January 20th and 27th.

Keeping College Kids Connected: There are enough books by Matthew Kelly titled Perfectly Yourself, to be sent to college students. There were also CDs by Dr. Tim Gray called Religionless Spirituality Why We Need Church, that we could send to the college students. People with college kids picked those up, to send to their college kid.

Rosary Committee: No report.

MEV/BDCCW/NCCW:

MEV Spring Day of prayer is Thursday, April 26th at Holy Trinity in Fairview Heights.

BDCCW We will host convention on October 10, 2018.

* We will host the May 16th meeting for BDCCW meeting. Requires a lunch. We get paid \$7.00 each person. Need Salad – entrée –side – dessert- drinks

NCCCW 2018 convention is August 29 – September 1, 2018 in Pittsburg, PA.

Unfinished Business:

* Feedback from the Hinckie-Sense Home for retired priests on Dec. 14th was very positive. Mary Wilson, Maggie, Stephanie, Helen and Ginna went. We had a good time. Father Hasslehorst said Mass, we had lunch, and sang Christmas carols. They liked their gifts of steaks, shrimp, chairs, glass chess set, and gift cards.

* Feedback on our Christmas party at Aunt Maggie's was very good. No objection to the cost.

New Business:

* *Spring Card Party* – April 8, 2018. Discussed option of having it or not. It was decided we would have it. Last Spring Card Party made \$2,737 dollars after expenses. It would be a good idea to market to the Assisted Living sites.

* *Recruitment of officers* – Maggie mentioned Lori Keim as a possible Vice President. Ginna mentioned that Mary Wilson might be interested in an office.

* *Next church field trip* – Maryann Held brought information about St. Francis de Salle Oratory. We discussed going on a Wednesday or a Sunday. The decision was made that we would like to go to a Sunday Mass and tour afterward. A tentative date of February 11th was decided on. The Mass is a High Mass in Latin. Ladies must wear a head covering (mantilla). It was decided that we would welcome men if they would like to attend, since it is a Sunday Mass. Maryann will check into this. Maggie will put information into the bulletin.

* There is a Bingo at Holy Trinity on 1-21-2018

Spiritual Segment: Terry Hart gave a talk about the Jehovah Witnesses. In it, she discussed their belief that they do not celebrate birthdays, Easter, or Christmas. They do not believe in the Holy Spirit or the Trinity. They are led by the elders of the Jehovah Witnesses. They do not accept any blood transfusions. They believe that only 144,000 people will ever be good enough to become part of heaven and that the secular society is corrupt. It was very interesting.

* Joanne Schilling will do a talk about the origins of the Mantilla next meeting.

Thanks to Maggie and Stephanie for bringing desserts. Thanks to Maggie for bringing Christmas gifts for all - CDs by Dr. Tim Gray called Religionless Spirituality Why We Need the Church.

Next Meeting Thursday, February 1, 2018 in the Garden Level of church - 6:00 p.m.

* Ginna and Anna Bunton will bring desserts.

We closed with Hail Mary Prayer.

Stephanie Burns won \$10.00 attendance prize.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.