

Cincinnati Archdiocesan Ladies of Charity – January Kick-off Meeting 2004
Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were: Jennifer Panepinto, President; Pat Foote, City-wide Treasurer; and about 20 other current members and 10 inductees (all who introduced themselves).

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the President.

Current Business

- Members urged to bring LOC manuals to all meetings.
- Service hours for 2003 are now due. Please submit to Jennifer Panepinto.
- Annual dues for 2004 are also now due. Please submit dues of \$6.00 to Pat Foote.
- Introduction of officers: Pat Foote (City-wide Treasurer); Mary Schone and Anita Pappalardo (St. Gertrude Treasurers).
- Induction of ten (10) new members: Nora Beckman, Rita Cucinotta, Tracy Holden, Jane Jackson, Lynda Lance, Lisa Luehrmann, Margot minutolo, Pat Schoo, Nancy Silvers, Lois Zepf.
- Day of Recollection 2004 – request for two women to co-chair event together. Nicole Lloyd and Lisa Luehrmann volunteered. These two ladies will research potential dates and location and organize all aspects of the day.
- Request for volunteers for Reading Enrichment Program in Cincinnati Public Elementary schools (near St. Gertrude are Bramble, Hyde Park, and John P. Parker). Nine people signed up at the meeting; one stepped forward after. Volunteers will need to fill out volunteer applications and submit to Cincinnati Youth Collaborative for processing and background check. (applications were mailed to all ten on 1-22-04). Request for coordinator for this effort was answered by Jani Wood.
- Discussed group outing to “St. Peter and the Vatican” exhibit at Cincinnati Museum Center. Declined.
- Discussed group outing to see Mel Gibson movie “The Passion”. Jennifer Panepinto will research.
- Request for someone to take over 2nd Sunday of the month Sharing Van responsibilities, as current coordinator, Pat Colvin, is moving out of the parish. Marilyn Scherpenberg volunteered.
 - Discussion that current location of the van is not feasible. Need a different, dedicated spot. Marilyn S. will speak to Suzy at the Priory about this.
 - Also need to better publicize the van’s activities. A flyer will be put in an upcoming Sunday parish bulletin.
 - Need to also have a large sign that can be placed in the van. Marilyn Scherpenberg to investigate.
- Need volunteers to take Elva Lee Klug to cardiac therapy Monday – Friday. A sign-up sheet was passed around. Please contact Pat Tartaron if you can help.

- Tracy Holden gave an update on the 2003 Craft Show. About \$6,000 was raised. Craft Show date for 2004 is Saturday, October 16 from 9-3 → the 20th anniversary of the show!
- The 2004 Treasure Mart will be on Saturday, July 24. Marsha Belk and Theresa Dorsey will chair this event again this year.
- Two new fundraisers were discussed, introduced by Tracy Holden. Members present were open to idea of each.
 - Tastefully Simple –gourmet food products that typically only take one or two ingredients to make a product. Products include spices, sauces, soups, drinks, and desserts that range from \$4.99 to \$9.99 each. The LOC would earn 15% of the first \$1000 in sales and 20% thereafter. Late April was discussed as a possible date for this event. Tracy Holden to research.
 - Spring Home Business Show – similar to the Craft Show but would include businesses that are typically excluded from the craft fair because they are not “home-made” (e.g. Pampered Chef, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Creative Memories). With the hopes of 15-20 vendors this fundraiser would net around \$750 - \$1000. To be conducted sometime in the spring so as not to interfere with the festival, treasure mart, or craft show. Tracy Holden to research potential dates.
- Members were asked to be on the lookout for wrapping paper and gift boxes on sale after the holidays. Purchases will be reimbursed; they will be used for next year’s Giving Tree. Also, be on the lookout for hats and gloves on sale. Contact Jennifer Panepinto if you make any purchases.
- Thank you notes were sent to Father Shappelle, Fr. Ken, and St. Gertrude 1st grade students, who hosted a “Mitten Tree” for needy families.
- All members were asked to take a few moments at 9:00 a.m. on Monday morning to pray for all those involved in good works for the Ladies of Charity.
- Please pray for Robert Ryan, a St. Gertrude parishioner who has cancer and who has been extremely generous to the Ladies of Charity for many years.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

(Please contact Jennifer Panepinto with questions or comments. 677-9968).