



St. Pius X Women's Group Meeting Notes
Tuesday, February 5, 2008

The mission of the St. Pius X Women's Group is to offer all women of St. Pius X, regardless of age or marital status, a setting in which to meet, socialize, share interests, provide service, and become more involved in their parish and their faith.

For questions or concerns contact:

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Social (6:30 – 7:00 pm.)

Opening Prayer – Janet Beauvias

GUIDANCE. Janet passed out little slips of paper that spelled the word “GUIDANCE” and read a little prayer that went with it to the group.

Ice Breaker – N/A

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Faith Sharing - Toni Binzak

Some of the members shared a “GOD” moment they recently had.

Business - Toni Binzak led the business section of the meeting.

There were 9 people in attendance.

Women's Awards

Mary Sullivan presented write ups (without names) from the nomination forms that were submitted. The group was asked to read the write ups for each award and submit a vote. The winner was determined by the most votes received for each individual award. The results are:

2008 Appreciation Award – recipient is Shirley Ardell.

2008 Woman of the Year Award – recipient is Gail Heyrman.

Again this year, Barb Lauer took care of ordering the plaques for each recipient, as well as the plates for the plaques that are displayed in the parish entrance. The plaques will be presented at the **Breakfast with the Girls**, Sunday, February 10.

The winners will be announced in the mass bulletin, as well as at masses the following weekend, February 16 & 17. Mary Sullivan is handling details.

Fr. Girotti Thank You

Our group is planning on putting together some type of basket for Fr. Girotti to thank him for presenting the ***Know Your Faith Series*** at St. Pius. Our plans were to present the basket and provide snacks for the last session, March 13. However, due to bad weather, the schedule is now 1 week off and the series will probably go for another week.

We will discuss at our March meeting if we want to keep March 13, or do the official last one, March 20.

Sr. Shawn's Christmas Giving Project

Sandy Buchanich met with Sister Shawn, and it was decided that the Women's Group will take ownership of the Giving Tree project. Sr. Shawn is more than happy to give up the reins. We thank her for many years of service and commitment to the Giving Tree project.

Sandy agreed to project manage the program, but will need assistance, as well as a commitment from members of the Women's Group, September through December, to help with the many tasks involved.

Sr. Shawn has everything documented and offered to mentor us this year, under Sandy's guidance and direction. We will start to work on the Giving Tree Project at our September 2008 meeting.

The Giving Tree supports Brewster Village, Little Angels Child Care, Winnebago Mental Health Center and 25-30 families.

Breakfast with the Girls (Sunday, February 10, 2008 | New Fellowship Hall)

Budget (food, decorations, entertainment, ticket cost) – headed by Judy Simon

- As of Feb. 3, we have \$525 in our budget to cover expenses. That does not include money from ticket sales sold "at the door".
- The Women's Group received a \$200 gift from Men's Club for start up. Toni Binzak did send them a thank you card to express our appreciation.
- We originally budgeted for 200 people, however based on ticket pre-sales, we decided to lower our count to budget for 125-150.
- New budget amounts: strata \$100; 240 cinnamon rolls \$40; fruit \$50+; 6 gallons apple juice \$30; 3 gallons milk and coffee \$20. Need to buy creamer and sugar.

Theme/Decorations (Valentine colors, hearts, center pieces) – headed by Bea Otto

- Party favors have been done and all decorations have been purchased.
- Members from the group will be meeting on Sat. Feb. 9 from 1-4 to help decorate.

Entertainment – headed by Toni Binzak

- Entertainment will be last on the agenda.
- Will need to set up a podium and microphone (Barb Rogers knows how to do this)

Menu/beverages – Barb Rogers & Kathy Hyman

- Because fresh fruit is so expensive this time of year, it was decided to go with canned tropical fruit and mixed in mandarin oranges and bananas. Green and red grapes will also be offered.
- Strata will be made for 100 people, rather than 200.
- 240 cinnamon rolls - minimum that can be purchased (extras will be sold or given away)
- Mini muffins will be baked by a few members of group
- Food will be served family style at the table. Fruit will be in bowls, Strata on plates or platters, juice and milk in pitchers, coffee in carafes, muffins in baskets and cinnamon rolls on plates.
- Members from the group will be meeting on Sat. Feb. 9 from 1-4 to help with food prep.

Serve and clean up – headed by Toni Binzak

- Scouts will be doing all the clean up. No servers are needed.
- We will feed the scouts to thank them for their assistants.

Tickets – headed by Sandy Buchanich.

- The parish office has been getting calls asking if tickets can be purchased at the office. We told the parish staff to keep a list for us so we have a count and inform the callers that they can purchase their ticket(s) at the door.

Promoting the Event (flyer in bulletin, ticket sales after masses) – headed by Carrie Kools

- We sold 59 tickets before masses the weekends of Jan 26/27 and Feb. 2/3.
- Rick Simon did talk about the Breakfast at masses. **Thank you Rick!!**
- Next year we will start getting the word out sooner and look into doing posters to advertise.

Other

- Will need keys for Saturday to get in the Building & Kitchen to set up for Breakfast
- Survey – Toni Binzak is working on finalizing
- Comment Cards – Carrie Kools is putting together and they will be placed at the tables at the Breakfast with Toni's survey. Feed back will help us to plan for next year. Mary Sullivan is putting together a box to collect the comment cards.
- Toni is working on finalizing her speech for the Breakfast
- Flow of the Breakfast (welcome by Toni, prayer, eat, Toni's speech, Mary Sullivan will announce award recipients followed by entertainment)

Closing Prayer - Toni Binzak

Next Meeting – March 4, 2008

Social 6:30 – 7:00

Meeting 7:00 – 8:30

- † Social – beverage/snack provided by: **Contact Tony Binzak if you would like to do**
- † Ice Breaker – **Contact Tony Binzak if you would like to do**
- † Faith Sharing – **Contact Tony Binzak with your thoughts or ideas**
- † Business –
 - “Breakfast with the Girls” – discuss what went well, what didn't. Will we do again next year? Read comment cards.
 - Fr. Girotti Basket (Thank You) – finalize details for either March 13 or 20th.
 - Discuss our group providing snacks for the last Fr. Girotti *Know Your Faith* session on March 13 or 20th. Need 6-8 items total, some healthy, some sweet.
- † Opening and Closing Prayer – **Contact Tony Binzak if you would like to do**

Submitted by,

Carrie Kools
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