

WOMEN OF TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH

MEETING 01/14/2020

14 JANUARY 2020 / 10:00 AM / PARISH HALL

ATTENDEES

Twenty (20) women of the parish attended the meeting.

AGENDA

Karen Lutze opened the meeting with a prayer for the new officers.

Old Business

1. Organization Name -- Following discussion of several suggestions for a name for our organization, President, Patsy Harran, conducted a vote of those present. Our official name will be “Women of Transfiguration Church”, abbreviated WOTC.
2. Draft Organizational Guidelines -- Patsy then reviewed several suggested changes to the draft organizational guidelines including elimination of the Event Committee and the Communication liaison as the duties/functions overlap with other roles. The changes proposed were approved by the members present at the meeting. The guidelines will be revised accordingly and forwarded to Father Randy to be forwarded to the Bishop for official approval.

New Business

- Program Committee -- Cheryl Partyka discussed the activities that have been planned for 2020 by the Program Committee. Several additional suggestions were made and those suggestions will be incorporated in future planning. All planned events for 2020 now have a chair/coordinator. The schedule of events and who is in charge will be published on the website. Cheryl P. encouraged members to notify the Program Committee of suggested activities for the organization so that they can be considered and incorporated in future planning. The Program

Committee will conduct a survey toward the end of the year to gain ideas for 2021 as well. Cheryl P. also noted that Joan Korman agreed to serve as Chair of the Program Committee for 2020 so members should funnel their ideas to Joan.

- Refreshment Signup -- Patsy circulated a signup sheet for members to signup for refreshments. This list will be posted on the website.
- Souper Sunday -- Diane Nizamoff suggested that we consider doing a Souper Sunday on Super Bowl Sunday (2/2/2020). Parishioners would be asked to bring a can of soup and \$1 to church that weekend. All proceeds would go to the Food Pantry. Karen Lutze agreed to create 4 flyers to be posted on the doors to the church and the parish hall. An announcement will be placed in the Bulletin and an email blast will be sent to inform parishioners.
- WOTC Book -- Julia Callahan noted that as the church historian, she maintains a book of the activities of the Knights. She recommended that she create a book for our organization as well. This idea was approved by those members present at the meeting. The book will likely be “pink” in color.
- Annual Mass for Life -- Donna Davis reminded members that she is coordinating a group to attend the Annual Mass for Life with Bishop Zamara on Saturday, January 18th at the Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral in Raleigh. The group is meeting at the Church at 9AM to carpool to the event which starts at 11AM. Those interested in attending with the group should contact Donna.

PRESENTATION

- Trisha Dean provided a very informative presentation on NICU. As the mother of an infant that spent 40+ days in the NICU, she is now a member of the Family Advisory Council for the NICU & Antepartum at Cameron Hospital in Wilmington. Being in the NICU changes your life forever. The unit has 45 private rooms. 950 babies are cared for in the NICU annually. The Advisory Council (around 20 members) does whatever they can to make the NICU stay better for moms, babies, and families. They are funded completely by donations. No funding comes from the hospital. They provide meals on special days (i.e. Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter), provide Christmas baskets, Easter baskets, and a number of other activities to help ease the burden. The Council maintains a stash

of baby supplies and furniture for those in need. All items must be “like new”. Trisha noted that 36x36 baby quilts are needed (each baby in the NICU is given one). For those who sew, “nursing covers” are also needed for breastfeeding. Anyone wishing to assist the NICU in any way should contact Trisha as she can advise regarding what is needed and make sure that donations, etc. get to their appropriate destination.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 10 AM. Program will be Krazy Kards with RSVPs needed by February 4th.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Homan, WOTC Secretary