

Minutes for CCW Salad Dinner Meeting

April 21, 2022

Our President Jenny started the meeting with a Welcome to everyone present, and we prayed Our Lady of Good Counsel prayer as usual.

We enjoyed a wonderful salad dinner with wild rice soup, bread and desserts. Recipe for Wild Rice Soup is below!

Dan Timmerman gave us a presentation about our sister parish in Guatemala. He spoke about the families and people he has met there. He did an interesting presentation on new, more efficient stoves that are being used there. The stoves are being built for families and do not burn as much wood, and produce less smoke than previous stoves. Our Parish has led mission trips there in the past and will start again in the near future.

Next on the agenda was Elections. The CCW has not had a change in leadership for at least 4 years. A slate of new Officers was presented, and approved by a show of hands.

President - Barbara Gagliardi

VicePresident- Open

Secretary- Leigh Weiss

Treasurer-Nancy Sarno

Commissioners:

Spiritual- Jessica Timmerman

Leadership - Bridgette Adler

Service-Nancy DePauw

A round of applause was given for the new officers. Another round of applause was given in appreciation for the present officers, who will be outgoing June 30, 2022: Jenny Cernohaus, Mary Shafer, and Deb Bauer-Bieniek

The Board has been approached as to placing feminine care products in the main women's restrooms. Mary put together 2 baskets which will be placed there for women to use. This was approved and there will be money in the budget to refill supplies as needed from the Discretion Account in the Budget.

A Garden Package containing a Statue of the Blessed Mother, a rose bush, shovel, and other garden supplies is being donated to the School Gala Auction. This has been previously approved and in the budget at a value of \$250.00, This is a positive way of publicizing who we are as a Council to the school environment.

Cemetery Watering will continue this Spring/Summer. Volunteers will water established plants in the cemetery as a service to families that wish to have a loved ones plant cared for. We will need volunteers for this. The women who did it last year will have the opportunity to participate again, and, if there are more slots open, others may sign up. An email will be sent out regarding this. The CCW does get a donation of \$20 each month for each plant watered.

Mary S. presented members with the 2022-2023 Budget. A few changes were made, as noted in the minutes. The budget was approved with a show of hands.

A Mother Daughter Event will return once again on May 12. Barbara G. will be in charge of this event. The Rosary will be prayed, as well as an Ice-Cream Social, and a book signing of Heidi Geible's new book. Look for more details to follow in the bulletin and on Facebook page.

Bridgette Adler announced an event put on by the Southwest Deanery CCW. It will be a Marion Painting Party, Sat. May 7. Look for details on the Facebook page, as well as the bulletin. The Deanery has graciously paid \$15 per person to reduce the cost to \$30 per person. Looks like a lot of fun! We will be providing some refreshments for this.

The National CCW will hold their convention in the Twin Cities this year. A motion was moved and approved to increase the amount from the budget to \$1500.00 to allow for more participants from our Parish to go to this in November. We would pay for some of the cost, not all .

There will be an opportunity for work at the KC brat stand this summer. June 17, and 18. This is a fun fundraiser! Look for future sign up email.

The meeting was closed at 8:30 pm with a prayer.

Board members in attendance were :

President- Jenny Cernohaus

Treasurer-Mary Shafer

Secretary- Deb Bauer-Bieniek

Submitted by Deb Bauer-Bieniek

Jenny's Chicken Wild Rice Soup

Ingredients

1 medium onion

1 bag of shredded carrots

1 bag of frozen broccoli

5 cups of water

2 cans wild rice

1 rotisserie chicken

1 can cream of chicken soup

1 small velveeta cheese

Directions

In a large soup kettle, saute chopped onion and shredded carrots in olive oil. Add 5 cups of water. Add frozen chopped broccoli and sliced chicken. Bring to a boil. Add 2 cans of drained wild rice. Bring back to a boil. Add Velveeta cheese in large pieces. Stir until melted. Add cream of chicken soup. Stir together. Bring to a boil. Enjoy!!!

Minutes for CCW General meeting

November 4, 2021

The meeting began at 6pm with the Prayer to our Lady of Good Counsel
Desserts were served with water and wine to all ladies present.

Treasurer's Report given by Mary Shafer

Checkbook balance on 11/1/21 was \$12,588. Extreme Faith Camp Donation was given this year. A gift to Father John was given for his 30th Anniversary. Blaze Bible Study received a donation from CCW. The Kitchen was cleaned at the end of the summer, and supplies were bought for that. Coffee Socials held during the Summer months were held and made a profit. Some funerals were served and also made a profit. Dues and Support are our greatest donations. A copy of the Treasurer's report was given to all women and is available for the asking.

One thing the CCW does every year is give a larger sum for a special project. Father John, and Steve will give us some ideas that we can help fund. Some discussion was held as to a donation toward 3 -70 inch TV's that are needed for all the classes the Parish offers. Another idea was to donate to a special enshrining of the Solanus Casey First Class Relic that is in the Chapel right now.

We have been asked to do our Cinnamon Rolls each month, the 4th weekend. We will need about 4 helpers after each Mass on those weekends to do the baking, and serving. We are the only group that does the popular Cinnamon Rolls, and we also serve the Saturday night Mass.

Jenny C. had a recap of last year's events: Even during the Covid shutdown, there were a lot of CCW activities. We did participate in the Box of Joy program, sending 112 boxes to Cross Catholic Outreach. We also gathered pillows, and paper products for Salvation Army Grace Place. Two Deliveries were made with both large vehicles being full to the brim. The Cemetery Watering project was also started this year. Women volunteer from our group to water plants for families unable to get to the St. Patrick's Cemetery to water their loved one's plant. Some plants have been provided by Cedar Valley Nursery. Jenny and her husband own this nursery, and the plants were set up for no profit by them, only the plants provided. A donation was given for the service of watering the plants. They presented the CCW with a large check from proceeds of the watering project. This will continue again next year. The nursery has purchased extra pots to continue this service. The Box of Joy project for this year is just finishing up. Deb and Jenny will bring the boxes up to New Richmond on November 13. Please have your boxes to us by then. Kris Kringle event is scheduled for December 11-12 this year. Clean, usable, nearly new items can be dropped off at the Gathering Space in the designated box. We will be asking for volunteers to help assemble gift baskets for the children to buy. Wrappers will also be needed on the days of the event. Emails will be sent out to those women interested in helping. Further announcements will be forthcoming.

We ended the pleasant evening by going around the room and introducing ourselves. There were 13 women, with some new faces. Jenny announced that we are in need of new officers,

especially a vice-president. This person would be in position for President-elect . It is a rewarding experience to serve on our board.

Those Officers present were :

Jenny Cernohous President

Mary Shafer Treasurer

Deb Bauer-Bieniek Secretary

Others present :

Lois Freirmuth

Mardell Walton

Nancy Walz

Cathy Shimon

Kara Fall

Conchita Gravseth

Joy Case

Lavonne McCombie

M. Clohby

Ilene Lubick

Thank you for being present! Submitted by

Deb Bauer-Bieniek, Secretary

CCW General Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2021

Our meeting started with Our Lady of Good Counsel Prayer. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. 14 Members of St. Patrick's CCW were in attendance.

Young Women's Bible study

Antoinette Kaiser was invited to say a few words about the Bible Study "Blaze" that she is doing with the young girls from the Parish. It has been very successful and fruitful for the middle school students. She also will be taking kids to the Extreme Faith Camp this Summer. She described this as a Faith Filled experience for youth where they can pray(a lot) and also experience the outdoors with canoeing and camping. It was motioned and seconded to give her \$300.00 for expenses for the Bible Studies next year. The Board approved \$215.00 earlier in the year, and was already given for the start up of Bible Study this year. \$500.00 is already in our budget and will be given to cover the bus the students use to go to Extreme Faith Camp.

Budget Mary S.

Discussion was held on the budget for the coming year. Many of our activities had been cut short because of COVID restrictions this year. We have a new budget of \$14,750 for 2021-2022. The Checkbook balance on 4/30/21 is \$11,562 . The Budget for next year was approved for next year.

Boxes of Joy Mary S.

There was some discussion on how well the Boxes of Joy went this year with 112 boxes sent out this year. This is an increase over previous years. We would like to continue this project as it really seems to include the whole Parish and families as well.

Bingo and Grace Place Donations Jenny C.

Another highly successful project this Spring was collecting donations for Grace Place. The Parish was very generous with donating pillows, toilet paper, Kleenex, and Bleach. It filled two large SUVs, to the brim and they were so very happy to receive them. Our Valentine Bingo was live and virtual this year. We are grateful to Trish Pieper for helping with the virtual part! It was a lot of fun for all who participated. We did this in place of our usual Christmas Tea and Bingo. We enjoyed a happy hour before , and a lot of great prizes for Bingo.

Pax Christi Nominee Jenny C.

Jenny presented our Pax Christi Nominee, Nini Milbrath. This Faith filled woman is diligently active in our Parish, and beyond in our Community. Our Bishop will choose the best candidate for this Honor. We wished her well as a nominee for this award.

Upcoming Events

3 scholarships will be awarded this spring to Senior Women who have shown achievement and Faith in their school years. They must show a desire to remain in their Faith as they complete their Post Secondary Studies. These will be awarded at the Baccalaureate Mass on May 23.

There was discussion about having Summer Socials after Masses . Barbara Gagliardi suggested this to keep the Parish connected through the Summer months. More details to follow. Volunteers will be needed.

K C brat stand for CCW will be July 30, 31. Volunteers will be needed.

St. Patrick's Cemetery. CCW will be placing plants and watering them during the summer months. This is a service for those who are unable to care for their loved ones' plant either because of distance or physical disability. This is a fundraiser and all proceeds will profit CCW projects and charities. Volunteers will be needed to take a week of watering in the Summer.

Date for SDCCW Convention August 5, Medford Wisconsin

This year it will include Mass with the Bishop, and a Silent Auction. Keep the date , more details will follow.

Elections for CCW Board

Our CCW has not had a regular election for some time. We will be looking for candidates to fill Vice-President, and Secretary in the Fall. Then the following year we will need a new Treasurer. Please prayerfully consider serving in this capacity. It is fun, and rewarding.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Bauer-Bieniek, Secretary
Also In attendance : Jenny Cernohous , President
Mary Shafer, Treasurer

Council of Catholic Women Minutes October 8th

The first meeting for the 2019-2020 year was held on Tuesday, October 8th at 6:30 in the Music Room.

Board Members in Attendance

President: Nicole Loch

Vice President: Jenny Cernohous

Treasurer: Mary Shafer

Secretary: Deb Bauer was absent at this meeting.

Several women were in attendance. We started with prayer and fellowship and enjoyed a wonderful potluck supper together.

Opening Prayer: Hail Mary

Treasurer Report was given by Mary Shafer

Information was given about our Box of Joy project by Mary Shafer. This has been a huge success in our Parish for the last 3 years.

Jenny Cernohous discussed upcoming Kris Kringle and Bake sale which will be held on November 30 and December 1st. Much help is needed from people of the parish to make this a success.

Our first coffee social and bake sale will be held on October 19th and 20th. Volunteers are needed to make baked goods and serve and the coffee social after the masses on Sunday.

Nikki talked about a special project that the CCW donates to every year. We spoke with Father John and Steve Richter to get ideas on what some of the needs were in the parish. A list of 8 items were given to up. Each item was read and discussed. Through much discussion with the women in attendance, it was decided that the CCW could donate to several items on the list. It was decided to put money towards a new Stove/Griddle.

Oven for the Church Kitchen.(\$3,800). Reimburse the parish for recent repairs to the refrigerator in the kitchen(\$1,000). New chairs for the cry room. (\$1,700). A new stand for the Easter Candle(\$1,800). And computer cases for the youth choir(\$357.40). The total amount for these projects totaled \$8,700. The board asked for a vote. Bev Marion made a motion to approve the money going towards these projects and Leigh Weiss 2nd it. All were in favor.

The last item on the agenda was having a kitchen shower. Everyone agrees that many items in the kitchen need to be updated and replaced. The many ministries that use the kitchen are going to work at putting a list of these items together and a kitchen shower will take place at the last meeting.

The next CCW meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12th at 6:30.

Closing Prayer: Hail Mary.

Thank you for Coming.

Minutes submitted by Jenny Cernohous

CCW November 12 General Meeting

The meeting started with a welcome from Nikki Loch, as well as an opening prayer of Our Lady of Good Counsel

Those Board Members Present:

President: Nicole Loch

Vice President: Jenny Cernohous

Treasurer: Mary Shafer

Secretary: Deb Bauer-Bieniek

Several women were there to enjoy pie, fellowship, and to join in a pie-tasting contest.

Treasurer's Report was given by Mary Shafer. She went over several expenses that were recent. Donations were given for the repair of the refrigerator, Box of Joy supplies, as well as profits from the bake sale, and Summer Brat stand. Copies of this report are available.

Update on the Box of Joy event. There were 99 boxes sent to Cross Catholic for children in 3rd world countries this year from our Parish. Discussion about the fact that there were more girls boxes than boys, so emphasis on boy donations next year would be helpful. A question about if one were to write a check for donation, where should it go? Discussion about how checks should go in with the boxes at the same time, so the Church will get credit for it, and to help defray the cost of shipping.

Kris Kringle correction in the bulletin, new or gently used items are needed. We really can use some extra large gift bags also, for those extra big gifts that do not fit into the boxes that are provided. There is a request out to the youth of the Parish to provide help either as wrappers, or help with shopping. There is a sign up sheet close to the Parish Office for helpers who would like to help with Kris Kringle this year.

The Kris Kringle event/Bake Sale/ Social will be held as originally planned, the weekend of November 30-December 1.

Calling for Volunteers to help put the boxes together for gifting the week before, dates to be announced in the bulletin. This is an extremely fun event for all involved. It also is profitable, it brought in around \$700.00 last year to benefit the parish through the CCW. There is also to be a bake sale sale on those days. An announcement asking for donated baked items and jelly will be placed in the bulletin as well as a general email sent to those on the mailing list.

Looking for people to help with the Ecumenical prayer Thanksgiving Service. We need pies for this event, as well as people to help serve, and clean up. You can sign up for this on the I Got Time icon on the website.

Update on Special Project donation. CCW will donate money for a new stove, new chairs in the crying room, a new stand for the Easter Candle and computer cases for the youth choir.

H. has asked for a donation for pizza for the Diocesene Youth Rally that happened on October 30. The cost was over \$400.00 The money that was used to pay for this is taken out of their reserve fund.

Leigh made a motion that we give \$200.00 toward the youth, it was seconded by Kathy D., and then approved.

There was a request for increasing the CCW donation to the quilting group which usually receives \$100.00 a year. A motion to double that amount to \$200.00 was made, seconded and approved. The quilts are given to families in need, through the organization Operation Hope. Around 60 quilts are donated each year to this project.

Kitchen shower update. Many use the kitchen and have suggested that a few items are needing to be replaced or updated. The people who use the kitchen the most would make these decisions. A discussion took place as to how this could actually happen. It was suggested to pick a day to go through the kitchen and come up with a list of items that could be donated. A list would be created, and posted, and it would be registered at Target. These gifts would then be wrapped and opened at the last meeting of the year. This is a way for getting only those items that are needed, what brand is wanted and the quantity of the item. A goal that was set for the February meeting was to come up with a list of items to be reviewed and edited.

Next meeting Dec. 10 Christmas tea and Bingo.

Discussion on giving recognition for what the CCW donates and how many women have helped and served at how many events. Perhaps a corner in the bulletin that is dedicated for this purpose was a suggestion.

The winner of the pie contest was for a Key lime pie made by Helen Lanis. Leigh Weis won the Women of the Month necklace.

Submitted by Deb Bauer-Bieniek, Secretary CCW

CCW Valentine Dinner Minutes February 11, 2020

Board Members present:

Nikki Loch President

Jenny Cernhous Vice-President

Mary Shafer Treasurer

Deb Bauer-Bieniek Secretary

The meeting was opened with Our Lady of Good Counsel Prayer and a before meal prayer.

Jenny put together a full Italian meal served with mostacelli, soup and salad. Wine and coffee were also served to the ladies. After dinner we had a beautiful Chocolate cake and a gluten-free pineapple upside-down cake for dessert. It was an excellent meal and wonderful evening, enjoyed by all who came.

The business meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Treasures Report was given by Mary Shafer. The final income from the Kris Kringle project was over \$800.00 We had extra sales of boxes after the original Kris Kringle weekend. We have no more boxes left over, so now we can start fresh for next year. Over \$1000 was made from bake sales in October and December. A lot of this was due to member Carol who donates raspberry jelly and gives proceeds to the CCW, and the many women who bake such delicious goods for the bake sale around the Christmas season. The repair of the refrigerator in the church kitchen was covered by the CCW. It cost around \$1000.00. CCW will also donate the cost of the new Easter Candle holder which was \$1800.00 It will be used in the coming months for the Easter Season.

After speaking with Steve the Parish Administrator and Father John, there are new projects that CCW will participate in. There are new adult chairs needed in the Cry Room . A new stove is also needed in the Parish kitchen. Updates on these projects will be forthcoming in the next few months.

The Pax Christi award was introduced by Nikki. There has been a nomination for this already, for a woman who has contributed unselfishly with her time and kindness over the years, and has often worked behind the scenes. The nominee will participate at the Dioscesan level at the Convention in May. Our Katie Waldahl won this award a couple of years ago, and Mary Shafer was our nominee for last year! If there is anyone that a member would wish to nominate to be considered, please give that name to a board member, preferably before March 1, 2020.

Woman of the month was explained, and presented by Jenny. Deb Bauer-Bieniek was introduced and thanked for her service to the Board and to the Parish and was awarded a gift of a necklace and flower. (Thank you!!)

There will be a bake sale on March 15. This will also happen to be on the CCW Coffee Social, so we will need many volunteers for each Mass that weekend. An email will go out which you can respond to, or let a board member know that you would like to help.

New Happenings: There will be a RCIA reception again after the Easter Vigil on April 11th. CCW has usually put this on with lots of help from members. A sign up sheet, and an email will be circulating when it is time to get ready for this important event.

Thanks to all who came to the meal/meeting! Our next meeting will be a potluck salad supper, in April,

Respectfully submitted,
Debra Bauer-Bieniek Secretary

St. Patrick Parish CCW Minutes Sept 10, 2018

The first general meeting of the 2018-2019 year was held on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the social hall.

Opening Prayer

The meeting began with a food blessing as it was a potluck dinner. Several women were present to enjoy a good meal, with deserts.

Installation of Officers.

Ceremony was held with Deacon Harold officiating to install the New Officers for the coming term.

They are as follows: Nicole Loch, new President. Jenny Cernohous, Vice President. Mary Shafer, Treasurer. Deb Bauer-Bieniek, Secretary. Bev Marion, outgoing President.

Treasurer's Report-Mary Shafer Mary went over what was spent and earned over the last few months. She shared the amounts earned over the summer from the Brat Wagon and Funerals. The Report was accepted. Mary also brought up the fact that every year our group has specified a certain amount for a special project for the Parish. Fr. had suggested to her that a new Security System being installed at the Parish School might be a good project. \$2,000 was motioned for this intent and was unanimously approved.

Cards of Thanks. Mary read Thank you notes from those who have received funds from the CCW in the past several months.

New CCW Calendar and Newsletter, and Volunteer Connection is being published for the New Year. Several were available at the meeting and were picked up by those present. The rest will be mailed out to all women of the Parish. Look for upcoming events to volunteer for and attend in the Newsletter, also make sure to send your email to volunteer for new events, even if you have done so in the past!

Woman of the Month. Nini Milbrath will be recognized as the September Woman of the Month at the next General meeting in November. Please give any

Board Member your nomination for a Woman of the Month. It is a way of recognizing the many women who give selflessly of their time and talent for the Church every day in all the different ministries at St. Patrick's.

Pax Christi Nominee Katie Waldahl was the winner of this award, chosen from one of five women from the Superior Diocese. She was recognized at the meeting with a bouquet of Flowers. A plaque with her picture is displayed in the Lower Level Social Hall. Congratulations Katie!

Upcoming Events There will be a pie contest at the November General Meeting, November 13. Sunday, October 21, CCW will host the Coffee Social. Need Volunteers. Box of Joy will take place again this year. Look in the announcements for ways to help with this.

Meeting Adjourned around 8p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Bauer-Bieniek

Saint Patrick Parish Council of Catholic Women Minutes- September 19th, 2017 Meeting

The first general meeting and potluck of the 2017-2018 year was held on September 19th at 6:00 in the social hall.

Board Members in attendance:

President: Beverly Marion
Vice President: Nicole Loch
Treasurer: Mary Shafer
Secretary: Jenny Cernohous

Several women were in attendance and enjoyed a wonderful potluck to begin the meeting.

Opening Prayer: The meeting was started with the traditional opening prayer.

Calendar/Volunteer Connection mailing: A newsletter outlining this years many events will be in the mail by September 19th. Nicole Loch had several of her students help out with the stuffing of the envelopes. We were told they thoroughly enjoyed this.

Treasurer's report- Mary Shafer. Mary went over what was spent and earned over this past year. We will also discuss later in the meeting about future donations and fundraisers taking place this year.

Woman of the Month: The CCW has begun a new tradition of honoring one woman each month from our parish that has demonstrated exceptional selfless giving of her time to the Church and Community. Over the summer, Judy Bauer, Emily Wagner and Mary Jo Harden were nominated and honored at the meeting with a flower and a gift.

Extreme Faith Camp: Tricia Pieper shared with us how the CCW's donation of \$500.00 for their bus benefited the kids. She even mentioned that a second bus was almost needed due to the high enrollment this summer. Trish went on to share pictures of the kids on the bus and well as telling us some of the highlights experienced by the kids at camp.

Fundraisers: The board discussed suggestions for fund raising this year. A volunteer sign up sheet was passed around to participate in working at the Brat Stand and the Bake Sale. Suggestions for new fund raising ideas was discussed.

Approval to purchase Chrome book for CCW members. Beverly Marion, our president discussed in detail the need for using a Chrome book. Some uses would be to

manage signing up for upcoming events, and the importance of keeping minutes and notes in one place. The Chrome book would also help a great deal with communication between members. Mary Jo Harden made a motion to purchase the Chrome Book and Katie Waldal seconded the motion. It was voted and approved that the CCW could budget \$300.00-\$500.00 to purchase a good quality Chrome Book.

Box of Joy: Mary Shafer and Jenny Cernohous presented a new way for women and families to get involved and work together as a parish. Mary and Jenny came across the idea for the Box of Joy during their time in Dallas at the NCCW Convention in September. The Box of Joy is a great way for Catholic Children in Third World Countries to receive a present at Christmas. Both of them went in to detail on how to assemble a Box of Joy and a time has been set a side at the October meeting to begin pulling some boxes together. 50 Boxes of Joy were ordered at no cost to the CCW.

Hurricane Harvey Donation: The board asked the women at the meeting if they would be interested in making a donation to go towards those effected by the Hurricane. It was decided that a donation would not be made at this time since the Church has already had several opportunities for parish members to make their own donations. It would be brought up at the next meeting if a donation would be made to Catholic Relief Services.

Kris Kringle and Bake Sale- December 2&3, 2017. It was decided to continue with the tradition of holding Kris Kringle Corner. A volunteer sign up will be created in November. The goal this year is to incorporate more involvement from the Middle School and High School youth and have them work along side the other women of the parish.

Sunday Coffee Social- October 15, 2017. It was decided to hold a Coffee Social and Fall bake sale on October 15th after the 8:30 and 10:30 masses. A volunteer sign up sheet was passed around. It was decided to just send out one message to drop of baked items, jarred items and pies off in the social hall on Sunday morning before mass.

Highlights from NCCW Convention in Dallas, Texas: Jenny Cernohous and Mary Shafer highlighted their experience at the Convention in Texas. They shared great ideas of ways to improve attendance at meetings and ways to make the women feel needed and involved in community service ideas. The Box of Joy was again discussed as a wonderful way for the women to be involved in helping needy children. Mary and Jenny mentioned that there was a \$9.00 fee to help with shipping with \$2.00 going to the parish priest of that country. A motion was made by Mary Jo Harden to approve the CCW to contribute \$4.00 per box to assist with the shipping expense. Carol Landry seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved that the CCW would contribute a maximum of \$400.00 to help fund the expense for shipping the Box of Joy.

`St. Patrick Parish CCW Minutes- February 6th, 2018 Meeting

The 4th general meeting of the 2017-2018 year was held on Tuesday, February 6th at 6:00 in the social hall.

Board Members in attendance

President- Bev Marion

Vice President- Nicole Loch

Treasurer: Mary Shafer

Secretary- Jenny Cernohous

Several Women were in attendance and enjoyed Red Wine and Strawberries along with wonderful Valentine desserts.

Opening Prayer: The meeting was started with the traditional opening prayer.

CCW ChromeBook. Bev Marion announced that the CCW chromebook has arrived and is up and running. The CCW also has a new email. The new email is spccw1501@gmail.com.

Treasurer's Report - Mary Shafer Mary went over what was spent and earned over the past few months. She shared the earnings made at the Kris Kringle event and the bake sale that both took place in December. Both events were a big success.

Women's retreat- The Gift of Wine. Michelle Kelly and Nancy Brigman.

Michelle Kelly and Nancy Brigman are bringing a popular women's bible study to Saint Patrick's called the Gift of Wine. The study received a great response with a total of 45 women registering for the event. The cost for the speaker came to a total of \$500.00. Michelle and Nancy are asking the board for \$250.00 to help

cover the cost of the speaker and hospitality. Carol Landry made a motion to donate \$250.00 to help with the cost of the bible study. Kathy DeCamp 2nd the motion. It was voted and approved. It was also suggested that a free will offering of \$10.00 be made to help cover any remaining cost. The board would also like to invite some of the women who attended the bible study to come and share their experience at the CCW April Meeting.

Extreme Faith Camp: Tricia Pieper asked the board if they would consider making another donation towards the transportation cost for Extreme Faith Camp this coming summer. The campers do participate in several fundraisers during the year to help cover camp fees, but transportation is an extra cost to the them. Tricia was also able to find a less expensive bus company this summer which reduced the cost by 50%. Tricia also mentioned that they have seen a growth in the youth ministry in the past two years since the hiring of a new youth director. Offering the youth more program opportunities has also benefited the ministry. Mary Shafer made a motion to donate \$500.00 to go towards transportation fees. This is the same amount offered last year. Nikki Loch 2nd the motion. It was voted on and all approved. It was also suggested by the board to have campers help out with the Spring bake sale on March 18th. All proceeds made from the sale will go towards any remaining camp fees.

Woman of the Month Jenny Cernohous discussed the purpose for the Woman of the Month. The board felt it is important to recognize the many women of our own parish for all the time and service they give to the many ministries at Saint Patrick's. It was agreed that we should continue this recognition for another year. Sheila Pelzel was recommended for the January Woman of the Month. Any February and March recommendations can be made to any board members.

RCIA Easter Vigil Social. Because Shawn and Spence Porter have organized the RCIA hospitality for several years, Carol Landry asked the CCW if they were

able to take over the responsibility of setting up and ordering the food this year. The CCW agreed to help with social this year.

Requests from Father John - Father John attended the meeting and had several requests for the board. One, Father John shared with us that Sister Tricia will be making her final vows into religious life. He is in need of help to organize and set up a celebration meal in her honor. Secondly, Father John brought up a request from a member of our parish. This member has relative needing some financial assistance in hopes of entering into a religious community in California. The community she wishes to enter is asking for a \$1500.00 dowry plus expenses. Father John is asking the CCW to consider a donation to help.

A financial request was also made to help a parishioner who is looking to raise funds for a mission trip to Rwanda. Cathy DeCamp made a motion to donate \$100.00 towards the religious life need and \$50.00 to go towards the assistance for the mission trip. Nancy Walz 2nd the motion. It was voted on and all were in favor.

Pax Christi Award. Katie Waldal was nominated for the Pax Christi Award. All were in favor.

The Next CCW meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018

Closing Prayer- A Hail Mary was said at the closing of the meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Thank You for coming!

Minutes submitted by Jenny Cernohous

Saint Patrick Parish Council of Catholic Women Minutes- Tuesday, November 7th, 2017 Meeting.

The third general meeting and pie baking contest was held on November 7th at 6:00 in the Church Social Hall.

Board Members in attendance:

President: Beverly Marion
Vice President: Nicole Loch
Treasurer: Mary Shafer
Secretary: Jenny Cernohous

Several women were in attendance and enjoyed a sample of the many wonderful pies brought this evening to be judged by the board members.

Opening Prayer: The meeting was started with the traditional opening prayer.

Volunteer Mailing: Reminder to everyone to return their availability forms for volunteering in the many events offered this year.

Treasurer's report: Mary Shafer went over the current budget. We will be discussing future donations later in the meeting.

Woman of the Month: Jenny Cernohous and the CCW board honored Michelle Kelly with the October Woman of the Month award. Michelle has been actively involved in the music ministry of our parish as well as being involved in preparing our children for the sacraments by teaching in the Faith Formation program. Michelle was presented with a flower and a special gift,

Box of Joy Update: The Box of Joy was a great success. The board was excited to announce that 132 boxes were delivered and shipped to a Third World Country. This box will be presented to a child as a gift this Christmas. All agreed that this was a wonderful opportunity for the parish to come together and help others at Christmas. We are excited to continue this tradition next year.

Kris Kringle/Bake Sale/Coffee Social: These events will be held on the weekend of December 2nd and December 3rd. The board presented what was needed to make all of these events a great success. The need for volunteers was stressed and a sign up sheet was passed around to all in attendance.

Walk with a Purpose.: Susan Gotrik asked the board if they would consider making a

donation towards the hospitality for the Walk with a Purpose bible study. Susan talked about the great response she has received from the women of the parish and how a need is being met through this study on learning more about our Catholic Faith. The hospitality before the study is a wonderful way to bring the women together and enjoy each other's fellowship. Mary Shafer made a motion to donate \$200.00 to go towards the hospitality needs of the study. Nicole Loch second the motion. It was voted and approved that the CCW could budget \$200.00 to go towards the hospitality needs for the Walk with a Purpose Bible Study.

SDCCW President Report: Barbara Gagliardi updated us on the current events going on in the Superior Dioceses CCW.

Winner of the Pie Contest. Congratulations to Nancy Klaas for the winning the pie contest. We all enjoyed her wonderful pumpkin pie recipe. Nancy was presented with a beautiful floral center piece.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 5th will be our annual Christmas Tea Bingo night.

Closing Prayer: A Hail Mary was said at the closing of the meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Thank you for coming!

Minutes submitted by Jenny Cernohous

The Next CCW meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 17, 2017

Closing Prayer- A Hail Mary was said at the closing of the Meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Thank you for coming!

Minutes submitted by Jenny Cernohous

Saint Patrick Parish Council of Catholic Women Minutes- October 17th.

The second meeting of the 2017-2018 year was held on Tuesday, October 17th at 6:00 in the social hall.

Board Members in attendance

President: Beverly Marion
Vice PresidentL: Nicole Loch
Treasurer: Mary Shafer
Secretary: Jenny Cernohous

Several women were in attendance to help assemble Boxes of Joy to be sent to catholic children in third world countries.

Opening Prayer: The meeting was started with the traditional opening prayer.

Walk with a Purpose: Susan Gotrik invited all the women to a new bible study beginning Monday, October 23 titled Walk with a Purpose. Susan passed out materials and shared information about what to expect upon joining.

Boxes of Joy: Many women and children came to the meeting to learn how to assemble a Box of Joy. Mary Shafer and Jenny Cernohous brought the idea back from their time in Dallas, Texas while attending the National Council of Catholic Women. Many brought donations and several boxes were assembled. Mary Shafer will take the completed boxes to a drop off site in Bloomington, Minnesota the first week in November. These Boxes of Joy will then be shipped to a Catholic Village in a third world county and be given to a child for Chirstmas. The evening was enjoyed by everyone and all agreed it should be continued next year.

The next CCW meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 7th, 2017 at 6:00

Closing Prayer- A Hail Mary was said at the closing of the meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:00

Thank you for coming.

Minutes submitted by Jenny Cernohous