

Board Meeting WSH
9/12/2024

Attendance – Janet Duffy, Christa Blake, Kathy Flautt, Helen Walsh, Regina Birdsell, Lea Brown, Denise Price, Donna Murray

Reflection – Janet reads a reflection from the bible she received in a raffle at the WSH May meeting.

October Meeting – Mary Flynn would like to say a few words regarding the month of October being dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The committee is in agreement. This will be the opening prayer for the October meeting.

Budget Review – Denise Price presented the budget review. She presented a package to those in attendance. She went over the packet (Treasure's Report July 1, 2024 – Sept 11, 2024; Proposed Budget July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025; Treasure's Report July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024; Budget Variances July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024. WSH is off to a good start for this fiscal year.

Boys and Girls Club – They received \$1,000 extra in error last year. This needs to be discussed after the Elfie Sale as how to proceed for next year's donation.

Christmas luncheon in Founder's Hall - The budget was increased by \$100. This increase is for hospitality. WSH has the funds if more is needed to make this a spectacular event. Regina Birdsell's update was given.

She checked with numerous caterers for this event. The event will cost \$30.00 per person. Regina presented the menu from Thyme and Place. The event will begin with a "happy hour". Wine and mimosas will be served for \$5.00 cash. The Happy hour is not included in the \$30.00. This event will break even. All disposable products will be used for the event. At our next meeting she will have applications so women can sign up. The event will be placed in the bulletin. Regina will announce the event at the WSH general meetings.

Christmas luncheon entertainment – Janet Duffy initiated a discussion. Program and singing ideas were discussed by the committee. Denise Price will ask Ethan Sedivy to play the keyboard for the event. Janet Duffy will present him with the music. WSH will present him with a \$100 tip or more if he plays for the entire luncheon.

Cantor and pianist requirements for future WSH masses – Christa Blake discussed that there is a procedure to follow. Susan Wolonick is under contract by Sacred Heart. The committee would like input on the music selection for WSH masses. Christa will fill out the form provided by Mary Round for the January mass with the Eucharistic Ministers and lecterns, etc. Programs are no longer provided.

Membership – Helen Walsh presented an update. WSH has close to 200 members (63 paid, 66 unpaid, 70 life members).

Elphie update – Denise Price will check with Nancy Heilman to see if she has any outstanding receipts. Volunteers are in place to count the money. Elphie starts out with \$15,000 as a carryover from last year. \$3,500 of this will be dedicated to the Capital Campaign.

Elphie bake sale – Janet read a letter from Carol Meyer about the bake sale. A signup sheet will be available at the General Meeting. Lots of baked goods are needed. Everything sells out.

Christmas projects – Janet read a letter from Carol Meyer. The letter explains the gift bag project. A letter about the gift bags will be on the luncheon tables with content suggestions. Carol will begin collecting in October.

Thank you notes – Janet Duffey read cards from SH Preschool and Family Promise.

“Mother of Mary, pray for us!” Booklets are on the tables for each member to take.

Future Meeting updates presented by Janet

*October Meeting – Janet discussed the fashion show that Sally Conlon will organize. 10 women from WSH will be the models for the show.

*November Meeting – Mary Kay will do the basket raffle.

*March Meeting - Lea Brown will announce prizes needed for the St. Patrick's games at the January Meeting to be delivered at the February Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50.

WSH General Meeting 9/12/2024

WSH Mass – Father Forbes celebrated a beautiful Memoriam to Mary Mass at 10:00 A.M.

Eucharistic Minister – Tracy Harbour, Lectern – Christa Blake, Gifts – Denise Price and Kathy Flautt, Music – Susan Wolonick, Cantor – Cara Mathis, Alter Server – Janelle

Founder's Hall

Raffle Tickets Sales – Donna Murray, Joan Ward, and Sandy LaComb

Hospitality – Anne Donnelly, Virginia Siefkes, Sue Ferretti, Elly Schutt, Kit Herold, Maureen Humiston

These ladies did an excellent job with beautiful table settings appropriate for the tea luncheon theme. They worked tirelessly to prepare the food tables, the drink table, and working the room to be sure each table had hot water and tea bags. What a treat!

Photos – Mary Flynn

Table Articles – Mary, Mary Pray for Us! One copy for each attendee. Flyers for gift basket ideas, Christmas bag suggestion list, Family Promise brochure, Family Promise of Moore County 2023 By the Numbers, an envelope with Elphie Raffle Sale Tickets for each member.

Meeting Content

Opening – Janet Duffy begins the meeting with a welcome and the pledge. Father Forbes gives the blessing. Janet reads a reflection (You are Known) from the bible she won in a raffle at the May meeting. She offers every member an opportunity to give the opening prayer.

Introduction of the Board Members – Janet Duffy introduces her board.

Vice – President Christa Blake

Christa introduces new WSH members – Kathy, Marianne, Lisa, Tony, Leah, Jennifer, and Tina. She also celebrates the August and the September birthdays.

Treasurer – Denise Price

Denise gives a short financial update informing the members that we are in good fiscal shape.

Corresponding Secretary – Lea Brown

Lea asks members to let her know any members who are ill and any members who haven't been seen in a while.

Corresponding Secretary – Kathy Flautt

Kathy mentions the WSH Golf Tournament which will take place in April.

Committee Members – All committee members present stand and are applauded.

Announcements and Questions

*Eblasts are available on Realm. If you are a registered parishioner, you are registered.

*Do we still participate in Meal Train? This is not under the umbrella of WSH.

*Ministry catalogs are available on-line and in print.

*The food contribution alphabet has been split in 3 instead of 2 to prevent waste.

*There will be a fashion show at the October Meeting.

*Anne Gerwig offered and distributed Elphie Sale Flyers to be posted in places frequented by WSH.

*Carol Myer's letters for the Elphie Bake Sale and the Christmas Bag Project were shared. Donations for the Christmas bags will be collected at the October Meeting.

*Anne Donnelly passed around set-up and clean-up sign-up sheets for upcoming meetings.

*Kathy Wharton explained the Elphie Raffle Sale Ticket envelopes. So far \$700 has been collected.

*Mary Kay Socha explained the November Raffle flyer.

Guest Speaker – Peggy Hendrix, Executive Director Family Promise of Moore County (FPMC)

Peggy introduced herself and graciously thanked the WSH for their generous donation of twin sheets for the shelter. She then gave examples of how people become homeless to eliminate any misconceptions. A lecture

on Family Promise followed. Family Promise provides shelter, meals, and case management services to families experiencing homelessness. The program began in 1999, by partnering with 20 congregations in Moore County. In 2016 FPMC purchased a 5 bedroom 6 ½ bath home in Aberdeen. Families who participate in the program are screened to determine eligibility. They may stay for up to 90 days. In 2023, 100% of the families serviced moved on to safe and affordable housing. FPMC keeps in touch with the families who have moved on through their Stabilization Program. FPMC is also proactive with their service called Prevention. They try to prevent homelessness for families at risk. FPMC is financed exclusively by donations and fund raisers. Peggy then went over the flyer FPMC 2023 by the Numbers. In 2023, 35 families were served. These families totaled 121 people, including 82 children. Peggy concluded her presentation by taking and answering questions from the audience.

Basket Raffle – Kathy Flautt & Joany Barrett each won \$79.

12:10 Lunch begins The lucky individuals with a heart on the underside of their plates got to take home the beautiful flower bouquet on each table.