

## Nashville Catholic Business Women's League Monthly Meeting Minutes Wednesday, January 18, 2017

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## **MEETING MINUTES**

The Nashville Catholic Business Women's League (NCBWL) monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at University Club of Nashville, 2402 Garland Avenue. President Kathleen Pohlid called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Kathleen welcomed guests: Priscila Ackerman, Nanci Bauchiero, Deanna Budd, Betty Lou Burnett, Kathleen Farmer, Doreen Flash, Maria Fink, Frances Garner, Karen Hughes, Michelle Janasek, Donna Johnson, Linda Large, Nancy Mattson, Lori and David Pruett, Anne Ross, Debbie Smith, Pamela Standish, Cynthia Vera, Kelly Voigt, Lynne Warne, Cindy Zwickel.

Kathleen welcomed new member, Dwinna Mullins. Also, guests Pamela Standish and Lynne Warne became members this evening.

Teri Gordon led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Father Michael O'Bryan, NCBWL Spiritual Advisor, led us in the blessing of our dinner.

**Reflection:** Father O'Bryan delivered a reflection on journeys and pilgrimages.

**Program:** Lisa O'Neill-Sullivan introduced our Speaker, Father Mark Beckman. Father Beckman presented a slide show and shared his experiences in making a pilgrimage, The Camino de Santiago, The Way of James, from the Great Pyrenees Mountains in southern France and across Northern Spain. Father Beckman walked this 490-mile trail with two companions in 2014, traveling an average of 15 miles per day and exceeding 20 miles a day on several days. The pilgrimage destination was the shrine of the apostle St. James in the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Glacia, Spain. Tradition has it that the remains of St. James are buried there.

## **Business Meeting:**

Membership Announcements: Diana Miller distributed information regarding the Nashville Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Symposium scheduled April 21-22, 2017 at the Doubletree by Hilton in downtown Nashville. They are currently seeking patrons and advertisers for the program. Kathleen Pohlid will post information on this event on the NCWBL website.

Lily Ayala Berlyn announced that she has done the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage and has an active interest group on this pilgrimage for those who are interested.

Kathleen reported that Tricia Casa Santa recently had surgery. Please keep Tricia in your prayers.

Cora Newcomb lost her mother this week.

**Recording Secretary's Report:** A copy of the November meeting minutes was distributed to each attendee. After review and some requested updates, a motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the minutes of the November meeting as amended.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Sharon Alderman presented the treasurer's report detailing current assets as of December 31, 2016.

Checking account balance	\$ 11,611.72
Investment account balance	\$ 34,292.19
Scholarship account balance	\$ 160.31

**Total assets** \$ 46,064.22

Three \$10,000 scholarship checks, one each to St. Cecilia, John Paul II and Father Ryan schools, will be delivered on January 24, 2017.

A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made, seconded and approved.

<u>Membership/Recruitment</u>: Kathy Langan reported that there are 107 NCBWL members. Dues notices will be sent on March 1 for the upcoming fiscal year that begins on April 1.

<u>Programs</u>: Lisa Sullivan-O'Neill announced that Rebecca Thompson will be our speaker for the February meeting. Rebecca is a wardrobe consultant, and will share tips and present the latest trends in fashion.

<u>Correspondence/Communications</u>: Lindsay Thomeer noted that March 1 is the distribution date for the next NCBWL newsletter. Please send photos and NCBWL highlights for the newsletter to Lindsay.

<u>Fashion Show 2017</u>: Donna Adams reminded members that this year's fashion show will be held on September 30 at the Richland Country Club. This year the fashion show will be organized around four main areas: auction, Richland Country Club, publicity and fashion show. Donna is the auction chairperson and Paula Harris is the Richland Country Club liaison. We are still in need of a chairperson for the fashion show and for publicity.

<u>New Business</u>: Kathleen Pohlid requested feedback on the use of Evite for our meetings. She noted that the first quarter NCBWL Board meeting is scheduled for February 1 and invited members to send Kathleen or any board member items for the board meeting that they would like the board to address. Kathleen reminded members that a new board will be selected this year and that a committee for the board selection is needed. One current board member can serve on this committee. Anyone interested in serving on the board or serving on the selection committee should let Kathleen know. Members can serve on the selection committee whether or not they are interested in being on the board.

<u>Hospitality/Drawing</u>: Kathy Langan conducted the drawing for the centerpieces provided by Kathleen Pohlid. Debbie Lassiter, Karen Hughes, Kelly Voigt, Kelly McBrayer and Nanci Bauchiero won centerpieces. Frances Garner won the cash drawing of \$27.00.

There being no further business, following the recitation of the Memorare, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorene Steffes