

ST PERPETUA OUTREACH COMMITTEE MINUTES
February 6, 2018

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Members Present: Joan Liston, Sandi Gritzer, Kitty Locke, Pat Snyder, Mary Terjeson (Chairperson), Ann Diemer (Treasurer/Secretary), Diane Hansen, Carol Weyer

Welcome and Opening Prayer: Mary welcomed everyone and handed out a prayer about remembering all poor and neglected people and we prayed it together.

Speaker: Guest speaker: No Speaker Today

Future Speakers:

There was a discussion of possible future speakers. Ann D. expressed an interest in Options for Women, she or Karen will get in touch with them.

Correspondence and Agency Updates: All / Joan / Mary

1. We got thank you notes from several agencies including Meals on Wheels/SOS, Monument Crisis Center, and Options for Women.
2. Request from St. Vincent de Paul – There was further discussion of St V de P need for donations to reopen their Pleasant Hill Store. Sandi had contacted them and they are still months away from opening so people would have to deliver donations to East County. All agreed we should wait until the Pleasant Hill store is closer to reopening and possibly do some outreach to Parish to encourage donations.

Financial Report & Fund Distribution: Ann D

Fifth Sundays: 4/29, 7/29, 9/30, and 12/30

Ann worked with the new business manager, Wendy Levich, to get monthly report and happily all numbers were in agreement with past outreach reports during this transition. Since last meeting there was a special collection for Winter Nights, which raised \$2547, of which \$325 has already been forwarded because checks were written to Winter Nights. The remainder of \$2222. will be forwarded to Winter Nights after we complete our assignment helping at the site (Feb 6-12th) and ensure that there are no reimbursements due our volunteers.

The balance in the Outreach account at the end of January was \$6567. After the Winter Nights donations are subtracted, there are enough funds for seven additional \$500 donations, which will leave \$845 in the account. These seven \$500 donations will be distributed to the following agencies, for a total of \$3500 in additional donations:

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1. STAND
2. Trinity Center
3. We Care
4. Youth Homes
5. Bay Area Crisis Nursery
6. Bay Area Rescue Mission
7. CCIC

Food Basket: Kitty / Virginia

- The January – 13th and 14th collection of soups and ramen yielded 30 bags which went to Monument Crisis Center.
- The new food list was included as a handout in the Sunday bulletin at one of the masses in January.
- The February 10/11 collection will be for pasta and spaghetti sauces and will go to St. Vincent de Paul food pantry.

Blue Barrel: All

Mary checked with parish office to see which dates are available in Feb / March and basically any weekend will work up until Palm Sunday. After some discussion it was decided that the weekend of March 17/18 would be best as it would give us more time to get publicity done and get organized! Due to storage issues, it was discussed that we should stick to relatively small/light items such as women and [men's](#) underwear and socks and baby wipes. The charities that could benefit from these items would include Trinity Center, Friendly Manor and Project Hope. Carol will work on a flyer for the Bulletin.

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Winter Nights: All

Karen was absent for meeting but she is the Parish lead and we have responsibility for February 6th-12th. Signups and cash were collected at a mass in January. Karen has not indicated a need for any further assistance. There are funds available in the Outreach account, as discussed earlier, for any additional reimbursements (in addition to the cash collected at Mass) that may be necessary for our volunteers for food etc.

Shoes that Fit: Carol

Carol reported that a second list is expected from the new school Willow Cove by about February 17. There have been 89 pairs of shoes collected so far this year. There has been one collection for Willow Cove so far and two for Los Medanos.

Other: Mary

- **Annual Report:** Mary passed out a draft of the annual report which she had also forwarded in an earlier email. [We added Friendly Manor lunches as a volunteer opportunity on the back page under "Activities include:"](#). Everyone was happy with the content and thanked Mary for her efforts in pulling the information together.
- **Friendly Manor Lunches:** After our [initial](#) lunch prepared on January 26, 2018, Karen has received a lot of interest. Based on this, the Committee was comfortable with the Committee agreeing to provide lunch once a month on the fourth Friday of the month. At this point, Karen is reporting she has enough volunteers to cover the next several months. If she is having any difficulty, she can bring her needs back to the Committee at a future meeting. [The idea of adding another date for lunch was discussed and decided to wait to see how things go for a couple of months. Also the idea of possibly paying for some of the food in the future was brought up by Mary and will be for future discussion.](#)
- **Reference List of Charities:** Mary has updated the large spread sheet containing all pertinent information on each of the charities that we support. Instead of printing, we will be attaching to the minutes for those who are interested in having a copy.

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Shelter Dinners: Ann D

The January meal was prepared by Monica Chappell and transported and served by Barbara Price and Trina Audley and the Audley family. There was one miscommunication in that office staff were not aware that they should accept the warming boxes from the Shelter and put them outside the Parish Office where the volunteer transporters will be responsible for picking them up and going to the home of the chef to collect the food before transporting to the Shelter.

Publicity: Sandi and Carol

Sandi has everything she needs for Publicity. Carol will put together a flyer for the Blue Barrel in time to be an insert in the Bulletin to advertise the collection the weekend of March 16/17.

Closing Prayer: The meeting was ended with group prayer of the Hail Mary.

Next Meeting: March 6, 2018, Chairperson will likely be Mary Terjeson. There is a small chance Mary will be out of town. She will be in touch with Pat and Ann if needed re rotating the Chair for the March meeting.