

Altar Society Meeting – December 14, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Janet Chalupa with 7 members present.

The minutes from the November meeting were read by Sharon Hernandez. Joan Wiese made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Kim Adair seconded the motion.

The financial report was read by Joan Wiese. The beginning balance was \$2492.03. Our income was \$20.00 from four memberships, \$92.00 from the spaghetti supper, \$48.00 from the tailgate party, \$294.63 from Advent evening and \$523.87 from the bake sale. Total income was \$978.50. Our expenses were \$194.72 to Sams Club and \$16.13 to Metz Baking Co., both used for the Gathering Table. Expenses for Advent Evening were \$57.50 to Sams Club and \$71.83 to Norine Munoz. Other expenses included \$22.41 to Walmart for disposable cameras and dish towels, \$21.19 to Ace Hardware for dish towels, \$13.90 to Julie Brezenski for envelopes and printing, \$20.19 to Office Max for sign holders. Total expenses were \$417.87. Our ending balance was \$3052.66. Julie Brezenski made a motion to approve the financial report. Geri Zaruba seconded it.

Old business discussed included craft expenses from Advent Evening, which were purchased through the CLC budget this year. We spent \$250.00 on seven crafts. We will ask Therese next year if she wants to continue to provide the funds for the crafts. Approximately 100 children went through the craft rooms. We discussed changing our \$5.00 per family "donation" to a free will offering next year. We made six roasters of soup and served only 4-5 of them. The extra soup was sold at the bake sale the following weekend. We made 80 hot dogs and served 64. We will only use one can of nacho cheese sauce next year.

The bake sale went well but we had a lot of items left over. We will offer the remaining cookies to Mike Follmer to be used for the ARC dinners, the brownies to Michaeline Iverson for the youth group and we will contact John Schroll to see if the extra loaves of bread could be used at the Knights of Columbus Christmas Eve dinner.

New business discussed included the Giving Tree. The gifts will be delivered next weekend. The fruit baskets will be assembled Dec. 20. Jean has plenty of help signed up. The annual soup supper is scheduled for Jan. 30, 2010. Jan. 7 is noodle making day from 3-9 p.m. Carole Tarnish will be contacted in regards to advertising in the Grand Island Independent and the West Nebraska Register. We have decided to increase our prices to \$6.00/adults, \$3.50/children 4-10, free/children 3 and under, \$5.00 for adults 65 and older, \$20.00 family maximum for immediate family only. We need to discuss with our ticket takers what constitutes immediate family. We will discuss some options for carry out orders and drive through service at our next meeting. We decided to eliminate the Country Store this year. Joan Wiese will again be in charge of the bake sale. The Ministry Fair will be held in conjunction with the soup supper again this year. We need to update the Altar Society poster. We can do this during the January meeting. The quilt raffle drawing will be held on Jan. 31, 2010.

It was suggested that we try combining the tailgate party with the spaghetti supper next fall and perhaps scheduling it on a Wed. night to kick off the CLC year.

Our next meeting will be held Jan. 11, 2010. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

