

Mother's Club Minutes **August 26, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 PM by President, Phyllis Yeager in the undercroft. Ms. O'Leary led us in prayer. New correspondence was on display. Jessica Brockman was welcomed as our new Financial Secretary.

Secretary's Report was handed out for April and recap our May Banquet. Motion to accept was made by Jody Vice and Carolyn Evistan seconded. The motion was passed by vote.

Vice President's Report – Carla Bartels was out of town. Cafeteria workers are still being recruited to fill in several days that are very short handed. Please consider talking to Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, etc. to fill in a few days.

Treasurer's Report was handed out. The beginning balance was \$22,383.99. There were numerous deposits and checks written at the end of the school year with the Flower Sale, summer Market Days, etc. the closing balance was \$21,506.23. The available funds balance was \$14,752.33 (money is always kept aside to cover our known expenses.) A motion to accept the correction was made by Tracy Osburg, seconded by Tessa Carr and passed by vote.

Principal's Report – Ms. O'Leary, as can be expected for the new school year, had a lengthy list to cover. She started out with her thank you's. Many thanks to those who came to school and assembled the packets for the Parents Meeting before school started. Thanks to Jeff Cooney for purchasing our dishwasher and to all the men who helped install it. It was a group effort by many over several long days to get it up and running. Thanks so much for the extra effort to get it installed before the school year started. The teacher's liked their welcome gifts from Mother's Club (M&M boxes w/poem). We have 332 students in K-8 this year. Two full classes for each grade but Kindergarten for 17 home rooms. We are having a smooth start to the school year and thanks to the parents for their efforts in drop off and pick up. Walkathon packets will go home in the 8/27 homefolders. A reminder that early dismissal is the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month, which will be Sept. 4th and Sept. 18th. She is looking for volunteer parents to help with the Academic Team, which will probably be open to 6-8th grade students. Matches will start in October. A reminder that all information forms need to be turned in, if not already done. Parent's will be invited to join the students for Thursday/Friday lunch starting in two weeks. If you only have 1 or 2 dates that you would be available to come, please let Rita in the office know so she can schedule you for that date. New science books were purchased this year for grades 6-8 and are also available on-line. New Math books were purchased for grades 1-6. Three new smart boards packages were delivered over the summer bringing our total to 7 for the school. We are hoping to add 2 more (1 for each grade). 8th Grade Confirmation meeting will be on Monday, Sept. 22nd for Parents. A reminder that you must be Virtus Trained and fully compliant with all materials to participate in class trips, volunteering in school, etc. The 4th and 5th grade will be going on field trips in September for Grow it, Eat it, Wear it, and an Environmental Day Camp. Don't forget to save Campbell's Soup labels, Tyson 1-2-3 labels, and Box Tops for Education. We are also part of the Remke Shoppers program and Meijer's Community Rewards program. Ms. Green wanted to express her thanks for all the Birthday Books that were purchased for the library. We are the recipients of two programs, one from the Red's and a "Picturing America" program to get reproductions of famous artwork into the schools (Thanks Ms. Green for applying for the grant.) More info on these two items will be coming out in the next few weeks.

New Business

Welcome New Moms – We are grateful for the new Mom's who have come to the meeting. There is a lot to do each school year and we are happy to see so many new faces.

Dishwasher – Mother's Club was asked to contribute to the new dishwasher for the school cafeteria. A motion was made by Tonya Smiley and seconded by Mandy Haigis that \$2,500 of Mother's Club funds and \$1,096 from the 8th grade class money from the graduating class of 08 be donated for the dishwasher. The motion was voted on and passed and will need to be voted on again next month for finalization.

40 Hours – Volunteers are needed to make appetizers for the priests dinner for 40 hours on October 5th. There will be a signup sheet available. Your help is appreciated.

By-Laws – The By-Laws need to be reviewed this coming school year and approved again. Anyone wishing to be part of this committee (to meet on 2 occasions) can sign up.

Everybody Counts – Ann Schultz has resigned from this committee and is looking for a replacement. It is a great program that gives the students insight into challenges that disabilities and diseases can cause in their daily life and how they are overcome. This is a great position for two people to coordinate together.

Forester's – More information on this program will be coming through the home folder in the future. They are hoping to start a program here at St. Therese, and it is an organization promoting Catholic education.

Great Eat's – Thanks to Jodi Luersen for making the Market Day items we are snacking on here tonight. The officer's provided the desserts.

Market Day – Jodi Luersen reported that the June Market Day profit was \$308.53, July was \$629.79, and August was \$415.09. Check out the Market Day web site for specials and closeouts. There is a great tote bag you can get for free when purchasing off of a special insert sheet. She reminded us that the Market Day has great options for quick meals. She is passing around a sign-up sheet for anyone willing to work a Market Day pickup. She is hoping to get 4 teams, so it would only be working 3 times a year.

Sweatshirt & Gym Uniforms – Jodi Luersen reported that she is hoping to have the current order in by September 18th. Another order form will be going home in October for the items to be delivered before Christmas. Again, she reminds us to remove Wind Pants before gym class, they are not meant for sliding across the gym floor.

Walk-A-Thon – Joy Huber and Ann Schultz are spearheading this year's Walk-A-Thon. The theme is "The Amazing Raise" as we are raising money for our Technology Department. Our goal is to purchase several new Smart Boards. There are a few changes this year, with the DJ at our gym after lunch and a different prize structure. There will be several stations at the community center for the kids to solve puzzles or answer questions to get their travel book stamped. This is our biggest fundraiser, and in the past years it has raised just shy of \$100,000 for the school. Volunteer sign-ups will be passed around at next month's meeting.

Yearbook Committee – Please send pictures through school, Attn: Tracy Osburg, Yearbook, or at TAOsburg@insightbb.com. They are looking for soccer pictures. The yearbook for the 07/08 year is just about wrapped up for the printers.

Fundraising – Tracy Osburg will be in charge of the fundraising committee this year. Thanks Tracy!

Faculty/Staff Birthday's – Mary Schneider is manning this project this year. Volunteers are asked to take a staff member and make a treat or supply a small gift for that person to recognize their special day. A sign-up sheet was passed around.

New Business

NCC Hits for Chicks – Volleyball game will be against Bishop Brossart on Tuesday, September 15th. By purchasing a T-Shirt in advance, you get free admission into the game. All proceeds go to the Chick's and Chuck's program which supports family needs during cancer treatments. See NCC website for more details.

Bishops Visit – Bishop Foys is visiting each parish this year and our visit will be September 27th, 28th and 29th. He will be attending each mass, speaking with parish leaders and families, and visiting the school and meeting the students. We are looking to have a welcoming Pancake breakfast after the 10:15 mass. This is a great opportunity to meet him personally and for him to see how a stewardship parish can be successful. More details to come in the bulletin.

Financial Secretary's report – Jessica Brockman reports that the beginning balance is \$1,696.33, and the ending balance is \$1,012.84. We had 66 members in attendance, with 6 new members.

Ways & Means – They still need 8th grade room mom's and 7L. All folder's for the room mom's were passed out. In September, the 8th Grade will host and Kindergarten and 1st grade artwork will be on display.

Pot of Gold – Mary Ciafardini was the winner.

Door Prizes – The 2 door prizes were awarded. Gina Dew motioned to adjourn and seconded by Melissa Melville. It was carried by vote.

Ms. O'Leary led us in a closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Marilyn Goldstein, Secretary

Mother's Club Minutes **September 23, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 8:15PM by President, Phyllis Yeager in the undercroft. Ms. O'Leary led us in prayer. New correspondence was on display.

Secretary's Report was handed out for the August meeting. Phyllis said that in the future the reports would be on line and would not be voted on for acceptance. If anyone had changes, they could bring it up at the meeting.

Vice President's Report – Carla Bartels reported that the Feast of St. Therese Ice Cream Social would be October 1st and that a sign up sheet would be passed around looking for volunteers to work it.

Treasurer's Report was handed out. The beginning balance was \$21,506.23. The closing balance was \$9,785.55. The available funds balance was \$9059.45 (money is always kept aside to cover our known expenses.) A motion to accept the correction was made by Tracy Osburg, seconded by Tonya Smiley and passed by vote.

Principal's Report – Ms. O'Leary had a lot to report on, as there is always something going on at school. Progress reports will be coming Sept. 24th. She reported that Grandparents Day went well and was very well attended. Bishop Foys will be visiting the classrooms and saying Mass for the students on September 29th with an all school liturgy. Feast of St. Therese is on October 1st, with an ice cream social for the students. Closing of 40 Hours will be Sunday, October 5th with the 3rd Grade and 8th Grade have prominent parts in the ceremony. School pictures are on Wed. October 15th, packets will be coming home. The 8th Grade is preparing for Confirmation which will be held on November 17th. 1st Quarter Report Card conferences will be held on Thursday, October 30th, sign-up sheets will be in the cafeteria. She thanked us for the large parish attendance for the Virtus training, with over 500 from our parish Virtus trained. There was an explanation of the upcoming Community Safe Program. 4th, 5th, and 6th grade either have or will have field trips, thanks to the chaperones.

New Business

Play Like a Champion – we were given a presentation on the program being proposed by the Athletic Club by Patty Grothaus, Todd Bertsch, and Denny Wagner. It was very informative and was well received.

Dishwasher – Mother's Club was asked to contribute to the new dishwasher for the school cafeteria. A second vote to approve the motion that \$2,500 of Mother's Club funds and \$1,096 from the money from the graduating class of 08 be donated for the dishwasher was voted on and passed.

Athletic Club – asked for new ideas for the annual banquet and awards ceremony in an effort to improve attendance and make it more appealing to all involved.

40 Hours – Volunteers are needed to make appetizers for the priest's dinner for 40 hours on October 5th. A signup sheet was passed for appetizers and servers. Your help is appreciated.

Parish Raffle Tickets – Patty Grothaus made the motion to buy 2 raffle tickets on behalf of the Mother's Club, it was seconded by Carolyn Eviston and passed by vote.

By Laws Committee – Thanks to those who signed up and a meeting will be held.

Thanks to the 8th grade mom's for supplying the great food and for the Kindergarten and 1st Grade for displaying their artwork for all to enjoy.

Contact Tracy Osburg if you can help a family in the parish who had a house fire and lost a lot of personal items.

Pancake Breakfast/Bishop Visit – Bishop Foys will be visiting our parish this weekend and a Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday the 28th after the 10:15 mass. A signup sheet will be passed for any 8th grade students who may want to volunteer with cleanup.

Halloween Dinner – Our October meeting will be on Tuesday, Oct. 21st instead of the 4th Tuesday. Keep an eye out for reservation paper to come home.

Activity Reports:

Market Day – Jodi Luersen reported that the September Market Day profit was \$533.42. She passed out the new schedule which now has 4 teams, so each team has to work 3 times a year.

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Sweatshirt & Gym Uniforms – Jodi Luersen reported that the order forms were going home in the next home folder. No gym bags or backpacks are offered, she is still looking into it. Orders will need to be turned in by October 10th, or a \$5 late fee will be added to any orders after that date. Any money collected in late fees will be turned over to Father Heitzman to use for the parish. If you are waiting for anything from the September order, please call Jodi.

Walk-A-Thon – Joy Huber and Ann Schultz reported that all money is due on October 3rd. Thanks to all who are working so hard to make this a great success.

Yearbook Committee – Please send pictures through school, Attn: Tracy Osburg, Yearbook, or at TAOsburg@insightbb.com. The yearbook for the 07/08 year is just about wrapped up for the printers with just a few individual class pages needing to be completed. She brought everything needed for those pages to be completed.

Fundraising – Papa Johns is ongoing and Applebee's and Margarita's nights are being considered.

New Business

Financial Secretary's report – Jessica Brockman reports that the beginning balance is \$1,012.84, and the ending balance is \$1,247.86. We had 56 members in attendance, with 6 new members. The 7th Grade will host the October meeting and the 2nd grade will display their artwork.

Ways & Means – Head room mom's should have their letter's to the parents sent out by now, and many have already organized chaperones for field trips and started planning for the year.

Pot of Gold – Mary Ciafardini was the winner again, however she wasn't in attendance and the money will be rolled over into next month's total.

Door Prizes – Carolyn Eviston won a \$20 gift certificate and 6 lucky moms won beautiful mums. Julie Bertsche motioned to adjourn and seconded by Lisa Steffen. It was carried by vote.

Ms. O'Leary led us in a closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Marilyn Goldstein, Secretary

Mother's Club Minutes October 21, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 PM by President, Phyllis Yeager in the cafeteria. Ms. O'Leary led us in prayer. A delicious chicken dinner was served with a big selection of sides and desserts provided by the mom's.

With full stomachs, the business began at 7:38. No new correspondence.

Information on the Cincinnati Bell Learn program was introduced by Ms. O'Leary. This is another fund raising opportunity that we can take part in without spending any extra money.

Secretary's Report was available from September meeting. The minutes were also posted on the Mother's Club web site and emailed to the Mother's Club email list.

Vice President's Report – Carla Bartels was not present at this meeting due to a death in her family.

Treasurer's Report was handed out. The beginning balance was \$9,785.55. The closing balance was \$29,004.51 (thank you walk-a-thon). The available funds balance was \$7,654.78 (money is always kept aside to cover our known expenses.) A motion to accept the correction was made by Jean Barth, seconded by Mary Schneider and passed by vote.

Principal's Report – Ms. O'Leary had another busy month at school. It started with Bishop Foys visit, Feast of St. Therese, and 40 Hours. She thanked us for the ice cream sundaes. Special thanks to Jody Luersen and Jill McIntosh for helping with picture day. Retake day is scheduled for November 12th. Retake pictures will be on the composites this year. Report Card/Teacher conference sign up sheets are in the cafeteria. The Conferences will be Thursday, Oct. 30th. The Scholastic Book Fair begins on Sunday October 26th and ends on Thursday, Oct. 30th. No School on Friday, Oct. 31st. A reminder that October is the month of the Rosary. The 8th Grade class visits NCC on October 29th for the day. Papa John's night is Wednesday, November 12th. Southgate City Council had Youth Appreciation night for 7th and 8th grade students selected to shadow the members. Student Council is sponsoring a candy guessing contest just for the fun of it! The 8th Grade will have Confirmation on October 17th. Parents meeting for 2nd grade 1st Reconciliation will be Monday, November 24th. And finally a special thanks to all who helped with the Walk-a-thon, especially Joy Huber and Ann Schultz. It was a fun day for all and there are more fun activities to come from it over the next month.

Activity Reports:

Market Day – Jodi Luersen reported that the October Market Day profit was \$515.37. November is the Pie Month, your chance to get all your holiday pies, the more we sell, the higher our profit margin! Don't forget the baby back ribs, strawberry swirl cheesecakes, and holiday cookie shapes. November Market Day pickup is Monday the 10th.

Sweatshirt & Gym Uniforms – Jodi Luersen reported that the order has been sent in and she has many sizes on hand.

Yearbook Committee – Please send pictures through school, Attn: Tracy Osburg, Yearbook, or at TAOsburg@insightbb.com. The yearbook for the 07/08 year is just about wrapped up for the printers with just a few individual class pages needing to be completed.

Spirit Wear – Christine Doeker is offering to take charge of a Spirit Wear sale of t-shirts and sweat shirts. Order forms will come home in the home folders. Thanks to Christine for volunteering to take care of this. These make great holiday gifts.

Walk-A-Thon – Joy Huber and Ann Schultz reported that approximately \$23 was raised, with a few outstanding invoices to be paid. There will be a wrap-up meeting to discuss pro's and con's. The first out of uniform will be November 6th. A big cheer for Ann and Joy for their leadership on this and making it another successful event!

Fundraising – License plate covers may be offered. It is an opportunity to collaborate with a company that employs handicapped workers for fund raiser opportunities. A win-win situation for both groups.

New Business

Fall Festival – November 8th is the date for our festival. A sign up sheet was being passed around for workers for the Kids Games. Mother's Club will donate a basket for a booth. A motion was made by Loretta Buchanan and seconded by Tracy Osburg for Mother's Club to donate \$150 for Bid & Buy Leslie Muck made the motion and Tonya Smiley seconded for \$150 for the Fall Festival for two \$75 baskets. They were passed by vote.

Financial Secretary's report – Jessica Brockman reports that the beginning balance is \$1,247.86, and the ending balance is \$1,604.36. We had 54 members in attendance, with 11 2nd Grade Mom's. Special thanks to the 7th Grade moms for organizing the dinner and to all who brought the great side dishes. The 2nd Grade artwork was a wonderful addition for our Halloween theme. The 6th Grade will host the November meeting and the 3rd grade will display their artwork.

Pot of Gold – Carolyn Broerings' name was pulled, however she wasn't in attendance and the money will be rolled over into next month's total. The pot of gold will start with \$49.50.

Door Prizes – Kelly Kramer won the \$20 door prize and Loretta Buchanan and Kelly McIntosh won the attendance prizes.

Costume Contest – We are grateful to have Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Bolan, Ms. O'Leary, and Mrs. Feeback as our judges. Loretta Buchanan won the Cutest for her "Pigs in a Blanket" costume, Jodi Luersen won the Funniest as the "Farmer in the Dell", and the Mother's Club Officers collectively won the Scariest as students dressed as "Teachers Worst Nightmare".

Ms. O'Leary led us in a closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Marilyn Goldstein, Secretary

Mother's Club Minutes **November 25, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 by President, Phyllis Yeager in the undercroft. Ms. O'Leary led us in prayer.

Secretary's Report – several corrections were made to the October report. The 8th Grade confirmation date was November 17th, not October. The Walk-A-Thon reported that approximately \$23,000 was raised, not \$23. Finally, on the Fall Festival, the vote was for one \$50 Basket and \$150 for pies, if they were needed. My apologies for the mistakes. It was passed by vote after the corrections.

Vice President's Report – Carla Bartels reported that workers need to show up at 10:30 for the cafeteria. If you can work, contact Tonya or Cindy in the cafeteria. Each time you work (or someone in your name) you get a \$5 credit for next years cafeteria's fees. We will work on better ways to remind people of their work days.

Treasurer's Report was handed out. The beginning balance was \$29,004.51. The closing balance was \$32,224.13. The available funds balance was \$8,386.87 (money is always kept aside to cover our known expenses.) A motion to accept the correction was made by Tracy Osburg, seconded by Tessa Carr and passed by vote.

Principal's Report – Ms. O'Leary said that Father Heitzman's birthday was going to fall on Thanksgiving this year and he would be out of town. Thanks to the 6th Grade moms for hosting the Confirmation reception. There was a wonderful response for the Student Council Canned Food Drive. Brighton Center employees were overwhelmed and thankful for the generosity of all. The 7th Grade students are reading the "Breadwinner" book about Afghanistan and collecting old cell phones to redeem for calling cards for our soldiers. The 2nd grade will have speaker Mother Seraphina of the Daughters of St. Francis. The Conservation School winners are Alyssa Blanchett for essay, Anna Schneider placed 2nd in the county and Bailey Gray for art. The Advent theme is Wait-Prepare-Rejoice. The 3rd and 5th grade are leading prayers on Tuesdays. Progress reports will come out next week. St. Nicholas will visit the students on December 5th. The Health Fair will also be held at the school on the 5th. They will do hearing, eye, weight and scoliosis checks. The Principal for a day will be Friday, December 5th (I missed who the lucky winner was.) Thursday, December 4th is the open house at NCC for 7th and 8th graders. Monday, December 8th is Feast of the Immaculate Conception, no school. Tuesday, December 9th the first through 4th grade will put on their Christmas show. Grades 1 and 2 will go to see Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer at the Taft Theater. Saturday, the 13th, the 8th Graders take placement test for NCC. Monday the 15th is the meeting for the sacrament of reconciliation. Latin School will come put on a play for the 3rd through 5th grades. Last day of school before break is December 19th, with dismissal at 11AM. The 2nd grade will make their first reconciliation on January 26th and the 3rd grade is in charge of reception.

Activity Reports:

Market Day – Jodi Luersen reported that the November Market day profits were \$404.43. There are many specials to help with your holiday dinners and parties. Next pickup date is December 18th, a Thursday.

Sweatshirt & Gym Uniforms – Jodi Luersen reported she has many extra's on hand if anyone is needing something. The orders had arrived and were passed out, with a few items on backorder, hopefully coming in before the winter break.

Walk-a-Thon – Joy Huber reported that we made \$22,000 plus, and Ms. O'Leary will receive \$10,000 for the school. The remainder will fund the Mother's Club activities.

Health Fair – Joy Huber reported that it will be held on December 5th, starting with the Kindergarten at 8:15 while the other students are in church. They expect to get all grades completed by 1:30 PM. Any volunteers can contact Joy Huber, Ann Schultz, or go through the Mother's Club website.

Yearbook Committee – Please send pictures through school, Attn: Tracy Osburg, Yearbook, or at TAOsburg@insightbb.com. The yearbook for the 07/08 year is to be sent to the printers by December 1st. Also, Zone books are available for \$20.

Spirit Wear – Christine Doeker said our order will be in hopefully before Christmas. She placed an order for 145 items. Thanks Christine for giving us a chance to show our school spirit in style!

New Business

Spring Social – Loretta Buchanan said that the date for the Luck O'the Irish Social will be on Friday, March 20th. The first organizing meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 13th at 7:30 in the cafeteria.

Sister's Pantry – Mother's Club was donating scrips certificates to the Sisters and a few people brought in some items for them to restock their pantry.

Holiday Collection – The collection we take (in lieu of the cookie and ornament exchange) was given to the Kremer Family. It is our way to help out a parish family that has given so much to the Mother's Club. Anita was the President of our Mother's Club several years ago. \$378 was collected. Thanks to all for their generosity.

Thanks to the 6th grade mom's for bringing in the great snacks for our meeting. And thanks to all those who helped out with the Fall Festival. Thanks to the 3rd grade for their great artwork.

Financial Secretary's report – Jessica Brockman reports that the beginning balance is \$1,604.36, and the ending balance is \$1,644.35. We had 49 members in attendance, one new member, with 14 3rd Grade Mom's. The 5th Grade Mom's are bringing in the snacks for the January meeting and the 4th Grade will display their artwork.

Ways & Means – The teacher/staff wish lists for scrips certificates are available for the Room Mom's to review for Christmas gifts.

Pot of Gold – Amy Carver's name was drawn for the prize of \$71.50, however, she wasn't in attendance. Don't miss the January meeting for a chance to win.

Door Prizes – Lori Kramer won the \$20 door prize and Mrs. Walker and Kara Leberecht won the attendance prizes.

Meeting was adjourned after a motion by Shelly Daunt and seconded by Gina Dew. Ms. O'Leary led us in a closing prayer.

Submitted by Marilyn Goldstein, Secretary

Mother's Club Minutes February 24, 2009

(There was no December meeting, January meeting was cancelled due to snow.)

The meeting was called to order at 8:12 by Vice-President, Carla Bartels in the undercroft. (Phyllis Yeager was not present). Ms. Leverman led us in prayer (Ms. O'Leary was out sick).

Secretary's Report – was posted on web site and copies were available for review. Shelley Daunt made motion to accept and it was seconded by Liz Hardt. It was passed by vote.

Vice President's Report – Carla Bartels reported that workers need to show up at 10:30 for the cafeteria. If you can work, contact Tonya or Cindy in the cafeteria.

Treasurer's Report was handed out. The beginning balance was \$32,224.13. The available funds balance was \$13,530.37 (money is always kept aside to cover our known expenses.) A motion to accept was made by Tessa Carr, seconded by Caroline Evistan and passed by vote.

Principal's Report – Ms. O'Leary was out sick, but passed along her report for Ms. Leverman to present. Thanks to the Room Mom's for the Christmas and Valentine's Parties. Also thanks for the reception for the First Reconciliation. The students studied about vocations in January. The Student Council Cake Raffle proceeds were sent to the Sister's of Notre Dame for their Uganda Mission. January also had a shortened version of "Catholic Schools Week" due to the snow days. They had special activities to celebrate. February also had the Basketball Tournament. Karsen Hunter was a great Principal for the Day, won from the Walk-a-Thon. Also, thanks to those who supported the Papa Johns pizza night, Ms. Bolan's class won for February. Terra Nova Testing will begin in March, along with the Diocesan Academic Competition for the 7th and 8th grade students selected. Report Cards will go home on Wed., March 25th. Spring Pictures are scheduled for March 31st. Thanks to Mary Kreutzer for taking care of Box Tops for Education in which the school just received an \$800 check for 6 months. March also has a dinner for the Conservation art & essay contest winners; Bailey Gray, Anna Schneider, and Alyssa Blanchet. Mason Mariani will be honored for his Pro-Life essay at a dinner also.

Activity Reports:

Market Day – Jodi Luersen reported that the December Market day profits were \$556.95, January profits were \$323.06, and February profits were \$594.94. Next pickup date is Monday, March 16th, Team 3. Team 3 was also looking for a few new members. Our sales earned a \$250 Barnes & Noble gift card for Ms. Green for the library. Jodi wanted us to look into the February profits to go to the 8th grade rather than the January because of the big difference. We need to look into our By-Laws because we think it is set as to the month.

Sweatshirt & Gym Uniforms – Jodi Luersen reported that we had a few unclaimed clothing items, that were up for grabs. She will look into getting order forms out in March for the orders for the fall.

Yearbook Committee – Please send pictures through school, Attn: Tracy Osburg, Yearbook, or at TAOsburg@insightbb.com. She prefers disks for pictures. The yearbook for the 07/08 year is in production. This year's yearbook will be started soon.

Fundraising – We have Zone Books available for \$20 each, last month to purchase. Tracy Osburg has them. The next Papa John's pizza night will be March 11th.

Everybody Counts - Ms. O'Leary is hoping that someone will be able to take this over and that it can be held at the end of March, the week of the 23rd.

New Business

Spring Social – Loretta Buchanan reported that we still need items for the Goodie Bags, combination raffle, baskets, and hourly raffles. We don't have to have 500 items for the bags, we can put small donations together items. Sign up sheets for various jobs are being passed around. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Tickets are available for sale.

Girl Scout Troop 9008 – The 7th and 8th Grade Troop is working on their Silver Award and are collecting items to be included in Adoption Bags for the Kenton County Animal Shelter. They would appreciate any donation of pet care items, or fleece (for toys and blankets) that can be included in the bags.

By Laws – We will be addressing those next month for review and vote.

Thanks to the 4th and 5th grade mom's for bringing in the awesome snacks for our meeting. The artwork on display is great.

8th Grade Trip - Discussion was held about raising additional funds for the 8th Grade Class trip.

Financial Secretary's report – Jessica Brockman reports that the beginning balance is \$1,644.35 and the ending balance is \$1,622.35. We had 56 members in attendance, no new members, with 24 - 4th and 5th Grade Mom's. The 3rd Grade Mom's are bringing in the snacks for the March meeting and the 6th Grade will display their artwork.

Ways & Means –

Pot of Gold – Jeanne Barth won the Pot of Gold for \$108.00. Congratulations! That had been building for several months.

Door Prizes – Gina Gray won the door prize and Maureen Schalk and Mel Ludwig won the attendance prizes.

Meeting was adjourned after a motion by Gina Schneider and seconded by Jodi Luersen.

We closed the meeting with a prayer.

Submitted by Marilyn Goldstein, Secretary

Mother's Club Minutes

March 24, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 by President Phyllis Yeager in the undercroft. Ms. O'Leary led us in prayer. No new correspondence. There are fliers for NCC's Jammin on the Hill event this weekend.

Secretary's Report – for February was posted on web site and copies were available for review. A correction was made on the closing balance on the Treasurer's report, to read \$11,904.19. Tracy Osburg made motion to accept and it was seconded by Tessa Carr. It was passed by vote.

Treasurer's Report was handed out. The beginning balance was \$11,904.19. The closing balance is \$28,618.31. The available funds balance was \$7,382.96. A motion to accept was made by Candy Jones, seconded by Loretta Buchanan and passed by vote.

Principal's Report – Ms. O'Leary reported on all of the activities from March. A penny drive was held for DPAA. The students have had prayer partners during Lent. They will have a solemn bread service on Wednesday, April 8th. They are also taking part stations of the cross and confession during holy week. 7th Grade Servers will receive their Serra Awards at the Cathedral and new 5th Grade servers are currently being trained. Allison Muck won 2nd place in the Diocesan Competitions for art. Terra Nova testing is complete and next year it will switch to the Iowa Test per Diocesan instructions. Spring Pictures will be taken soon and report cards will come out on the 26th. The Papa John's fundraisers are very successful. There are several field trips in the coming months. We received a check from Cincinnati Bell for \$900. The students are involved in several service projects for school supplies, etc.

Activity Reports

Market Day – Jodi Luersen was sick, no report.

Sweatshirt & Gym Uniforms – Jodi Luersen was sick, no report.

Yearbook Committee – Last year's yearbook should arrive any day. Tracy is thinking of having a contest for a student to design the inside cover of the yearbook. Please send pictures through school, Attn: Tracy Osburg, Yearbook, or at TAOsburg@insightbb.com. She prefers disks for pictures.

Fundraising – The next Papa John's night will be April 8th.

Spring Social – Loretta Buchanan reported that we made approximately \$13,000 with 410 in attendance. Thanks to the 4th Grade Boy Scouts who helped with setup, and the Youth Group who made cleanup so much faster. Even though there was a decline in attendance, we had a great event.

New Business

Everybody Counts – no one stepped up to chair it, so it is tabled this year. It has been held for the past 21 years and it is a very worthwhile program. It was emphasized how we can't let programs like this fall to the wayside for lack of volunteers. They can be handled in a team effort, etc.

8th Grade Trip - Discussion was tabled last month about changing the month that the 8th grade receives funds from Market Day. After reviewing the By-Laws, it was decided that it wasn't stipulated but that we wouldn't change the month. Different fundraiser options were discussed.

By Laws – They will be sent out via E-mail for review and vote at the April meeting.

Year End Banquet - Several locations are being discussed and the dates being considered are May 12th or 14th.

New Officers – Anyone interested in becoming an officer can contact Phyllis Yeager. The Secretary's position is being vacated after this year.

Thanks to the 6th grade for their great artwork. The 3rd Grade mom's brought in a fantastic array of food for our enjoyment.

Fish Fry – A mention was made about how successful the fish fry has been and how good the food is. All are encouraged to participate.

Financial Secretary's report – Jessica Brockman reports that the beginning balance is \$1,622.35 and the ending balance is \$1,617.70. We had 39 members in attendance, no new members, with 12 – 3rd Grade Mom's. In April, the 1st grade will host and the 7th and 8th grade artwork will be on display.

Pot of Gold – Amy Carver's name was drawn for the \$25 Pot of Gold, however she wasn't in attendance. The money will be rolled over into the next meeting jackpot.

Door Prizes – Doreen Fornash won the door prize and Lori Kremer and Jeanne Barth won the attendance prizes.

Meeting was adjourned after a motion by Tracy Osburg and seconded by Lori Kramer. We closed the meeting with a prayer.

Submitted by Marilyn Goldstein, Secretary

Mother's Club Minutes

April 28, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 8:12 by President Phyllis Yeager in the undercroft. Ms. O'Leary led us in prayer. New Correspondence – a thank you note from Rita Ead's family was available to read. Phyllis welcomed the Alumni who gathered for a reunion at tonight's meeting. April is Child Abuse Awareness Month if anyone wants a bookmark, or informational pamphlets on the front table. Several 7th & 8th Grade students came and did a CPR demonstration. Ms. Buntyn and Ms. Boruske thanked the Mother's Club for paying for the materials and training for the 7th and 8th grade to receive this lifesaving training. The students who demonstrated were Whitney Addison, Jacob Yeager, Chelsea Fryer, Trevor Murrell, and Charlotte Parr. They did a great job and told us of the updated way of performing CPR.

Secretary's Report – for March minutes were posted on web site and copies were available for review.

Treasurer's Report - was handed out. The beginning balance was \$28,618.31. The closing balance is \$19,585.57. The available funds balance is \$5,988.29. A motion to accept was made by Loretta Buchanan, seconded by Tracy Osburg and passed by vote.

Vice President's Report – Carla was going to check with Tonya Young about what types of items were needed by the cafeteria staff for next year.

Principal's Report – Ms. O'Leary's report included thanks to the Room Mother's who sent in the bread and juice for the Holy Thursday Last Supper meal. The Home Folders on Wednesday will include progress reports, Terra Nova test scores, spring pictures, and uniform information. The writing portfolios will come home in early May and they are to be reviewed with the students and returned back to school with the chosen items to be included in their progressive portfolio. Last Friday, April 24th, was a Volunteer's reception and mass. Sunday May 3rd will be First Communion and Tuesday May 5th is May Crowning. All Library books are due back by May 15th. Ms. Green is looking for helpers for inventory. May 21st is the Kindergarten Program. The 4th grade goes to the Appalachian Festival on May 8th. The Reading program from the Florence Freedom will wrap up on May 18 and the Summer Reading program from the library will be introduced on the 20th. The 8th Grade will go on their field trip on the 21st. The Baby Showers for the classroom's spiritual adoptions will take place the week of May 18th. The Liza Costigan award will be presented on Friday, May 22nd. The 8th Grade Graduation is on May 27th. Wednesday, May 28th will be game day, and Thursday, May 29th is the last day of school, awards, and early dismissal. Report Cards will be available on Monday, June 8th. The first day of school for the 09/10 school year will be Wednesday, August 19th.

Activity Reports

Market Day – Jodi Luersen reported a March profit of \$555.06 and April was \$314.97. New items great for the summer include a fruit blend w/yogurt, grilling trios, etc. The May Market Day will be on Monday May 18th. Team 4 is short on workers if anyone would like to join team 4. If we can keep 4 teams, then we only have to work 3 times a year. The summer sales will be on Thursdays, June 18th, July 16th, and August 27th.

Sweatshirt & Gym Uniforms – Jodi Luersen reported that order forms are due next week and there will be a uniform exchange at all summer Market Day pickups. Stop by and grab a few items or drop off your gently used, out-grown ones.

Yearbook Committee – Last year's yearbooks have arrived. The 09/10 yearbook will be done completely on the computer and Tracy really prefers pictures on disk or email. Please send pictures through school, Attn: Tracy Osburg, Yearbook, or at TAOsburg@insightbb.com. She is particularly looking for field trips, class parties, May Crowning and graduation.

Fundraising – The next Papa John's night will be May 13th and the 8th Grade is having a Skyline Chili night on May 18th from 5-9PM. Dine in or Carry out only, no drive thru.

Spring Social – Loretta Buchanan is passing out a signup sheet for anyone interested in a free night at the Shadowbox Theater. This is a chance to unwind and have a little fun after all the hard work done for the fundraisers.

Walk-a-thon – Ann Schultz and Joy Huber will have a meeting end of June or beginning of July to get the ball rolling for our fall fundraiser. Look for emails or info in bulletin on when and where. All are welcome!

New Business

By Laws – will be reviewed in our August meeting and the votes will take place in August and September. The dues amount may be increased, as it has been the same amount for years.

Year End Banquet – will be at Mocca on Monmouth Street on May 14th, with a choice of two dinner selections. The reservation forms will be in the home folders.

New Officers – Anyone interested in becoming an officer can contact Phyllis Yeager. The Secretary position is being vacated after this year. The slate of new officers will be announced in May at the banquet.
8th Grade - In addition to the Skyline Chili night, they will also have a booth at the Parish Yard Sale if anyone is interested in making any donations of items from around the house or garage that they could sell.

Thanks to the 7th and 8th grade for their great artwork on display. The 1st Grade mom's brought in a wonderful assortment of snacks to be enjoyed by all. Thank you both!

Alumni – The alumni introduced themselves, updated us on their children now, and had us laughing as they reminisced about the moments from the days of old. Our current group is much more subdued, but their group sure made the most out of their night out!

Financial Secretary's report – Jessica Brockman reports that the beginning balance is \$1,715.70 and the ending balance is \$1,405.84. We had 45 members in attendance, no new members, with 17 honored grade Mom's and 23 Alumni.

Pot of Gold – Kathy Landrum was the \$40.50 Pot of Gold winner! **Door Prizes** Tonya Smiley won the door prize and several alumni won the attendance prizes.

Meeting was adjourned after a motion by Lori Kramer and seconded by Julie Bertsch. We closed the meeting with a prayer.

Submitted by Marilyn Goldstein, Secretary

Mother's Club Minutes

May 14, 2009

Our May meeting was our banquet at Mocca. The meeting was called to order by Phyllis Yeager and Father Heitzman led us in prayer before dinner.

Secretary's Report - None given

Vice President's Report – None given

Treasurer's Report – None given

Principal's Report – None given.

(In case you are wondering, this is just a meeting to wrap things up, congratulations and thanks are extended and a night of relaxation is intended more than taking care of business.)

The Ways and Means threw a great party with a new twist. This year we had the Lucky Loser game. All those in attendance had their name put into a basket and every tenth name drawn, won a great summer themed prize. The other nine names were losers. It was intermixed with the nights activities and a lot of fun!

New Business

Outgoing Officer Recognition – Secretary Marilyn Goldstein was presented with several thoughtful gifts which represented her service to the Board over the years. **The new secretary will be Julie Bertsch, and we welcome and thank her for taking the position.**

Sister's Reception – A reception honoring the contributions of the Sister's of Notre Dame to our parish will be held on Sunday, May 17th after the 10:15 mass. All are encouraged to stop by and say farewells and thank you's to the many nuns who have taught our children and done so much for our parish over the years.

Shadowbox Theater – the date will be May 29th, 10 PM and we have free tickets for up to 50 people. Feel free to contact Loretta Buchanan if you are interested. It will be a great way to celebrate the end of the school year!

Thanks to the Way's and Mean's committee for planning the wonderful banquet. The food was wonderful! Also thanks to Jodi Luerson for making such a wonderful array of desserts. It was hard to decided which one to eat. Also, thanks to the School Board members and Teachers who have joined us for the evening.

Liza Costigan Award will be awarded at Mass on Friday, May 22nd.

8th Grade – would like to thank all who contributed to their booth at the yard sale. They made \$450 and encouraged all to attend the Skyline Chili night at the restaurant on Carother's Road.

Ways & Means –

Perfect Attendance Awards - \$75 towards students fees for the 2009/2010 school year were won by Mandy Haigis, Jackie Stephens, and Kara Leberecht.

8th Grade Mom – Moms who were saying goodbye to the Mother's Club as their last child graduates from St. Therese were honored with a flower. Many thanks to Tonya Smiley for the many, many contributions to the Mother's Club functions and the school over the past years. We wish your girls the best of luck and will miss you Tonya.

Submitted by Marilyn Goldstein, Secretary

Many thanks for the kind words and gifts presented at the banquet. It has been a pleasure being on the board and I have made many friends. Thank you.