

PSA Meeting
November 17, 2008

Welcome and opening prayer given by PSA President, Tim Mayfield.

Tim introduced our new Treasurer, Teresa Wilson and our new Vice President, Tammie Harshbarger.

Mrs. Hardin thanked the PSA for purchasing the drums for our music program. The 8th grade class and Mrs. Hardin gave a wonderful demonstration of the drums. She hopes to have all classes (K-8) using the drums by the end of the year. Everyone will get to hear the 8th grade at the Christmas Program.

Minutes were read from the last meeting (September 15, 2008) by PSA Secretary, Tammy Sasek.

Financial Report given by PSA Treasurer, Teresa Wilson.

Tim thanked Terri Simpson for Chairing the Butter Braids fund raiser. Terri was unable to be at delivery so her mother and sister so graciously helped and took over giving out the Butter Braids.

FUNDRAISERS

Several Fundraisers were discussed:

- Selling Watkins products would give us a 25% profit but most products are now available to purchase at Wal-Mart.
- Glass with Class - personalized bake/kitchen ware. If we order 100 pieces we can make 45% profit - up to 241 items gives us a 52% profit. This has a quick turnaround. We are thinking about doing this in the spring (to have in time for Mother's Day). Julie Coleman will get brochures and more information and present it at the next meeting.
- Auntie Anne Pretzel Kits -- we would get 50% profit. This was voted as a "yes". We will be selling Auntie Anne Pretzels as a fund raiser asap. Terri Simpson will get information and packets to us as soon as she gets them.
- Candles - Terri Simpson gave information on candle sales. Yankee Candles and Home Interior Candles are very expensive. Gold Canyon are reasonable and Terri says Missy Cafazza will donate the brochures which usually cost over \$100. This will be reevaluated in spring.
- Sell Discount Cards. Terri Simpson found a company that does it all (gets the business to donate something or a percentage off). The cards would cost \$10 and we would get 50%. Feedback was that there are too many schools/sports clubs that already sell them.
- Mice Races - has the potential to make about \$4000 (with 180 people participating) but we could not have them in Bethalto (gambling). This is something new which is appealing.

- Trivia Night - This would be a fairly easy fundraiser and we could have it in our gym so we would not have the cost of renting a hall. We could combine it with a silent auction, asking each class to donate a basket. Feedback: Youth Group does a Trivia Night every spring.

A few were concerned we might have too many fundraisers. Asking family and friends to buy over and over again would not be right. After much discussion, we voted and decided to sell Auntie Anne's Pretzel Kits and have a Trivia Night w/Silent Auction. The pretzel sales will start soon. The Trivia Night is tentatively booked for January 31 (end of Catholic Schools Week). The Glass with Class and Candles will be discussed as possibilities for spring.

The following volunteered to be on the committee for the Trivia Night:

Elinore Morin	Mary Stacks
Mary Terry	Tammy Sasek
Jennifer Hamann	Jayne Poulsen
Shelly Bell	Marty & Shannon Bond
Tammie Harshbarger	

Discussion about having a Quilt Raffle separate from the silent auction was discussed. Nothing decided.

Back to Business

Tim went over what was requested from Mrs. R. which was computers and everything related to updating and maintaining our computers. PSA voted and agreed to pay \$6922 for all those expenses.

PSA usually gives a check for Christmas to all the teachers. \$1500+ was approved for this.

Terri Simpson brought up Santa's Workshop for the kids. Are we going to have it this year? She would like to keep the tradition going. Nancy Schaaf said she will be in charge of this again this year. Jeanie Madrey and Terri Simpson will help her. Instead of paying for wrapping paper, we will be asking each family to donate a roll of Christmas wrapping paper.