

Women's Ministry Meeting

Nov 2, 2023

Meal

Cindy Famuliner and Joanne Hicks prepared a delicious light meal and lots of yummy desserts.

Program

Presenter: Mary Jo Wynn

Topic: The Haunting of the Nelson Atkins Museum

Mary Jo worked as a security guard at the Museum and witnessed several hauntings. Many of these have been reported in the KC Star.

The guards scan the gallery all day and all night long
During the day ghosts do things like tap the guards shoulders or clap.
They clap especially in the Hindu gallery.
They turn the lights off and on.

The nighttime hauntings are very severe and many guards quit.
The ghosts become visible, they look like sheets, they will dart beside the guards, they become frenzied, they come over their radio and so things like "I am going to get you."
There is a painting of a certain Mrs Wade painting and she blinks, turns, stands up, and walks out of her painting. Additionally, there is a statue of an officer in uniform. The statue moves his eyes and looks right at you.

There is also a haunting in the cloister room with 2 graves. There is a painting with black bats. They leave the painting and fly around.

One daytime visitor took a picture of Jesus blessing John the Baptist with the trinitarian blessing. In the photograph you can see there was blood running from all sides of the painting.

So what actually are these ghosts? They are souls that are roaming earth.
There are bad ghosts and good ghosts souls in purgatory. Mary Jo's brother is a consecrated brother stationed in Brazil and had dealt with these evil spirits.

Victims of suicide can be roaming spirits until they reach the age they would have been when they died a natural death.

Night guards have heard a baby crying by a fountain. These could be the souls of unbaptized miscarried babies. Mary Jo asked her boss if she could spend her

lunch hour at the fountain and she asked all the baby spirits to come to her and she baptized them with the water. They never heard the cries again. We all prayed to St. Gertrude to get 1000 souls out of purgatory.

Business Meeting

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved with one correction, the date of the Feb. meeting.

Vice President Report

Due to Cynthia Frederico's passing away we will not have a Vice President until the election for next year.

Treasurer's Report

Marla suggested we focus on the second page—expense and summary. Ending balance is \$17,373.72. Peg Condrón made a motion to approve and Connie Meyerring seconded it. The motion was approved.

Committees

Funerals

Jackie reported that we have begun using signup genius for the funeral signups. The group agreed it was fine to continue signup this way.

Social

- Cindy let us know that Ester and the Branson trip is this next weekend. Cynthia Peters is in hospital and isn't able to attend. If anyone wants to go in her place, let Cindy know within the next 12 hours. Cynthia said she is on the road to recovery.
- For the Dec. 7 meeting we will have a potluck and decorate Christmas cookies. If you haven't hosted a meeting yet this year, we would ask that you bring a dish to share. There is a signup on the Women's Ministry web page. There is also a signup if you plan to attend and decorate cookies.
- Ruth Hays will be doing the Program for the Feb. Meeting.

Consignments

Ginger reported the very final consignment sale in Oct. made us \$600. The DAV clothing drive earned us \$757. Ginger said there were plenty of workers for both events. She thanked everyone that has supported both efforts. The entire group thanked Ginger for her tireless work on these fundraising events.

Parking lot island

Many thanks to Marti and Nickie for planting and maintaining another beautiful garden!!!!!!!!!!

Old business

Thank You

We received a thank you note from SMA for the money we donated for the National Catholic Youth Conference.

Statue

Nancy Schneider reported that she found a statue and showed a picture. It is 34 high and 22 wide, made of resin.

We will need to set it with rebar in concrete

Costs

Statue \$1,700

rebar \$120

Shipping \$262

Total \$2,177.65

It will take 8 to 16 weeks to make and ship.

A motion to order it was made by Loretta McEntire and it was seconded by Michelle Daly. The motion passed.

New business

- The Knights of Columbus would like to make a donation in honor of Cynthia Frederico. The group thought of suggesting a bench by the statue in the playground area.
- Samaritan's Purse. Jackie brought boxes. They need to be filled and turned in the week of Nov. 13 to Nov. 20. For packing instructions go to samaritanspurse.org/occ.
- Bake Sale Nov. 18 and 19. If you are at Mass and can volunteer at the table (especially the 4:00 Mass), please do so. Also, please bring something for sale.
- Jackie is working to get a meeting set up with the Men's Ministry and the Knights to find out what is scheduled for the 2023-2024 activities of the parish. This will help us determine what we need to plan for.
- Everyone needs to think seriously about who would like to be President and Vice President next term.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10

Future Dates

Nov. 18 and 19 Bake Sale

Dec. 7 Christmas Meeting

Feb. 1 February Meeting

April 4 April Meeting

June 6 Annual Dinner