

**PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
May 2, 2019**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- Welcome and meeting called to order by Carol Steinis at 11:00 AM.
- Opening Prayer: Prayer to Saint Catherine LaBoure' led by Louanna Sowa.
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Sabina Kowalski.
- Debbie Clatterbuck, Co-Chair of Membership confirmed that we have a quorum.

MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE

Secretary, Lisa Skorzewski

- The minutes of April 4, 2019 were posted on the WC website and presented to the membership.
- The minutes stood as written and were accepted for file by Carol Steinis.
- Thank you cards/correspondence received since our last meeting were acknowledged and displayed on the bulletin board during the meeting. Excerpt from Tidelands letter read to the membership.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer, Mary Sacavage

BALANCE IN ACCOUNT		\$ 36,568.25
• Pennies from Heaven	\$ 202.88	
• Craft Fair for Grants	\$ 13,212.42	
• 2019 Craft Fair pre-paid vendor income	\$ 3,220.00	
• Grant Fund carry over 2017-2018	\$ 2,224.17	
• Capital Allocations (closet)	\$ 949.20	
• Donation	\$ 355.93	
• Spaghetti Dinner & Bar	\$ 00	
• Auction	\$ 00	
• 2019 Fashion Show	\$ 10,359.64	
• Grants Luncheon	\$ 552.00	
Total Allocated	\$ 31,078.24	\$(31,078.24)
Available working balance in operating fund:		\$ 5,490.01

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Carol Steinis

- Copies of revised agenda placed on the tables for the membership.
- Today we will vote on a new treasurer and vote to approve the Grant Funds. Both very important parts of this Women's Club. Carol thanked all those involved.
- At our board meeting, we started the process of organizing all documentation regarding the committees in this club. This will make it easier for those who step forward to chair an event or committee. Our closet organizers are also involved in this process.
- Palmetto Giving Day is May 7 in Georgetown. Many of our charities participate so you may want to take a trip to Georgetown that day. Festivities start at 3:00.
- Ann Carline was chairing the Scholarship Committee this year. The board was given 3 essays (anonymously) and we selected a winner: Neil Fico. The scholarship will be awarded at the Grants Luncheon.
- Note that our last meeting for the 2018-2019 year will be Thursday, June 6. The time will be 3 PM and we will have cocktail party food.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Pat Farkas

- June General meeting will be a cocktail party at 3:00 PM
- Our annual Grants Luncheon to be held Tuesday, June 4 at Kimbels. Sign up sheets and payment envelope are on the back table along with entrée choices. Please do not sign up unless payment is made. Reservations and payment will be accepted until May 28. Just send Pat an email and let her know of your intent to come and send her payment. Payment will not be accepted at the luncheon.
- Reel Time this month will be on May 14th. Our feature presentation is Crazy Rich Asians and the cost is \$3 for the movie, snacks and pizza. Please join us!
- There is a sign up sheet for helping with the Welcome Tea to be held August 25. An organizational meeting will be held Tuesday June 11 at 10:00.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Sabina Kowalski

- Sign up sheets for Hobcaw Barony Trip on May 13 are on the back table.
- Cost is \$20 and due today to participate in the outing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Appointed Officers

1. **Membership**, Debbie Clatterbuck
 - 157 renewed/sustaining members, 4 new members for 182 Total paid members.
 - 73 Members in attendance today at this meeting.
 - 2 Raffle prizes: Winners were Sabina Kowalski and Helen Eichelberg.
2. **Ways and Means**, Yvonne Chadwick
 - Yvonne is selling Belk Charity Day Tickets for \$5. When you purchase a ticket, you receive a brochure with the percentages off merchandise. In addition, you would also get the \$5 returned to you off the sale price. It's a WIN WIN situation...Buy a ticket, get sale reduction, \$5 credit on your purchase and our club gets the \$5 back.
 - 100% of all the money collected by the ticket sale goes to the Women's Club to continue to support the club and all our charitable projects.
 - On May 4, Yvonne will be working at Belk to enable us to be part of the Fair Share of monies collected for tickets on the sale day. Past years we have received between \$150-\$200 for approximately 2 hours of work.
3. **Spiritual Facilitators**, Louanna Sowa and Linda Petrocco
 - Speedy Spirituals: Talk on the Miraculous Medal by Father Paul.
 - Remind members to attend the Miraculous Medal Novena each Wednesday after daily mass at the church.
 - Remind members to attend the Divine Mercy Chaplet the first Friday of each month in the Confessional at 3:00 PM

Appointed Committee Chairs

1. **Refreshments**, Carole Kaczynski, Deb O'Brien and Claire Turner
 - Menu for today will include Spring Trio Salad plate along with an assortment of cookies.
 - Melanie Bulman coordinated the lunch along with her many volunteers.
2. **Grants**, Mary Kinzie
 - A list of 18 Grant applicants, their project/purpose and the award recommended by the committee was placed on each table for membership to review.
 - Discussion and questions by the membership. Member questioned why Miss Ruby's Kids were recommended an award when they already receive many funds from other sources. Explanation: they met all the criteria of our current application.
 - Sherry Marnell made a motion to accept the Recommendation, seconded by Pam Bilella followed by a unanimous vote by the membership.
3. **Nominating Committee/ Elections**, Marianne Anderson
 - Ballots distributed to elect a new treasurer. Collected and counted by Barbara Gagne, Betsey Powers, and Joan Brice. The winner was Anne Marie Reid.
 - Voted by show of hands to re-elect VP, 2nd VP and Secretary all running unopposed.

Special Projects

1. **Fashion Show, Nancy Szarowicz and Carole Kaczynski**

- Fashion Show was a success considering the change in venue. Profited \$10,559
- Feedback was both positive and negative related to food choices, arrangement of tables, models, and music.
- Prize ticket sales resulted \$4110. The mannequin prize was unique and took in more than any other special prize we have had in the past, around \$625. Nancy has purchased 2 additional mannequins from a store going out of business at a great price for future use.
- Prize Patrol collected over \$18,000 worth of prizes which made up the 37 baskets and 4 golf packages.
- Decoration committee was very frugal. They came in under budget of \$600 by using material from past fashion shows that were stored in the attic.
- Linda Maxwell, a reporter for the Georgetown Times attended, took pictures and wrote a very nice article of the fashion show which was featured on the front and inside cover.
- We already have our chairs in line for next year, Camie Delaney and Teresa Looman.

2. **Joy School, Claire Turner**

- Joy School is a summer program for special needs students held every summer. Our club has signed up to prepare meals for the first week, June 18-21.
- Sign up sheets are on the back table. Help is still needed for Friday lunch.

3. **Hope Ball, Jessica Dezendorf and Kathy Morris**

- Decorating the PLC will take place May 9 at 1:00; help still needed.
- Everyone is invited to attend the dance on May 10 from 5:00 to 8:30 to greet the attendees and mingle.

OLD BUSINESS

- At our last Board Meeting we have received several suggestions regarding Donations. It was decided to ask Fr. Paul for his input. We have \$202 in Pennies from Heaven. A suggestion was made by a member, Joannie Penny to purchase a new crucifix for the PLC. When we spoke to Fr. Paul about this he agreed with this suggestion. Carol requested that someone from the membership make a motion to use \$200 from Pennies from Heaven funds to purchase a new crucifix for the PLC. A motion was made by Judy Zachar, seconded by Kathy Knittel and a show of hands by members approved the motion to purchase a new crucifix for the PLC.
- We also have \$355 in additional donations that were given to the WC during the year. We have already purchased kitchen supplies with some of this money. Another suggestion was to purchase a new faucet in the PLC kitchen. Apparently it sprays water when turned on. Several members in the WC agree that this is needed. Carol spoke to Rocky who also agrees. Rocky did some research and he found a faucet for \$358 but there is an additional \$100 to install. Opened to further discussion on this. Another suggestion was made to replace some of the altar pieces that are not in good condition for the Easter Mass that was held in the PLC. Fr. Paul does not think this is a wise use of the money since it only happens once a year. Opened to further discussion.
- Carol asked that someone make a motion to purchase the faucet for the PLC with the remainder of the donation funds and the additional money to install would be taken

from our operating funds. Joan Brown made a motion to purchase a new faucet for the PLC, seconded by Linda Cimadon. Majority vote by show of hands from the membership to approve purchase and installation of the faucet for the PLC kitchen.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- First Friday Adoration and Divine Mercy, May 3
- Reel Time Movie, May 14 at 11 AM at PLC
- Sip N Chat, May 16 at Season's Club House 4-6 PM
- Board Meeting, May 23 at 9:15 PLC
- Grants Luncheon, June 4 at Kimbels
- General Meeting, June 6 at 3:00 pm at PLC

CLOSING PRAYER

- Closing Prayer to Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and Prayer before the meal led by Linda Petrocco.
- Meeting adjourned at 12:15.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Skorzewski
Secretary

Carol Steinis
President