

CARING FELLOWSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, October 9, 2017

Present: Ruby Powell, Karen Morrow, Shari Minnich, Gay Fry, Pat Fry, Steve Dowd, Pastor Rachel Schwab, Patty Lewis, Carol Beery, Pat Frey and Gail Havens

Pat Frey and Carol Beery approved the September 11, 2017 meeting minutes.

Amish dinner at Esh's Country Kitchen – September 23, 2017 – We had 57 adults and 2 children attend the dinner. Some of the feedback we heard was that the food was better at Naomi's, but the space was better at Esh's. It was decided we would try to plan an Amish dinner night every two years. Pat Frey has the contact number for Naomi's so we will check with them for open dates in 2019.

Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner – Tuesday, November 7, 2017 – The sign-up board has been posted in the Great Hall. Council members were encouraged to sign up to help and also provide a dessert.

Advent Gift Bags - The article for collecting bite-sized chocolates has been posted in the Sunday yellow-wrap around. A collection bin has been placed in the hall outside the office. The collection period is from October 8 to November 12. Council will assemble the gift bags at our November 13 meeting starting early at 6:00 PM.

Mardi Gras Luncheon – February 11, 2018 – The colored tablecloths for the 2018 luncheon will be ordered early. A \$20 promotional gift card has been received from Oriental Trading so the tablecloths will be ordered in October to take advantage of the gift card. We will again have the colored fluted champagne glasses. Gail will check in January with our anonymous donor to see if they will sponsor the champagne for 2018. We will also provide sparkling grape juice.

Visiting Pastor Rachel's report – Rachel gave updates on several members who had been in the hospital or rehab and now are home. Rachel met with some members on September 25 regarding congregational care needs. A main concern is loneliness. It was discussed about having people who could make visits. It is being researched regarding any liability of volunteers going into people's homes. Rachel performed funeral services for Jane McCoy and the mother of Ben Hoff's girlfriend. Services for both were held at the funeral homes. Rachel is continuing to hold her bible study group. She currently has twelve people attending.

New Business - It had been suggested to a council member about having another evening at Allenberry. Since the resort has reopened, council will research the possibility of doing a dinner and show night in 2018.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 13, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Havens
Caring Fellowship Council Chair