

**Women of Sacred Heart  
Board Meeting  
August 24, 2022**

President Nancy Heilman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Nancy introduced Anne Donnelly, who will be helping Ann Leonard with Hospitality this year.

Nancy then gave the floor to Carolyn Gale, head of Faith Formation for the parish. Carolyn said that the Vacation Bible School held at the end of July was a resounding success. Over 80 children attended. Carolyn gave a heartfelt thanks for the continued support of Faith Formation. Last year's generous donation from WSH went to the following: First Communion reception, Confirmation reception, textbooks, arts and crafts, a Christmas party for children, and five TVs with DVD players.

Donna Murray suggested that the Executive Board have permanent name badges so that they may be more easily identified at general membership meetings. The Board agreed to this idea. Lea Brown offered to take charge of this matter.

**Budget Discussion for the Upcoming year:**

- 1) **Hospitality:** An estimated \$40-50 per meeting will be budgeted for paper goods, decorations, and other items for membership meetings. Hospitality volunteers will submit receipts for reimbursement.
- 2) **Easter Food Baskets:** Joan Ward, chair of the Easter Food Baskets for military veterans project, said that last year 30 gift cards totaling \$600 were purchased. Joan asked Treasurer Denise Price to budget the same amount for this year.
- 3) **Christmas and other gifts:** Denise said that she will budget money for Christmas gifts for clergy and staff and for other miscellaneous gifts.
- 4) **Sacred Heart Ministries:** WSH will support the following ministries: Rosary Makers, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Matthew 25 for the long-term care facilities Christmas project, and Pinehurst Rehab birthday parties. \$1200 has been allocated for these ministries. Receipts will need to be submitted for reimbursement.
- 5) **Golf Outing:** Pat Ironside requested \$180 for gift card prizes for winners. Mulligan purchases will cover closest-to-the-pin awards. The 9-hole outing is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19 at Longleaf. It will be open to all women of the parish. There will be a lunch-only component as well.

**50/50 Raffle Tickets:** Sandy LaComb and Donna Murray will be in charge of the 50/50 raffle at membership meetings. The Board reviewed the pricing of the tickets and the following was decided: \$1 for one ticket, \$5 for six tickets, \$10 for 12 tickets. Basically, for every \$5 spent, the purchaser gets an extra ticket.

**Logo for WSH:** Nancy spoke about the qualities that should be reflected in a logo for WSH. She then distributed images of various possibilities of logos that might be adopted. The Board overwhelmingly decided on a drawing of the Blessed Mother holding the Infant Jesus designed by Helen Walsh's sister.

**Review of Responsibilities of Board Members:** All present Board members introduced themselves and described their purpose and responsibilities. During this time, several action items or items for the September meeting were identified:

Carol Meyer will distribute a list of suggested items for donation to the Christmas project for long-term care facility residents at the September meeting. Donations will be brought to the October meeting. Carol mentioned that one of the largest expenses of the project is Christmas gift bags because they are not yet out in stores for women to purchase before the October meeting. Nancy will make a sign about saving Christmas gift bags donated at the Elphie Sale. Carol will also pass around a sign-up sheet for the Elphie Bake Sale at the meeting.

Louise Kennedy passed around a sign-up sheet for set-up and clean-up for Hospitality. She asked the Board to help in recruiting more volunteers from the general membership. She passed around another sheet for volunteers to sign up to sell Elphie Sale raffle tickets before and after Mass.

Joan Ward requested that when an e-mail blast for the September meeting goes out, members should be asked to bring cereal for the Coalition. Joan says that the Coalition has changed from asking for general food donations to asking for specific items such as cereal or canned tuna.

**Christmas Luncheon:** Nancy announced that the Christmas luncheon will be held at the Pinehurst Country Club on Thursday, December 8. Price will be determined soon.

**Life Care Pregnancy Center/Baby Shower:** In Kathy Wharton's absence, Nancy Heilman read an e-mail from her suggesting new ideas for supporting the center. Kathy asked the Board to consider more monetary donations as well. In light of the fact that the parish already makes large quarterly donations for the center's rent and WSH holds a very successful Baby Shower each year, the Board decided not to add any other support at this time.

**Valentine Date Night:** Lea Brown stated that a date night for couples of the parish is being planned. Parents can drop their kids off at Founders Hall and enjoy a night out. Details will be forthcoming about possible involvement by WSH.

**By-laws Review:** Nancy would like to review the by-laws at the September meeting.

**Pictures of Board Members:** Mary Schneider would like to add pictures of Board members to the website. If a member would like her picture added to the website, please take a digital image and send it to Mary, along with your position on the Board.

**Wine and Cheese Get-together:** Nancy would like WSH to sponsor a wine and cheese party with the purpose of introducing women of the parish to WSH. The Board was very enthusiastic about the idea but due to an already busy fall it was decided that it should be held in January.

**Lunch for Elphie volunteers:** The Board agreed that it was not necessary to provide lunches for volunteers working during the Elphie set-up and sale. Food trucks were suggested as a possible alternative.

**Elphie Sale Update:** Nancy asked the Board to consider working on the Sunday before the sale in emptying out storage units and garages and moving furniture and boxes to Founders Hall. Nancy said that Eagle Springs Inn was sold and some furniture was picked up there for the sale. Changing Destinies, an organization formed to fight human trafficking, has bought the Inn. Nancy suggested that the Board consider supporting that cause.

**Reminder to Board:** The Board meets at 9 a.m., whether before a general membership meeting or prior to the 10 a.m. Mass for WSH in September, January and May.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Carol A. Meyer*

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In the absence of Janet Duffy, Recording Secretary