

The March meeting of the LCCW was held on March 2, 2011 in the Centennial Room. President Norma Stewart opened the meeting with the Prayer in Honor of Our Lady of Good Counsel. Jeff Stewart and Chelsea Van Bell were giving all of us chair massages in our turn all evening. Since the February meeting had been canceled because of bad weather, Mary Lou Mulligan read the minutes from the January, 2011 meeting. They were approved as read. Joan Langford gave the Treasurer's report. The opening balance was \$6351.10 after which she had several bills to pay and the ending balance turned out to be \$5879.44,

OLD BUSINESS

We discussed the donation for the new carpeting that we had tabled at a previous meeting. We decided to take the \$2500 plus interest from the CD and apply it toward the carpet project. We would add enough to make our total donation \$3000.

Norma worked with Mary Pike on two Wednesday evenings in the Mission Center. She enjoyed it but absolutely no one came. She also took many items to the Volunteers of America Thrift Store in Sioux Falls. Mary said that they could use another person to take a key for opening the sewing room when Jill and Mary cannot be there. They will have a quilt for each of the graduating seniors this year.

Jen Honek reported that the cleaning of the kitchen was completed but she did not know if those who said that they would clean the inside of the refrigerator had done it.

Sue Buffington reported that the January Baby Bottle collection to benefit the Helping Hands Pregnancy Center in Worthington amounted to \$125.

NEW BUSINESS

Sue Buffington researched St. Katherine Drexel for our Saint of the month. Her feast day is March 3rd. She was born in 1858 to a wealthy family and lived a privileged life. After the death of her stepfather, she began a life of philanthropy. She established a religious order of nuns to serve minorities, mostly in the west and southwestern US. She established schools and missions, she started Xavier University in New Orleans. She accomplished an incredible amount before a health event confined her to prayer for the last 20 years of her life. She died on March 3, 1955 at the age of 96. She was canonized in 2000.

Mary Schutz will research a saint for the April meeting.

Harveen Gluf gave a report from the International Concerns Commission. She showed some samples of diapers being made from T-shirts for babies in Haiti. She is working on an idea for offering a scholarship to one of the seminarians. It could be from CCW parishes, deaneries, diocese or combination of all.

Bingo volunteers will be led by Connie Wieneke on March 19. Joan will get the quarters to her. Several others volunteered and she has some names to call for more help.

Fun Day will be March 17th from noon until 3PM. We will have lunch and play games afterwards.

The officers will do lunch for the April 5th meeting.

Harveen will chair the Easter Vigil reception. Helpers will be Sue Linebeck, Mary Schutz and Dee Buss.

ACCW meeting will be at St. Catherine's on April 26. It will be the mass for deceased CCW members over the last year. We will have the meeting and serve a lunch in the Gathering Space after Mass. Joan and Mary Lou will chair this event and Sue Linebeck, Mary Jo Nath and Norma will help.

We will skip the Mother Daughter banquet this year and do it again in May of 2012.

Mary Lou will ask the ladies who chaired the Salad Luncheon last year if they are interested in doing it again. It is scheduled for June 9.

Connie will chair the Easter baskets for shut ins again this year. She has helpers lined up and little wicker baskets purchased.

The Faith Formation office requested some more desserts for the Fat Tuesday event. Norma will contact Laura to call circles for those.

Norma adjourned the meeting with the Hail Mary. Delicious cake and ice cream was served by Mary Jo Nath and Sue Buffington

UPCOMING EVENTS

Election of officers in May---we need a president and vice president

Easter Vigil Reception April 23 Chair: Harveen Gluf Helpers: Sue Linebeck, Mary Schutz, Dee Buss

ACCW meeting at St. Catherine's @ 7 PM, April 26 Chairs: Joan&Mary Lou
Helpers: Sue Linbeck, Mary Jo Nath, Norma Stewart

Salad Luncheon Chair- Helpers-

Area CCW Meeting July 26 @ Sherburn