The Theresian Society

Thursday, April 4, 2024

(Date adjusted in respect for April 5th meeting conflict)

\* Corrections to the Minutes are noted in *Italics.*

\*\* Changes to the Minutes based on information after the meeting are noted in [brackets.]

Attendance: 13

Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 10:04am.

President, Jan D. Opening prayer: Jan read a prayer for renewal for the New Year

Vice President, Terry W.

Recording Secretaries, Teresa H.

Financial Secretary, Marge J. Reported Beginning Balance: $5341.48 Ending Balance: $5921.48

Prayer Line, Margie V. (Report available at the meeting)

Corresponding Secretary, Ann F. Sent Easter Cards to active Youth (altar Servers, Chior.

Funeral Reception Coordinator, Marianne M. Funeral report: 1 funeral in March. 2 scheduled for April so far: April 5th and April 22nd. There is a seafood allergy for April 22nd funeral.

**Old Business:**

The Minutes: corrections/adjustments were noted—*name of new member spelling correction* noted, The March Minutes were approved.

Day Trip to St Francis de Sales Catholic Church on Tuesday April 16th Paul Falgerty is the docent for the trip. More information will be emailed to everyone.

Theresians Flea Market (Yard Sale) April 20th will not happen as agreed due to participation issues.

The Meal train Ministry was discussed and the idea is being tabled but will be pursued. Mealtrain.com is a website that organizes the ministry. There will need to be a coordinator for the Meal Train Ministry. Request was made for members to look at the website and see how it might work so we can discuss.

Schedule calendar for meetings: It was agreed Theresians will meet every first Friday and will make any specific changes as we go along. No July or August meeting. Sunday meeting dates still to be determined.

Calendar Events so far: Celebrate Youth Sundae (that’s Ice Cream Sundae) Lunch May 5th, Fathers’ Day Breakfast June 16th, OctoberFEST October 19th, Big Winter Bake Sale December 14th and 15th.

May 2024: A celebration of children is planned for May 19th after the 10:30 Mass. This will be like 2023 with hot dogs, chips, ice cream sundaes. A healthy snack side and Lactose free ice cream will be added. We will be announcing the First Communion students. Certificates for Altar Servers and choir youth, acknowledgement of the parents will be done as well because they play a big part.

\*[Although originally planned for May 19, IT IS NOW SET FOR MAY 5th. That is two days after our May Theresians meeting. Reason for the change: Parish Events is planning an International Meal and Celebration for Father Gregory on May 19th.]

Beverly has agreed to manage the kitchen. She needs 3-4 people in the kitchen with her (Last year it took 3 people just to get buns ready as fast as she was serving dogs) Need Decorating/Set up team, Server helpers and Clean up team. Sign up at May meeting.

**New Business:**

Donation requests—Discussion focused on using the bylaws to start but recognizing the need of individuals, we reaffirmed that we do support other ministries who focus is serving individuals in need. Since our process usually involves 2 meetings to make ministry or agency donations the concept of “Pass the cup” (which we have done in the past) might speed the process for donating to an agency or ministry designed for/experienced in serving individuals in need. Will discuss further.

By Laws review: Discussion to review and update (perhaps “tighten up”) the Theresian’s bylaws, particularly items that need approval and vetting for situations. Officer Job descriptions and responsibilities need some clarification. Think about volunteering for a small committee to work on this—maybe 3 people.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Plant Swap is April 20-21 at church after the Masses. Take plants home. Bring plants to share.

Booth at Daffodil Festival for our church.

If interested in joining others on a trip to Savannah GA and/or Charleston SC, call – email – text Marian S.

 (see roster for contact info) no date given.

Thank you to April hostesses: *Marian S. and Jan D.*

MAY hostesses will be Donna and Marge

Next Meeting: Friday, May 3rd, social time ½ hour to 40 minutes before the 10am meeting.

Closing prayer and meeting adjournment at 11:13am. Jan recited a simple prayer.

Submitted: Teresa H. and Jan D.