

Catholic United Parish Volunteer Team Meeting
Wednesday, Nov 23, 2023 9:00 p.m (After mass) Church Basement

Members Present: Jeff Theis, Annette & Dave Stang, Mike Lutgen, Brenda Kraemer, Judi Schreiner, Judy Schutz, Rick & JJ Utecht, Karen Lincoln, Doug & Mary Caskey, Linda Jungels, Trish & Paul Ludwig, Kelly Bautch, Betty Lutgen

Old Business:

Recap of Soup and Sandwich Supper: Just held this evening. Went very well. Approx 105 people attended. Free Will donation: for Poor Clare's after expenses: 864.00 collect - \$96.00 groceries expenses + 500.00 match from CUPVT = 1268.00 approx will be donated to Poor Clare's. Serve from 5:30 – 7:15 Mass at 7:30 pm
Groceries: 2 choc/3 white milk; 8 small cans of chicken; 3 doz eggs; 5 rings bologna; 14 soups; 1 box crackers. Had plenty food.

Nicktoberfest News: The St Nicholas Nicks amateur baseball team will do the food for the event as a fundraiser for the baseball park. Everyone was excited to hear this. The food committee will touch base their reps from the baseball team to sort out details.

Disbursing the profits from Nicktoberfest: Since we have received the monies from CU for the matching grant, we will remit a check to St Nickolas Parish for the profits from Nicktoberfest (approx. 4600.00) + the 1000.00 to help with funding Religious Education.

Christmas Program at Theis' Barn: The Christmas program tentatively to be held this year has been canceled due to time constraints. Discussion will be held with appropriate parties in 2023 if program/play can be held at Christmas 2023.

Rosary on KASM: Payment was made for funding the rosary on KASM. Our week will be mid-January.

Regional Member Gathering: Annette and Dave Stang attended this event back in October in Rogers, MN. About 35 people attended. Nice gathering that takes place the 2 years between the triennial Catholic United conference.

Nativity Statues Refurbished: Mary and Doug Caskey took care of finding an artist to refurbish/paint the parishes nativity statues. They will be back for this year's Christmas season. CUPVT used the money from last year's soup and sandwich supper and added the balance from our account to pay for this.

New Business:

Religious Education Supper: Discussion was held to provide the supper to RE families for one of the upcoming classes. Dave Stang reported that he will be holding a "Young Family's Workshop" and coordinate both be held on the same night.

Winter/Spring Activity: The team will try to sponsor an event held around an “art activity” during the early spring months. Brenda Kraemer volunteered to head up research and report back to the team.

Msgr. Schuller Donation: Betty made a motion to donate 100.00 to the Msgr Schuller fund in 2023. Trish seconded. Motion carried.

Food Shelf Crisis: Mary Caskey reported on information she received from the Cold Spring Food Shelf. The food shelf is VERY low on provisions and is asking local committees for donations. It was decided we would ask for a second collection to be taken on Sunday Dec 11 with all those monies going to the food shelf in Cold Spring. Trish made a motion, seconded by Karen to match donations up to 250.00 from our fund. Announcements will be put in the bulletin on Dec 4 and made at mass to ask people to please be generous for this collection.

March 2023: Food Shelf Battles: Kelly spoke to the committee about having a Food Shelf Donation Battle with Kimball in March 2023. She will work out the details with them. We will try to create a “Traveling Trophy” for the winning team.

Sharing the meeting minutes on the parish’s website: Mike asked about maybe putting the minutes of this group’s meeting on the website. Everyone thought that was a good idea. He will add them 1 week after they are sent to members, plus try to add the past meeting’s minutes in an archived folder on the website.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betty Lutgen