

St. Christopher Conference
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Meeting Minutes for April 28, 2016

ATTENDEES: Larry Raab, Ken Kenyon, Jolene Kenyon, Mark Rayha, Ryan Zakrzewski, Mary Yeiser, Bill Schneider

OPENING PRAYER AND SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: Bill Schneider

Reflection on the topic of God's Will from the Golden Counsels of St Francis de Sales booklet

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: Corrections to spelling of Julie's last name (Bie, not Bies), and dates of Pick-A-Pack event (April 29-May 1, not April 29-May 2)

OFFERING AND FINANCIAL REPORT: No report

1. An offering was taken from the members present
2. Larry did tell us that we received a generous donation of \$500 from the parish

DISTRICT REPORT: Larry Raab

1. Blessing of the SVdP garden on May 15
2. Care Café Fundraiser Breakfast on March 29 was well attended. UW football coach, Paul Cryst, was the guest speaker. \$80,000 was raised at the event.
3. Membership committee recruitment will be on May 5
4. Verona store is expanding the drive thru area and adding a raised loading dock
5. The pantry report showed that numbers were down for home visits, furniture requests and food pantry visits last month. Pharmacy visits were up.
6. A book study is planned for this summer. The book Evicted, which shows how the struggle to maintain a place to live affects every aspect of people's lives, will be read. Contact Gayle for more information.
7. North Central Regional Meeting will be in Fargo, ND on June 23-25. The district will be taking a bus and the cost to members to ride the bus will be \$70.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Membership Ken Kenyon
Ken will check the SVdP data base to see which of our members have had new member orientation and home visitor training.
2. Social Ryan Zakrzewski
Possible summer picnic on Aug 25

HOME VISITS:

1. Larry and Marge did one visit and Larry also did a revisit to a client who did not get the bed that he requested. Larry gave him a voucher to Dig and Save.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Spring Training/Ozanam's Birthday Mary Yeiser, Laura Zakrzewski and Joe Amato attended the member orientation in the morning and Mary, Laura, Joe and Julie Bie attended home visitor training in the afternoon.
2. Rosalie Rendezvous Debby LaBerge attended the event held at Benvenuto's on April 18.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Pick-A-Pack Weekend America's Best Flowers on Cottage Grove Road will donate 50 cents to SVdP for every 4 pack purchased on April 29-May 1. Customers can also purchase a 4 pack of veggies and donate it to the SVdP gardens.
2. Summer Food Drive Next food drive will be June 25-26. We will hand out bags after the Masses on June 18-19.

CLOSING PRAYER AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF OUR MEMBERS: All

SUBMITTED BY: Jolene Kenyon, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting will be Saturday, May 14 at 9am in the parish center.

Calendar of SVDP

- May 14 - 9 am St. Christopher Conference Meeting
- May 15 Garden Party / Garden Blessing
- May 24 - 6:45 pm District Council Meeting
- May 26 - 7 pm St. Christopher Conference Meeting
- June 23-25 North Central Regional Meeting