

## **Ruth LWML Guild Board Meeting Minutes**

July 19, 2023

**Members Present:** Judy, Marie, Mary, Tammie, Lenny, Julie, Illa

**June Secretary's Report and Treasurer's Report were approved.**

### **Report from Treasurer:**

\$1500 was received for the Hostess money.

### **Updates**

Bylaws-Tammie is still waiting for a response.

At Large Members for the Board– Jerilyn has accepted for September-December.

Recap of Field Trips-16 members attended. Mites: \$60.10; Home \$39 Members toured St. Francis House and Children's Home Shelter for Family Safety (formerly Children's Inn). Lunch was held at The Fryn' Pan between tours. Illa will write a thank you note to Children's Home Shelter for Family Safety and Mary will write a thank you note to St. Francis House. Each thank you will include a donation of \$100. Possibly another field trip in the future to the Union Gospel Mission.

Max and cards–how can we help you? Do you need more help getting them sent? This will be discussed at the August meeting.

### **Bible Study for August meeting**

Pastor Grams will lead the Bible Study. Deborah will be the focus of this study.

### **T-Shirt Diapers**

Tammie received a Thrivent Grant to purchase plastic pants and diaper pins to include with the t-shirt diapers. Mary talked to a gal from Milbank. She said they assemble kits there. Maybe a field trip there to deliver the diapers and supplies? Hopefully this project can be wrapped up by the end of August.

### **September Fundraiser**

Bake/Book//Honey Sales/More–September 22-24. The “more” can be cards, crafts, plants, garden produce, etc. Books, etc. can be brought starting on September 1. Mary will ask Maxine if the Atrium is available on Thursday, September 21. If available, set up will be from 1-4. 12 tables will be needed - Mary will ask Brian for these. Friday hours will be from 2-7–volunteers will need to be there at 1:30. Saturday hours will be from 8-3-volunteers will need to be there at 7:30. On Saturday a light donut/coffee breakfast will be available. We are thinking of selling this for \$2. Lunch of BBQ, chips, cookies and lemonade will be for sale. We will sell this for \$5. Sunday hours will be before 8 am service, between services and after the 10:30 service. Sign up sheets will be made by Illa for set up, shifts for the 3 days and take down on Sunday. Julie will apply for a Thrivent Grant to purchase food items. Advertising will be through Facebook, notice to other churches, our bulletin, M4M, Boredom Busters, outside sign, flyers on tables at the Zone Rally, book sale signs in the lawn around church. Will need 3 cash boxes-books, food and honey. \$200 start up for books, \$100 for food and \$100 for honey. Mary is checking with the honey people if they accept only checks-if so the cash box and start-up money will not be needed. At the honey table, we are hoping to have some way to sample the honey. We will sell the bottles of honey for \$10–we will be able to keep \$3 from each bottle sold. Hardcover books-\$2, paperback books-\$1, boxes of cards \$6. Sunday will be \$5 for a bag of books and half price for games/puzzles.

### **September 23-Fall Rally at Resurrection**

Registration at 8:30 Start time 9:00. Our fundraiser is going on, but hopefully people will find time to go. Mary is checking if we can lay flyers for our fundraiser on tables—people could stop by when the Rally is over.

### **September 30-Christian Life Workshop**

Zion (specifically Eve Circle) has been asked to host. Ruth Guild has been asked to help with registration and provide the coffee and a.m. snack. Sign up sheets will be available at our September meeting on September 16.

### **October-LWML Sunday-October 1**

Ruth Guild will be serving the Bible class treats that Eve is providing. We will need to also help with ushers and the reader. Sign up sheet for volunteers will be available at the September 16 meeting. Emily will do the Children's Message. We are in charge of the flowers. Illa will talk to Sunhild to see if she is interested in making the arrangement. We would like to reimburse her \$56.

### **Tie Blankets**

Mary has been approved for a Thrivent Grant to purchase fabric for the blankets. When she receives the Grant, she will order blanket kits from either Yourfleece.com or Joann's online. Julie is going to check on the size of the blankets that are already made—they could be bigger than the ones from last year so we will need larger boxes. She will also check if there is a wrapping paper dispenser as well. If the kits come before the August meeting, should we ask people to come early(9am) to the meeting to start cutting blanket fleece and then send home to tie? If money becomes a problem, we can do a M4M or serve Muffins for Mites.

### **November Meeting**

Blanket box wrapping. Mary is going to ask Jon at Brighter Transition to see if names are available to label the boxes as they are wrapped.

Election of Officers: Mary will ask at the October meeting if there is anyone that would like their name to be placed on the ballot for President, Secretary, or an apprentice for the Event Coordinator. Per the bylaws this will be voted on at the November meeting.

Per the bylaws the proposed budget will also be presented. This will then be voted on at the December meeting.

### **December Christmas Luncheon-December 16?**

Max K., Shirley W. and Barb P. have volunteered to be on the committee. Illa has secured Latitudes for the entertainment. Love Kitchen is paying for this part. The luncheon will be held on December 16. When do we need to get the word out? December Clarion for sure. Do we need a M4M? Committee needs to verify time and date with Maxine. Maxine is always very helpful with flyers/posters. In gathering? This will be discussed at the August Board meeting.

### **January 20 Meeting**

The Atrium needs to be reserved. Do we want to have a devotion book exchange? Sign up for prayer partners? Do we want a simple activity? An ingathering? Possibly feminine hygiene products for the St. Francis House? Plan out year-honest talk of what worked, what didn't, what they liked, what they didn't.

How do we help those who can't make Saturday work? Is there anyone in our regular attendees that would like to lead an evening group again or an on-line group?

### **Pastoral Aid Money**

Illa made a motion to send a \$1000 check to Pastor Sailor for the District Pastoral aid money. Tammie seconded the motion. The motion passed.

This item is in the budget that was approved at the Ruth Circle meeting in November, 2022.

### **Budget**

A proposed budget will need to be ready for our November meeting (per bylaws). It was suggested to add a donation for Sam Bobby (he spoke during a Bible Study at Zion). He is moving to Latvia with his family (except for one son) to be a Pastor there.

August 19-Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00–Board meeting to follow

September 16-Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00–Board meeting to follow

September 22-24-Book Sale/Bake Sale/Honey Fundraiser

September 23–Sioux Falls Zone Rally at Resurrection-8:30 am Registration-9:00 Start

September 30-Christian Life Workshop

October 1-LWML Sunday

October 21-Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00–Board meeting to follow

November 18-Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00–Board meeting to follow

December 16-Christmas Luncheon

Respectfully submitted, Julie