

SCA/ Maria High School Association Meeting
Kaupas Kafe
September 17th, 2013
6:00 PM

Present:

Anna Belle O' Shea '74- Chair for the Meeting
Therese Naddy McGee '69
Sr. Elizabeth Ann Yocius '71
Connie Jesukaitis '73
Nancy Shotas '74
Linda (Juarez)Padilla '74
Suzy Etsch '75
Roz Iasillo '76
Nannette Zander '79
Maria Saenz '03
Britt (Johnson) Quinn '06
Cheryl Tolish
Amy Eckhouse
Sr. Regina Marie Dubickas
Sr. Margaret Zalot

Introductions

Opening Prayer- (Anna Belle O'Shea)

Sisters of St.Casimir (Sr. Regina Marie)

Review of SSC Regional Meetings

- Dwindling numbers
- Concerns
- Median age of sisters at 82

Decision for Spring of 2014-

- To assess the needs of the community and possibility of repurposing the Motherhouse

Some ideas:

Relocation to Franciscan Villa (Lemont)
Mercy Circle (McAuley Campus)
Maria Kaupas Center (Amy)

- Been open for 3 weeks
- Programming from 4:15-6:00 PM
- Begin with reflection in chapel
- Looking for sessions to be taught
- Dancing

What are your gifts? Please share them!

Funding (Cheryl)

- Gifted with 5 different grants
- More than \$100,000.00 in current
- Three more grants pending (\$20,000+)

- In process: "Eating Light--Eating Right"
- PNC Neighborhood Wishlist (\$500)
- healthy alternatives
- portion control, etc...

Prospect- Performing Art Therapy w/Therese McGee

Alumnae Communications (Sr.Margaret Zalot, Therese McGee '69, Wendy Lynn)

Database Update

- Updating information for alums
- Keep contact and update information

Database subcommittee meeting (Nanette & Maria)

6:00 PM, October 1st

**Can be used for networking purposes

Alvernia High School Alumnae Presentation (Judy Skotko)

- The power of Facebook
- Importance of media updates

Differences:

- Dues \$\$\$ (\$20/annual)
- No direct emailing
- Network of class representatives (coordinating, etc...)

- Volunteer task
- maintain class list, addresses, phone numbers, etc...

Alumni association revolves around one pivotal event (annual)

- Can double as a reunion function
- Functions as a fundraiser

May 3rd Reunion Discussion

****1st Reunion Committee will meet on 10/15 at 6:00 PM in the Kaupas Kafe**

Suggestions:

- Tours
- Weekend Retreat
- Bourbon Street

Reunion Committee

- 2 or 3 people from each anniversary class?

Linda

Nance

Roz

Nanette

Suzie

Sr. Elizabeth Ann

Connie S

-Sister Elizabeth Ann asked for a list of people in the anniversary classes so she can call a few people and ask them to join the committee

All Souls Mass- November 2nd

Database meeting- 10/1 @ 7:00

Reunion Committee- 10/15 @ 6:00

Next alumni association meeting- 10/8 @ 6:00

Additional Ideas:

"Sponsor a Sister" -- semi-annual newsletter

-Donations for Sisters

Developing a network of all the closed schools from the Chicagoland???

What would SCA/MHS Alums like to see?

-One major thing annually

--Bourbon Street

--Sox or Cubs games

--Musical/Show

-Organizing smaller trips

-Consider selling advertising

-Reach out to alums with businesses to help with projects/services