

Ruth LWML Guild Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2024

Members Present: 14

Mites: \$105.12 Mite Box: \$4.40 Mite Total: \$109.52 Home: \$82 Mite and Home Total: \$191.52

Mary opened with Devotion: Candy Hearts

All members repeated the LWML pledge

Registration Table: Sign in, Check Membership list (correct address, etc.), Order a Quarterly, Thrivent Grant Availability-make sure to check before the meeting is over

27 Valentine cards were signed to send to Shut-ins

Thank you to Max and Shirley and everyone involved in planning the Christmas luncheon

December Secretary's Report (recap of Christmas Luncheon) and Treasurer's Report were approved.

Report from Treasurer

Reminder that we need to subtract the hostess money from our total for an accurate total of our money.

A change in the 2023 recap—Honey sales should be \$590 and the Red Stocking should be \$530

Members at Large for January -April—Sandy and Betty

Old Business

Mary shared a recap of the 2023 year activities/projects

Results from Letter

There is some interest in looking at starting a group on a weeknight for members that have a hard time getting to the meeting on Saturday.

We will be serving the Lenten meal on February 28.

Bible studies-Pastor led and from the Quarterly.

Members are encouraged to sign up for a Saturday to bring treats

Members would like to have "work" days on a different day vs on our meeting days

Book, Bake and Craft Fair is going to continue

Continue Shut in Ministry, Servicemen (adding Joe T to this list) and Auxiliary members birthdays

Soul Bowl will be brought back—at least try in February to see how it goes

2024 Dates

- February 28-Lenten Meal
- March 2 – Prayer Service at Memorial (9-10 for coffee & fellowship; service at 10)
- June 6-7 SD District Convention - Aberdeen
- October 5 – Fall Rally at Zion – with both circles hosting
- October 6-LWML Sunday

2024 Ideas

- Ash Wednesday thru Palm Sunday–In gathering-collecting feminine hygiene products for the St. Francis House
- March 24-Muffins with money possibly going to Pastor Bobby
- May–Diaper Derby Sign up for Convention
- June-Diaper Derby continues; Convention
- July-Field Trip?
- August–In gathering-School supplies for new teachers
- September–Book, Bake and Other Sale. Set up committees for each part of this weekend
- November-Veterans Brunch
- December-Christmas Luncheon-December 14

Other Items

- LWML Sunday, Oct. 6--Working on fine tuning this-talking with Jody and Cathy. Talking about trying that if you are responsible for the flowers, you would also handle the muffins, providing and serving. This means in 2024 that would be Eve. We will always share the duties of ushers, greeters, readers, etc for the services so both groups have a presence at both services.
- Fall Rally, Oct. 5–Guild will be serving the morning coffee/food. We don't know yet what else will be required as host church.
- Birthday bags for Jesus Cares attendees or at least a birthday card. Illa talked to Pastor Greg and he will talk to the head person.
- Convention in June – does any Sioux Falls church have access to a bus. If we could find one, would it be helpful to see if we could fill it so our ladies could ride the bus and not have to drive and think about parking, etc. Or maybe it's a carpool with other churches as I assume we can stay at the same facility as where the convention is held.
- Mary can make up some diaper kits for those who would like to make some at home this winter.

- Lenten Meal-February 28. Illa has leftover money on a grant to buy the food. She has a recipe for Zion's Ham casserole for the main dish and will be served with a vegetable—probably corn. Members are asked to bring bars/desserts.
- Book, Bake and Craft Sale—1st choice for dates—Sept. 13-15, 2nd choice-Sept. 20-22—if this is the date there will not be a meeting. Committees will be set up for each part of this fundraiser (food, crafts, books, etc.) Set up date either Sept 12 or 19 depending on which date we get. A possible idea is to make the mixes in Mason jars Julie has a recipe book for this and will bring to the next meeting.
- Field Trip—idea of going to the Orphan Grain Train either in Norfolk or Milbank; Union Gospel Mission?
- Julie and Sandy are looking into some type of project for new teachers—citywide or our congregation?
- Somehow honor our Sunday School Teachers—balloons with candies, gift card?
- Day of Doing?

February 17-Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00—Board meeting to follow

February 28-Lenten Meal

March 2—Prayer Service at Memorial-9:00 for coffee and fellowship; 10:00 Service

June 6-7-SD District Convention-Aberdeen

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Respectfully submitted, Julie