

Holy Family Good Neighbor Project Meeting Minutes for May 7, 2019

Members Present: Gail Hedges, Janice Rupp, Deborah Johnson, Chris Baker, Marla Ryan, Diane Rash
Elaine Meyer, Kathy McConnell, Claire Robinson, Patty Miller

Opening Prayer – Gail Hedges **Minutes of Last Meeting** – Approved

Finances/Assistance – We helped with the following in April, 2019

Rent Assistance - \$266.00

Utility Assistance (gas, water, electric) - \$684.29 (7 people helped)

Food Assistance \$300.00 (15 - \$20 food vouchers)

Miscellaneous - \$100.00 (Kord Pearson – friend of Chad Volmert – for kidney transplant – given 4/1/19)

\$200.00 – funeral assistance

\$174.00 – Trash bill

Total Assistance of \$1,724.29

Income: \$607.77 represented 25% of Rice Bowl to be used for assistance to those in need

\$190.00 generous donations to Good Neighbor Project

\$797.77 Total Income

Fundraisers/Collections

Mother's Day Flowers – We will sell white, pink and red carnations on Mother's Day weekend at all the Masses. Claire has ordered the flowers and she and Elaine will pick them up. Members signed up at the previous meeting to work.

Auction – Holy Family GNP Auction (our main fundraiser) is scheduled for Saturday, September 28th. Patty brought up an idea for the fundraiser. Members liked the idea and we will work on it in the coming months for the GNP Auction.

Requests for Assistance

Elaine knows a family who is in need of a refrigerator. We have one in our storage unit. All members agreed that Elaine should offer it for donation to the family in need.

Diane made a request for a need of adult coloring books, word search books, and markers for residents in a care facility. The residents receive very little money per month. The books and markers help with their therapy. Members felt this was a great need and voted to donate the adult coloring books and markers. Diane will check on price and Good Neighbor would cover the cost. Members commented that these could be found at Dollar Tree for a reasonable price.

New Business

Discussion on purchase of gift cards for Fr. Mike to handout to those in need when he is approached after Mass, etc. Members felt that as part of his ministry he would accept cards if given by individuals to use for those in need, but would not want us to purchase cards with funds from Good Neighbor. Group decided not to purchase cards at this time through GNP.

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New Business (cont.)

Diane Elam of Catholic Charities will be speaking with Tri-County Alliance to discuss needs in Northeast Missouri. Claire will attend this meeting.

Discussion on moving of large items within our storage facility. Would like to get a list of men who would be willing to help (when needed) to move items from the facility to the homes of those in need. Will work on this list in the coming months.

Closing Prayer – Deborah Johnson

Next Meeting – 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 4, 2019 in the Conference Room at the Parish Center.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Patty Miller, GNP Sec.