

Ruth LWML Guild Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2023

Members Present: 26

Bible Study: Sandy led the Bible Study—Dilemmas and Decisions

Opening: LWML Pledge

Home: \$119 Mites: \$100.68

Secretary's Minutes/Treasurer's Report

Minutes and Treasurer's Report were passed out to be read and reviewed.

By-Laws

Mary read and reviewed the new By-laws.

Bible Studies

Looking for a Ruth Bible Study for our April meeting. Mary talked to Pastor Grams about leading a Bible Study as an option. Pastor Grams said he would help with these as needed.

Lenten Meal

March 8 – Baked Potato Bar. There is a sign up for volunteers. This sign up will be left in the kitchen. A Thrivent Grant was gotten to help buy the food. Any money raised stays in Home.

Call to Freedom

March 18 at 10:00. Invite others for this – it is recommended that pre-teen and younger not attend. \$500 check will be given to them. We will also hold an in-gathering to collect gift cards. It was suggested these gift cards be from Target, Hy-Vee, Lewis, Walmart, gas stations or restaurants in amounts of \$10, \$20, or \$25. Hy-Vee cards are available between church services. This is a great opportunity to buy gift cards for the in-gathering and also help the youth at the same time. We will need a couple of Greeters. Each member should bring 2 dozen cookies. Information will be shared through the Clarion, bulletin, Facebook, and word of mouth. Maxine is making posters to hang.

Diaper Derby

Office project, but LWML Guild helps with this—separating and delivering diapers. In addition, Ruth LWML Guild will be making cloth diapers from t-shirts for the Orphan Grain Train. Mary and Tammie showed an example of a finished diaper. These will be made before or after a future meeting. We will be asking the congregation for donations of t-shirts.

Muffins for Mites

April 2—there is a sign-up sheet for volunteers to bring muffins, fruit, donut holes, etc .and to help with the morning. Money will be sent to Mites.

July Field Trip

Members suggested 3 places to visit – St. Francis House, Children's Inn and the Union Gospel Mission. Board members will call each of these places for availability and information. Possibly do all in one day and do lunch in between.

National Convention

June 22-25, 2023 in Milwaukee, WI. The Quarterly has information. There will be a bus going – cost is \$160 and the sign up deadline is February 20. For those who do not attend in person want to watch the Livestream in the Atrium? This has been done in the past with Pastor giving Communion.

April Spring Retreat

April 21-22 in Brookings at Peace Lutheran. Registration forms are on the shelf in the Atrium. \$15 for Registration and \$9 for lunch. There will be a Servant Event and Gifts From the Heart.

Membership List

This was passed out to members. There are a few additions to the list – these addresses will be put on labels and passed out at the next meeting for members to add to their list.

Card Committee

Birthday cards will be sent to Auxiliary Members, Shut-ins and our 3 Servicemen.

New Years, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's, Easter, July 4 (Cheer baskets), Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas cards will be sent to Auxiliary members.

Easter, July 4 (Cheer Baskets), Christmas will be sent to Shut-ins.

*Any member can send a card to Auxiliary Members, Shut-ins, and Servicemen any time. Mary has a box containing home-made cards. She will leave it on the shelf for members to take to use.

*Easter cards and St. Patrick's Day cards were signed by members to be mailed by our Card Committee.

March 8–Serve the Lenten Meal

March 18–Ruth LWML Guild-Call to Freedom-10:00–Board meeting to follow

April 2–Muffins for Mites

April 15–Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00–Board meeting to follow

June 22-25–National Convention

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Julie