MINUTES OF THE PCCW MEETING Tuesday, September 12, 2023

The St. Wenceslaus PCCW meeting was held in the church basement with 41 members present. Officers present: Vickie Phillips – President, Karen Hines – Vice President, Kristen Nagle – Treasurer, Sue Mach – Secretary, Fr. Eickhoff – Spiritual Advisor.

- 1) Call to Order Vickie Philips called the meeting to order at 7:05.
- 2) Opening Prayer Fr. Eickhoff led the members in praying the Memorare.
- 3) Welcome Karen Hines spoke about the meeting's theme of "Your Season to Shine." She emphasized that each PCCW member represents different seasons of life and cited Matthew 5:16 "Pray that the light of Christ is fanned into flame."
- 4) Approval of Minutes Sue Mach presented the minutes from the previous meeting. Becca Lanik moved to approve. Sarah Fritch seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- 5) Reports
 - a) Treasurer's Report Kristen Nagle gave the treasurer's report (attached). Our Sunday Coffee and Rolls events are making money. Virginia Rawe moved to approve the treasurer's report and Angie Burke seconded. Passed unanimously.
 - b) President's Report Vickie Phillips
 - i) Welcome New Members: We have six new members in the last year. If you know or meet them, please welcome them, and invite them to our next meeting
 - MaKenna Sullivan Circle 1
- Barb Rezac Circle 3
- Gretchen Golladay Circle 1
- Grace Kehow Circle 5
- Shirley Guernsey Circle 1
- ii) Circle Saints, Flowers, and Chairs These are the saints and flowers chosen for each circle
 - Circle 1 St. Zelie (Queen Ann's Lace)......Liz Gerrish & Marie Konecky Circle 2 St. Anne (Peony)Kelsey Baumert & Kayla Schlautman
 - Circle 3 St. Germaine (Iris)......Sarah Buckley & Becca Lanik
 - Circle 4 Our Lady of Guadalupe (Castilian Rose) Jessica Pearson & Liz Barry
 - Circle 5 St. Kateri Tekakwitha (Lily) Carmen Sullivan & Sandy Sullivan
 - Circle 6 St. Elizabeth of Portugal (Sage)...... Emily Kreikemeier & Liz Sutton
- iii) Circle Updates. Chairs: Please get any changes to your circle list to Vickie by the end of September. She will forward the changes to the St. Wenceslaus office to be updated in the database.
- iv) "Go To" List Karen passed around a sign-up sheet for members who'd be willing to be contacted when help is needed for unexpected events or extra workers for Coffee & Rolls.
- v) LDCCW Diaper Drive Raleen Vrana was unable to attend but asked that her proposal be read to the group (attached). Raleen asked for at least \$100 toward the annual cause from PCCW. Mary Cooney moved to give \$200 and Jamie Thompson seconded the motion. Approved.

- vi) Additional PCCW Positions. Vickie presented information on extra positions that the officers would like to include in the group. If you'd like to take on a position or know someone who would be good at these positions, please contact Vickie.
 - <u>Sign-up Genius.</u> Duties are to make the sign-up Genius forms for Coffee & Rolls and other various events – Sarah Buckley has agreed to take this position. THANK YOU!
 - <u>Media</u> Duties are to make sure various online sites are updated (Diocesan, St. Wenceslaus, Facebook, etc.)
 - <u>Historian</u> Duties are to keep flyers, pictures, notes on how things went for each activity we sponsor.

c) Committee Reports

- i) Pro-Life Report Jessica Bohaty (Chair) handed out a sheet listing the activities of the committee and how others can help them (attached). Angie Burke moved that we give proceeds from the October Coffee & Rolls to the pro-life group, with a minimum amount of \$200. Sarah Fritch seconded. Approved. Father mentioned that there are business cards with information on the Women's Care Centers in Lincoln & Omaha which could be passed out to those in "at risk" pregnancies.
- ii) Church Cleaning Rachel Woita spoke on behalf of Linda Cernik. The church cleaning committee needs more helpers. This would require about 1 to 2 hours only twice a year. It was suggested that get kids Neumann kids could help to get service hours. It was also suggested that the time commitment and a contact number be included in the bulletin announcement.
- iii) If any committees would like to present at future PCCW meetings contact Vickie to be included in the agenda.

6) Old Business

- a) Priest's Retreat gifts A contact person at the Good Counsel Retreat House contacted Peg Bouc asking that PCCW prepare a gift bag for each of our priests when they went on retreat. Because of the late notice, Peg took care of this and we reimbursed her for the costs.
- b) Fr Schwenka's Farewell Reception Karen reported on the reception. It was well attended. Decorated cakes from Costco and punch were served. Many asked for coffee.
- c) Pancake Breakfast Sue reported that we had lots of help from the PCCW with set-up, serving and clean-up. THANK YOU! The profits were split between the Knights and the PCCW. We received \$540.

7) New Business

a) December Mission Bake Sale – Kristen reported on the history of the bake sale. In past years the money has been split between St. Gianna Women's Home and Neumann Campus Ministry for mission trips. Members are asked to bring candies, bread, Chex mix, cookies, etc. It was suggested that a QR code to the sign-up genius be included in the bulletin.

8) Announcements and questions

- a) It was noted that at least two women were not assigned to a circle. The officers will address this.
- b) Sandy Sullivan reported for Raleen Vrana who has been cleaning out the kitchen storage areas
 - There were some unclaimed baking pans.
 - Doilies available to put on trays for Coffee & Rolls or other events.
 - Clean ALL items out the refrigerators and freezers after every event. This will be added to the C&R procedures.
 - Please vacuum after Coffee and Rolls.

- c) Mary Cooney asked that the Altar Rosary and the St. Ludmilla's guild be put on the November agenda.
- 9) Spiritual Advisor's Comments Fr. Eickhoff noted that we will soon be celebrating St. Wencelesaus' feast day, the 100th anniversary of the church and 145th anniversary of the Parish. A lot of people have dedicated a lot of time in the kitchen and the basement. He asked the PCCW members to keep that legacy going and to continue to follow Mary's example of hospitality as she welcomed Jesus.
- 10) Closing Prayer– Fr. Eickhoff let the group in the "Our Lady of Good Counsel" prayer and gave his priestly blessing.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue D Mach PCCW Secretary

Following the meeting there was social time with a salad buffet provided by the officers. Members present were given a sunflower pen as a reminder to "Shine"

St. Wenceslaus PCCW Treasurers' Report 9/12/23

Date	Debit	Credit	Item	Amount	Balance
4/25/23			Beginning Balance		\$2,107.33
5/12/23	1648		Karen Hines - PCCW Food and Supplies	\$293.11	\$1,814.22
5/23/23	1649		Vickie Phillips - PCCW Food and Supplies	\$188.14	\$1,626.08
6/2/23		Deposit	Misc.	\$80.00	\$1,706.08
6/2/23		Deposit	Coffee and Rolls – May	\$359.31	\$2,065.39
6/16/23	1650		Peg Bouc - Priest Gifts	\$217.03	\$1,848.36
9/10/23		Deposit	Coffee and Rolls - June	\$292.00	\$2,140.36
9/10/23		Deposit	Pancake Breakfast - July	\$540.00	\$2,680.36
9/10/23		Deposit	Coffee and Rolls - August	\$408.93	\$3,089.29
9/12/23			Ending Balance		\$3,089.29

Submitted by: Kristen Nagle

Diaper Drive Request

Good Evening Ladies,

Every year in October, the Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW) have a Diocesan-wide diaper drive. The Wahoo Deanery's collection point is our parish office.

I have been doing the LDCCW diaper drive for about 12 years. In October I put boxes in the back of the church for the diapers. I empty the boxes out frequently and keep an ongoing count of diapers as they are being donated. Peg Bouc keeps an ongoing record of how much money and a count of diapers that our parish donates each year. When the diapers are to be picked up around the end of October, all the parishes in our deanery bring their diapers to our parish office. On the day the diapers are picked up, some of the St. Wenceslaus students help bring the diapers outside and get them ready for when Jerry and Kay come for them with a trailer. Kay Wessel and her husband Jerry started the diaper drive 14 years ago. Kay buys diapers year-round and has connections to places to get really good prices for diapers. Her cost for the large diapers is around 20 cents. The families in need can get diapers once a month and are given 20 to 25 diapers at a time. The diapers are to help the families. LDCCW is not to be their main supplier. Boxes and packages of diapers are always opened and repackaged so they can't be returned to the store for cash.

Since COVID, I did not propose to our PCCW that we make a cash donation, as well as a diaper collection, since our treasury has not had any funds coming in. I propose that this year and going forward, we donate at least \$100 towards the cause. The check would be made payable to the LDCCW.

Thank you, Raleen Vrana

St. Wenceslaus Parish Pro-Life Committee

Mission: To spread a message of respecting life from conception to natural death through education, awareness, and community involvement.

What We Do: Provide resources for life issues including pregnancy help and support, abortion healing, and adoption. We also promote life through activities to support our local and state Right to Life groups and local pregnancy resource centers. We also offer various prayer opportunities to spiritually promote life.

Activities: Spiritual Adoption Program and Baby Shower; Mother's Day and Father's Day Names collections; Prayer times for the Divine Mercy Chaplet; Parish time slots to join during the fall and spring 40 Days for Life-Lincoln campaigns; Walking with Moms in Need outreach.

Ways to be Involved: Join our email list, or provide a contact phone number, to stay informed and to pray for our mission!

Contact: To join, or if you have any questions or ideas, please contact Jessica Bohaty at jessica4life@1791.com or call (402) 277-7103 (landline) or text (402) 660-6087 (cell).