

St. Augustin Altar & Rosary Society Minutes

October 1, 2009

The Bands in attendance were 1, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 14. Also in attendance: Juliet Bliss, Vice President; Georgie Hoerster, Treasurer; Sandra Mosley, Secretary; Justine Power, Funeral Dinner Co-Chair; and Father Jim Polich. Juliet Bliss called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. and the group joined in prayer.

The September minutes were read. Georgie Hoerster moved that we approved the minutes and Rita Rasmussen seconded; the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Georgie reported that we have \$1,465.98 in checking and \$31,269.35 in savings. Georgie will be purchasing a CD with the \$22,695 from our previous CD. Suzy Mulehaupt made a motion to approve the report; Sandra seconded; motion passed. Georgie had a Mass said for Deacon Heim's niece. All treasurer's books and records were turned over to Georgie.

MEMBERSHIP: Juliet and Sandra are working on the directory.

DEVOTIONS: People are scheduled to do the Rosary before all 8 am weekday Masses.

FUNERAL DINNERS: Justine said they served 200 after Pat Galligan's funeral. They are expecting 75 at a funeral dinner on October 2nd..

ALTAR CARE: Georgie plans to wash the altar servers robes this month.

BRIDGE: At the October bridge the group will be celebrating Bea Sweet's 90th birthday.

SEWING: No report.

ROSARY RECITATION: Someone is scheduled for everyday at 7:30 a.m. before Mass.

WORKS OF MERCY: A large number of casseroles were donated after last month's meeting.

DiaperDrive: Justine has placed a Pak-N-Play in the east hall and at the school to collect diapers and wipes for our October Pro Life Project to assist St. Mary's Family Center. (St. Mary's serves 1,500 infants and children each month.) Flyers are being inserted in this week's bulletins. Sizes 4, 5, and 6 are most needed.

ART AND ENVIRONMENT: Juliet encouraged setting up a committee to plan and implement the decorations for Christmas and Easter.

NEW BUSINESS

Justine suggested we give money to the Prayer Shawl Ministry to purchase yarn, bags, and cards. Rita Rasmussen made a motion that we allocate \$200 for this; Robin Rose seconded; the motion passed.

Juliet proposed getting library carpet cleaned, recarpeting the front office and the stairway to the lower level, and also doing something for the school. Georgie will speak to Andy Ball to see what the estimates are for work around the church property.

The school is having their auction on November 15th and we usually do something for that. We discussed offering a dinner for 8, 10 or 12 or a gift basket. Juliet will pursue this since it needs to be decided before the next board meeting.

Father Polich asked if the A&R could help serve a light supper about 6:30 after the Mass of Remembrance on November 2nd (All Souls Day). This is open to family members who have lost a loved one during the past year. Invitations will be sent and RSVPs requested. The church will purchase the entrée. We discussed using the same procedure as a funeral dinner. Suzy made a motion that we help with this dinner, Sandra seconded; the motion passed.

Georgie passed out brochures for a trip to New Hope, Minnesota to a shrine. She suggested A&R might like to consider a group trip.

Sandra will coordinate with Mary Hamilton to put a notice in the bulletin inviting all to the A&R Board meeting and sending out a notice to band leaders and assistants.

Sandra asked for donations of unwanted greeting card. They will be donated to the women at Mitchellville Correction Institution.

OLD BUSINESS

Meeting of the Bands and Bingo Celebration on September 28th: All agreed that this was a great success. Fifty to 55 members plus two guests were in attendance. Georgie read a report that will be placed in the procedures binder. Total expenses were \$35.38. Some thought there might be a bingo set at the church. Lauren Smith may know where it is. *The Golden Apple Award* was given to Band 11 for having the most members (12 members plus 2 guests) present.

Please send Sandra Mosley an e-mail if you know of a member who is ill or hospitalized so she can send a card from the Rosary.

Father Polich led the group in prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. The next meeting will be November 5th at 12 Noon in the Parish Hall.