**Zoom Minutes for August 16, 2002 Meeting**

**Attendance:**  Pat Watanabe, Rose Pikor, Cyndi Malow, Julie Watanabe, Donna Nesbitt, Fiona Archer, Sister Martha De-La Torre, Susan Johnston, Mary La Torre

**Opening Prayer:**  Pat Watanabe

**Strangers No Longer Organizational Meeting:** There will be a 4 hour meeting on September 27th. Fundraising and new items will be discussed.

**Parish Update:** Cyndi gave a report for Christian Service. A luncheon ended meetings for the year. Meetings will begin again in September.

**New and Continued Business:**

* Sister Martha updated us on the murder of her Jesuit Priest friends in Mexico. One of the criminals actually asked for a priest to say his confession. No arrests have been made. The cartels and even the government do not promote any justice to take place. Mexico is a very dangerous place.
* The backpack project is continuing. Twenty-three will go to Mujeres, and 18 will go to Sister Val. Donna is meeting with Michelle about it tomorrow and will let us know when to get the backpacks ready for pick up. Michelle was given a specific list on number of boys, girls, young and older kids for the backpacks. Julie suggested that she would try to get the backpacks to Marisol Sanchez if Marisol is going to the September 27th SNL Organizational meeting, since Julie plans on attending that meeting. Sister Martha said she is going to suggest to Marisol to attend the meeting even though she is not on the Board, since she is a leader for the group of women. This will help Marisol to not have to make the drive to pick them up. Sister Martha also said the women of the Mujeres group have started to collect some supplies because school will be starting sooner than last year, and some have started to share their supplies with each other. The deadline to bring in the supplies is on Sept. 22nd and then supplies should start to be put together in the backpacks. Julie talked about possibly moving the deadline earlier next year to give more time for this project.
* **Educational Enrichment:** We will meet at the church in Meeting Room B on September 20th to see an hour movie on “Mother Cabrini and the Heart of Jesus.” Some have read the book, but Julie stated that if we hadn’t had a chance to do so, watching the movie would still be very valuable. This will be our September meeting which would last about an hour and half.

**Fall/Winter Projects:**  We will probably still work on food boxes. We will discuss with working on Christmas stockings again this year. Last year we had 17 or 18 and we discussed how many should be made for this year. Donna said she could still make them. Last year we made some for Sister Val and some were for the Mujers group. Michelle Hayes thinks this project should be solely for SNL. More discussion for this will be at a later date. Pat Watanabe brought up the fact that Sister Val just celebrated her 50th Jubilee Anniversary. She suggested giving her a gift. Sister Martha suggested a Visa gift card so she can use it wherever she desires. Those who want to donate can let Pat know and Pat will get a gift card.

* **Fundraiser Ideas for the Circle:** Julie stated that we have a $1395 balance in our fund. We had received $1200 from the Youth Group from the “Super Bowl of Caring” and Julie thinks Claudia will still work with us on more donations with that project in the future. In the past, Cyndi had suggested types of fundraising. She stated that the Knights of Columbus in the past had raffle tickets which were sold when buying hot dogs and then had a gift won (large lighted pumpkin). We might do something similar at St. Michael’s Halloween Trick of Treat event and maybe raffle off Fall or Thanksgiving gift baskets. We will have to discuss this with Michelle and Father Mike. If Bob Murphy is still involved with Trick or Treat, we will also have to talk to him.

Cyndi will talk with Michelle first and will report to Julie on her response about having this fundraiser. Julie can also set up a “Sign up Genius” as she did last time, if we are permitted to have the raffle. We might also display the baskets when selling the raffle tickets. Julie suggested that we might also look into a restaurant night fundraiser. Pat talked about a fundraiser maybe next spring or summer dealing with a “taco night” where money could be raised. Sister Martha talked about one that had been done. Pat will also for other information on how some had been done. Cyndi talked about how this project may be coordinated with another event (such as Easter Seals, etc.). Rose talked about how she and Kathy B. had heard Sister Norma talk about how water is needed at the borders. We might discuss helping with that at a later date.

* **Zoom Cut Off:**  Our meeting was ended early from zoom. Julie e-mailed some items which were cut off.

**September Meeting:**  September 20th, Meeting Room B at the Church

**Agenda:**  Julie

**Minutes:** Rose

**Opening/Closing Prayer:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Communications with Kathy Chadick (Bulletin).** Julie

**Communication with Michele Hayes (Facebook):**  Fiona

**Closing Prayer:** Cyndi