

# St. Joseph the Worker - TEAM Meeting Minutes

## February 19, 2023

### Opening Prayer:

- TEAM President Peggy Billhartz called the meeting to order at 9:10 am with the opening prayer.

### Presentation of check to Titan Fuel:

- We welcomed Paula Brown and Barb Germann from Titan Fuel for the 'official big check' presentation of \$500, one half of the net proceeds from our Art & Craft Fair. Thanks so much to Nichole Poss for now chairing the event, following the 'retirement' of Geoff & Rita. Mike Sachsenmaier took a picture for the bulletin and social media.

### Presentation of Gift Card to Geoffrey & Rita Davis:

- Our thanks to Geoff and Rita Davis for initiating and chairing our Annual Art and Craft Fair at St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church for many years. As a token of our appreciation a card and gift card from TEAM was presented. Our resident photographer Mike also took their picture for the bulletin and social media.

### Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

- Minutes from the Meeting of December 2022:
  - The Minutes from our December 18, 2022, meeting was presented.
    - A [motion was made](#) by Mary Alice Keith; seconded by Geoffrey Davis; to approve the minutes as presented. Motion approved.

### Approval of Treasurer's Report:

- For the months of January and February 2023:
  - Since we did not have a TEAM Meeting in January, Treasurer's Reports for the months of January and February were presented.
    - For January: The bank balance as of 12/31/2023 was \$12,975.95; Checkbook balance was \$12,875.95
    - For February: The bank balance as of 01/31/2023 was \$16,697.22; Checkbook balance was \$15,989.99.
    - Please note that these numbers are prior to the distribution of the recent Pancake & Sausage Breakfast proceeds to our two food pantries of Chatham and Holy Family in Springfield.
      - A [motion was made](#) by Geoffrey Davis; seconded by Mel Kuntemeier; to approve the Treasurer's Reports as presented. Motion approved.

### Old Business:

- TEAM Polo Shirts:
  - Geoff Davis had previously reported at our September 2021 meeting that polo shirts (cotton / polyester) from Greco will run \$18.95 for small thru extra-large. Larger sizes will run a bit more (+ \$2). Greco's can get the green like we have now but are having a terrible time getting supplies.
  - They look nice. Please let Geoff know if you are interested in purchasing one.

- **Pancake & Sausage Breakfast—was held on January 15, 2023:**

- Chairperson Rodger Anderson gave an update on our recent breakfast event.
  - We had an awesome crew of over eighty volunteers. Many thanks! We could not do it without you!
  - Electrical Issue: There is still an issue with the electrical back in the kitchen / hall area, with the tripping of breakers.
  - Rodger did a walk thru with B & B Electric. Their initial analysis is that most of the electrical breakers are still the original ones from the construction of the new kitchen/hall many years ago and they may be getting weak enough to not carry the same load they originally did.
  - B & B will order all new breakers to see if that will fix the issue.
  - The Youth did a good job helping, many good comments.
- Rodger asked if anyone had heard any negative comments. Mary Alice reported that her husband's seconds pancakes were a little cold. This may have been when a breaker that the big warmer was on had tripped and went undetected for a bit.
- Mel gave a brief preliminary financial report with the following highlights:
  - 50/50 Drawing: Thanks to Tom Walters donating back his winnings, our drawing brought in \$484.00. Thanks so much Tom!
  - Bake Sale was our best ever! At \$516.50, AWESOME! Many thanks to our excellent bakers and to the many folks who purchased items, with very few items left over.
  - Preliminary net profit for the breakfast only will be around \$2,700 with one check for leftovers yet to be deposited, and one invoice for GFS if Mel can find it; otherwise will be a donation
  - Total PRELIMINARY NET Profit total for the Breakfast will be in the ballpark of around \$3,700, with that to be split between the two food pantries of Chatham and Holy Family in Springfield.
  - Donations helped to add to the profit this year:
    - ❖ A number of attendees also donated over the ticket price when they purchased their tickets. Thanks!
    - ❖ Rodger donated the blueberries, chocolate chips, bread (to line the roasters to soak up the grease) and some more butter.
    - ❖ Mel donated the advertising in the Chatham Clarion, Catholic Times, and the Illinois Times.
- Mel mentioned that he hopes to have a final PSB report ready in time for our March Meeting. Life events sort of rearranged the original plan for completion.

- **Christmas for a Needy Family:**

- Tom & Megan Walters graciously did again this year. Thanks so much!
- TEAM previously approved covering the cost up to \$600 this year.
- This year's recipient was a single father with two sons.

### **New Business:**

- **Titan Fuel:**

- The following is a little summary of the approximate timeline of how the Titan Fuel program works. Note from Secretary Mel Thanks to Charlene for helping to fill in some gaps in my notetaking. Thanks!

- The first Tuesday of the month we meet at the back door of Beads & More south of the United Methodist Church on the south side of the Chatham Square. The back part of Beads & More has large rooms where boxes of various food items are stored. We meet at 9:15 am. Depending on the number of items/crates needed, it usually takes about 1 to 1 ½ hours to put it all together.
- Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm various groups come in to do service work with a Titan Fuel person present. An assembly line is used to fill the bags needed, which are then placed in crates and delivered to the respective schools the next day. All is done quietly and anonymously to respect individual privacy. Teachers receive on Friday morning their number and know who receives. They then quietly slide the grocery bag of items in the students backpack to be taken home. The children are instructed not to open until they get home for adults to receive.
- Sometime in June Titan Fuel teams up with the Methodist Church to do a back-to-school drive. Each school gives Titan Fuel a list of items needed for the beginning of the year. Back packs are donated/purchased and the supplies are assembled.
- Glenwood High School is done a bit differently as those students usually have some different needs. A social worker lets us know if clothing, food, and/or school supplies are needed to assist families.
- A Titan Fuel Shrimp Boil is held every year to raise funds.
- **Donation to the Youth for Catholic Heart Work Camp:**
  - Rodger reported that the Youth did a great job helping out with the Breakfast; therefore ok to do the check for \$500 to them as previously approved by TEAM.
- **Deacon Frank Ice Cream Social – July 22, 2023:**
  - Peggy reported that Daniel & Nancy Snyders will once again chair the social. Thanks Dan & Nancy!
- **Reserve / Schedule Church Facilities for Events:**
  - Peggy reported that we need to get our events scheduled with Secretary Sue on the Church Calendar The sooner the better!
- **Breakfast Sign Up for 2023:**
  - Peggy reported that there are still some openings for Breakfast providing. Please sign up!
- **Other:**
  - **Quilt for the Chicken Dinner:**
    - ❖ Kathy Bednarchik reported that the work on the Star Wars themed quilt continues. Once finished the quilt will be put on display in the back of church for all to view. Bidding for the quilt will be done online.
    - ❖ Rodger reported that the Chicken Dinner will be **all Take Out this time, NO Dine In.**

○ **Shredding Event:**

- ❖ Kathy also reported that Secretary Sue is working on getting some Shredding done, but the company we used before, has a full schedule for the near future.
- ❖ Mary Alice mentioned that United Cerebral Palsy used to have a shredding event. SPARC has since taken over UCP, but might be worth it to check with them.

○ **Social Activity/Craft/Game Night/Time?**

- ❖ JoAnn Nelson brought up the topic...
- ❖ Rita Davis indicated that she had asked Father about it, and he is ok with the concept.
- ❖ If we did games, could be a fun way to meet people.
- ❖ Should it be part of the Social Committee or a Senior Group?
- ❖ Good to have alternatives of stuff to do.
- ❖ Question then was should it be a fundraiser, or should it be a social get together event?
- ❖ Brian Stenke mentioned that the Youth going to Catholic Heart Work Camp missed out on scheduling a Trivia night, so they could use some additional funds.
- ❖ Brian also mentioned the Walking Group that there was for a while.

**Breakfasts:**

- **Today:** our thanks to Peggy Billhartz.
- **March Meeting:** Geoff & Rita Davis

**Upcoming Events:**

- **Next TEAM Meeting:** *Sunday, March 19th at 9:15 am in the Resource Room.*
- Deacon Frank Ice Cream Social: Saturday, July 22, 2023 (Scheduled)
- Art & Craft Fair for 2022; Date to be determined.
- Mostaccioli Dinner for 2022: Date to be determined.
- 2023 Pancake & Sausage Breakfast: that date also to be scheduled.

**Meeting Attendees:** Peggy Billhartz, Mel Kuntemeier, Anita Jackson, Kathy Bednarchik, Brian Stenke, Geoff & Rita Davis, Rodger Anderson, Mary Alice Keith, Charlene Vollmer, JoAnn Nelson, Nichole Poss, Joe Schatteman, and Frank Tureskis..

The meeting adjourned at 10:04 am with the St. Joseph Prayer led by Peggy Billhartz.

Respectfully submitted by:

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