

**ECW Board Meeting
Holy Cross, Valle Crucis, N. C.
Monday, March 5, 2007**

Present-Mary Ann Ransom, Pat Jollie, Janice Priest, Donna Murray, Katerina Whitley, Kendall Forester, Becky Whelan, Sally Prosch, Margaret King, and Maggie Harmon.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mary Ann Ransom.

The meeting was opened with prayer, led by Katerina Whitley.

Maggie Harmon, President of the Holy Cross ECW reported that the women of Valle Crucis were planning an Easter breakfast for the Parish. A new cookbook is now being published. They are selling cleaning cloths and note cards. A rummage sale will be held in May.

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed by the secretary, Margaret King. The minutes were approved.

A treasurer's report was not given due to the absence of the treasurer, Diane Mance. Diane is visiting her daughter in Florida.

Department Reports

CPC- Donna Murray has sent each Parish a CPC kit, encouraging a CPC Sunday. The Presiding Bishop suggested the CPC Sunday should be on May 6, 2007. Miles of Pennies is a good program and she asked everyone to save pennies. The money was sent to India this past year. Materials for CPC can be ordered from N. Y. Donna would visit churches if asked.

UTO- Pat Jollie announced that the Spring Ingathering would be in May. This year there are two applicants from this Diocese for grants. One from Mars Hill to finish basement and one from Valle Crucis for Hermitage. The committee meets in April and we will know if either of these receive grants in June.

DOK- Pat Jollie announced that the Daughters are having a retreat the last week end in April at Lake Logan.

ASDMO-Terri Williamson is working on letters to the Parishes.

Hispanic Community- Mona Salinas is working on projects.

Missionaries- Sister Priscilla is still in the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico. She sends prayers to all and asks for prayers.

Christian Social Concerns- no report.

Deanery Reports-

Asheville-Janice Priest announced that there would be a deanery meeting in the fall.

Foothills- Kendall Forester announced that there were new ECW officers at her church, St. Paul's. They are now meeting on Monday nights. They will be writing notes to all people

that have left their church.

Hendersonville-

Cindy Drake is out of town, but she is working to unite the churches in the Deanery. There will be a deanery meeting in the summer. St. James, Hendersonville has decided to help fund the Diocesan ECW.

Mountain-Sally Prosch stated that she had called all the churches in the deanery and there was only one other ECW, besides Holy Cross and that was Blowing Rock. The churches in the Mountain Deanery are not as active in the winter months.

Piedmont- Becky Whelan will set up a deanery meeting in May. The Interim Priest at Redeemer Shelby is trying to reorganize the ECW at that church.

Western- Alyson Nelson has been helping in Mississippi and Alabama and was not able to attend.

Unfinished Business-

Mary Ann announced that the Spring Meeting would be held at Deerfield on April 26, 2007. The women priests in the diocese will be honored. The speakers will be Virginia Monroe, rector at Good Shepherd, Cashiers, Dee Ann De Montmollin, St. Francis, Rutherfordton and representing the deacons will be Laine Calloway. Karin Kastetter will help with preparations for the meeting. The board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 25. Following the meeting we will have dinner at the Boat House and reservations will be made by Pat Jollie.

Workshops will be held on June 30, 2007 at Redeemer, Shelby and September 15, 2007 at Grace, Waynesville.

Kay Meyer and Marcie Cherau will help with the workshops. Also Pat Jollie, and Katerina Whitley.

An ECW Retreat will be held at Valle Crucis August 3-5. Katerine will lead the workshop on Teresa of Avila. Cost will be \$150.00. Commuters will pay \$85.00. Mary Ann will send out flyers to be distributed.

Province IV Conference will be held at Kanuga June 4-6, 2007. We will provide goody bags for the participants. Mary Ann will ask the Deanery Chairman to help with this project.

Date in October for our Annual Meeting has still not been set.

Announcements-

Pat Jollie-announced that her church (Calvary) held soup sales during the winter months as a money making project. They took orders on Sunday and delivered the soup the next Sunday. The charge was \$2.50 a pint. They got pint containers from a Chinese Restaurant.

Mary Ann announced that the new Presiding Bishop gave credit to the ECW in her web cast. for doing a lot of funding in the early days of the church. Mary Ann sees this as a good sign of her support for the ECW.

Mary Ann will be at Mustand Island, Texas, for the National Board Meeting March 11-17, 2007.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned with prayer led by Katerina Whitley.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret King, Secretary