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Women of St. Joseph

MARCH 2013



President's Message

Oh My Goodness!! It is March already. Time is just flying by too quickly—Easter is THIS MONTH!! Oh My Goodness!! It is almost time to “Spring Forward.” (Change your clocks before going to bed on Saturday, 3/9/13) My vegetable garden is just not sure what to do with all this sunshine. About a month ago my strawberries had blooms but they didn't produce. I really love this spring weather but feel guilty because we really need the rain.

See our list for the Coming Events as we will be filling Easter bags again and need your help. BRING YOUR CHILDREN AND YOUR HUSBANDS!!

Check our upcoming events for the next couple of months. We have some really fun and interesting speakers coming up. I hope you can find time for yourself to come to the meetings. I hope to see you soon.

Blessings and Hugs to you all,

Sherry Dunn
President

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS--- Mark Your Calendars!

Mar 19 2013	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Church Hall
	General Meeting	7:30pm	Church Hall
Speaker: Jean Morgan: Abode FILLING BASKETS/BAGS FOR ABODE			
Apr 16 2013	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Church Hall
	General Meeting	7:30pm	Church Hall
Speaker: Paul de Groot, paraplegic			

Membership Notes

Those ladies that have not yet paid the June 2012 - June 2013, please send a check to Diana Skokan. The dues still remain at \$20 for the entire year, which is from June 1 to May 31, according to the by-laws.

Financial contribution by joining the WOSJ is valued; to support the WOSJ's various charities, events; even though the member may not be able to actively participate.



Helping Hands

If you know anyone that would like to attend our meetings and/or events but needs transportation, please contact Liz Hormel (656-8495). She will arrange for one of our members to assist in having the need met. Also, let Liz know of anyone needing help from WOSJ.

Women of St. Joseph polo shirts

Sherry has WOSJ polo shirts, if you would like to purchase one. The prices are according to size:

S-XL: \$16.75, 2XL: \$20.01, 3XL: \$23.28, 4XL: \$26.54.



LENTEN DAY OF RENEWAL, San Damiano, Danville

Friday, March 8th 9am-3pm

We will be attending an all-day retreat at San Damiano entitled 'Lenten Day of Renewal' on Friday, March 8th. The cost is \$30 per person and runs from 9am to 4pm. Anyone interested is requested to contact Nancy Newman at ncynrsern@gmail.com . We will meet at the church parking lot at 7:45am to coordinate transportation.



Abode Homeless Shelters

Tuesday, March 19th 7:30pm

Jean Morgan, from Abode Homeless Services, will be our speaker this month. We will also be filling Easter bags for the children at her facilities, so we will be collecting goodies for them that night. I will send an email reminder before the meeting on March 19th. You are always welcome to bring your children to the meeting to help fill the bags and learn about Abode.



Lenten Soup Night

Friday, March 22nd 6:00pm-7:00pm

The Women of St. Joseph will be providing soup, bread, and drinks for everyone attending the Stations of the Cross. Let Sherry Dunn know if you can help cook the soup or if you can provide bread or drinks.



Easter Vigil

March 30th

The WOSJ have been asked to help with the Easter Vigil this year. They are looking to have the WOSJ donate food/desserts for a light reception. If you have been to the Easter Vigil in the past, it will be the same.

If you are able to make and/or donate something, please let Sherry Dunn know as soon as possible. We will also need someone to coordinate the goodies on the night of the Easter Vigil as Sherry is serving as a sponsor for a child who is receiving 1st communion. Again, please let Sherry know if you can do this.



April Meeting

April 16th

Our speaker for this month is Paul de Groot, a paraplegic who uses a service dog. He will be talking about his journey as a paraplegic and will demonstrate how his dog helps him.

How It Went

Affordable Travel

Sara Rozanno, member of WOSJ, spoke on her experience with exchange clubs. She and her husband have done some extensive travel at very low costs and she shared with us how they do that. For example, one time she stayed in San Francisco for 7 days for \$140!!! Total. That included breakfast each day!!

Here are the links to her travel clubs-also very inexpensive. www.affordabletravelclub.net and www.homelink.org/usa. If you have any questions, I'm sure Sara would be happy to answer them for you at SRballet@hotmail.com



Happy Birthday to those born in MARCH

Olivares Alba	3/13	Fulks Gerry	3/19
Calkins Charlene	3/18	Kandefer Chris	3/19
Young Michele	3/18	Samuels Pat	3/19

Spiritual Corner

Spring

Signs of spring are everywhere,
 We see the earth awaken...
 Buds are bursting into bloom
 And Winter's chill is shaken...

Reminding us of Easter,
 A time of celebration...
 With praise for our Creator
 In every tribe and nation.

Springtime should be a challenge
 For us to find anew
 The vibrancy in living
 For God and others, too.

Anna M. Matthews
 Salesian Inspirational books

Nancy Newman
 Spiritual Chairperson



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