

Human Concerns Committee Minutes
November 13, 2018
At St. Rose Parish

Members Present: Tina Lorge, Kathy Akey, Elaine Schuler, Linda Marach, Kathy Mitchell, Jackie Fandrey, Joie Erdmann, Pat Dougherty, Jeane Girodiana, Yvonne Rohan, Cindy Rohan, Sr. Pauline Feiner, Linda Portnoy, Peg Nerby

Opening Prayer: Elaine Schuler

Grief Support Group: Linda P. reported the fall sessions was finished and evaluations were positive. Spring session is on the calendar.

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Goodfellow's: Linda M. confirmed the reverse collection dates as 11/24-11/25. Pack-up date is 12/11 at 12:00 at St. Rose. Volunteers signed up to help. St. Mary's will deliver donations to St. Rose on or before 12/11, although St. Rose members offered to help with pick up if there were any conflicts with getting the items together for the packing date. Linda stated that the Goodfellow's served 190 units or families with a total over 600 people. The Goodfellow's project serves individuals in the Clintonville/Marion school district, accepts phone applications only, has a Board of Directors and provided information about the collection in local newspapers, printed information to the schools, Meals on Wheels, homebound, etc. Linda made an information poster and displayed it at St. Rose. St. Rose students have again agreed to collect toys to donate to the project.

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Veteran Recognition: Jackie reported on the St. Rose reception and thanked everyone that helped with the project. There was an ample amount of baked goods leftover and donated to the PCCW Soup and Bake Sale the next weekend. Tina L. indicated positive response from St. Mary's veterans and the committee discussed the possibility of having student-made cards to give to the veterans next year.

Graduate Cards: Peg said Nancy Brewer had 3 students respond and their information will be in the bulletin. Christmas cards will be sent to home addresses.

Cards for King; Members brought in cards and calendars. Elaine Schuler will deliver them to King.

Pro-Life: A possible diaper collection was discussed last month for a pro-life project. Jackie researched several potential agencies that could benefit from diaper donations. The Pregnancy Information Center (previously located in Waupaca and a prior recipient of collections) is no longer operating. The Domestic Violence Center, Shawano, WI, could use larger sized diapers. The Clintonville Food Pantry would be open to accepting some diapers, although their space is limited. Sr. Pauline suggested the Fox Valley Mother and Baby Care as a potential resource, as well, as Harbor House. The 'baby bottle' monetary collection is a popular project with the proceeds going to any organization of choice, such as, Respect Life, etc. These suggestions will be researched. A blood donation drive was discussed. Tina L. will ask about the blood mobile details as it does come to her place of employment. Discussions will be on-going at future meetings.

Homebound Christmas: Elaine S. reported on the PCCW Christmas gift project for homebound members. She has purchased fleece blankets of which \$125 was covered and had 4 more blankets to yet purchase. She requested approximately \$40 to cover the remaining cost of the purchases. The committee allowed additional blankets to be purchased with Elaine and Yvonne R. submitting the amounts to be reimbursed rather than issuing a SCRIP card.

Homebound Card List: The committee confirmed a living arrangement of a Homebound person. Pat Schley has updated list and will review at Feb. meeting.

Leadership Direction: Tina L. stated she would 'pray on her decision' to chair the HC Committee. She will chair the Feb. 2019 meeting.

NO MEETING IN DEC. 2018 AND JAN. 2019

NEXT HC MEETING IS TUES. FEB. 12, 2109 AT ST. MARY'S, BEAR CREEK

Kathy Mitchell offered to provide opening prayer for the Feb. meeting.

There was a suggestion to use name tags again to assist new members.

Closing Prayer: Prayed by all members

Submitted by Jackie Fandrey

**Hardcopy sent to Debbie Berwig and Annette Young.