

Ave Maria Women's Society- General Meeting of 12-12-17

We met in church at St.Denis site of Ave Maria Parish at 11:00 for Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion. We moved to the hall where the meeting began with a prayer led by Barb Hazuka at 11:40. The meeting was lead by co-Presidents Lorraine Wiebelhaus and Donna LaRose.

Three new ladies were in attendance: Sharon, Mary, and Marlene. Welcome to each of you!
The minutes of the November 11, 2017 meeting were read, no corrections.

Treasurer JoAnn Martenka reported that the final results of the two Boutiques are not complete and will be included in the next report. Approximately \$3260.08 was turned in from St. Denis; \$3194.00 from St. Mary. There is a balance of \$13,466.87 in our EMB account. Rose made motion to accept the report, Betty McEntee seconded, motion accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Flo Husson reported Boutique vendors were happy and will return. Barb Schultz and JoAnn M received many compliments on St.Denis Boutique. Gratitude was expressed by the co-chairs of both groups for all the help provided.
2. ERCCW was paid \$1000 for the Vocation Purse and \$1000 was paid to Linda who wants to enter the Sisters, Mother of Divine Grace when her student loans are paid off. That project is now completed. Sefora gave this report.
3. Plastic grocery bag project from which sleeping bags will be made for homeless folks was presented by Sefora, who left directions for the how to. Also, Giving Tree distribution will take place on Friday from 10-2. Gratitude to all those helpers.
4. St.Nicholas Shop: Chair Rose L asked for help for set up, moving, and selling of gifts for the Faith Formation children: set up-Tuesday, the 19th at 5:30 at St.Mary's; sellers, wrappers—come on Wednesday, the 20th by 6:00. Sign-up sheets available. Help is needed today to sort and price. Gifts for the children have been ordered, we pay for that, Sr. Teresita orders them.
5. Advent Tea 2017 went well, 90 in attendance, could have benefitted with more hostesses, food was good, took in \$656 toward food, balance will be paid by our group, KofC donated use of the table covers, napkins, grateful, Blue Water Inn catered the food. Next year St.Denis will provide the site. Co-chairs Pat Anderson and Kathleen Marschall were grateful for our sponsorship.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. New Officers- Lorraine reminded us that in April we will need a nominating committee, have a slate for ready for voting at the May meeting, and install new officers at June meeting.

OTHER ITEMS covered—Decorating of the church for Christmas at St.Denis will take place on Wednesday, December 20th after the 9:00 Mass. Diane Z Kautz announced that, for personal reasons she will be resigning from that position. Volunteer needed.

The bill for the remodeling of the kitchen at St.Mary has not yet been presented/paid—waiting until all is complete. This will not include the floor.

Dorothy Jackson suggested that as snow birds pack, keep the needs of Project Blessing in mind.

JoAnn made us aware that more cooks are needed. Clean up help always needed.

Also there is a sign-up sheet for cleaning the chairs in the Parish Center next spring. Leave your phone number. Lunch provided.

Next Board Meeting-March 29, 2018; Next General Meeting- April 3rd, 2018.

Watch the bulletin for any changes.

ADJOURNMENT—Flo made motion, Marge Filipiak seconded, meeting adjourned at 12:12.