

Antiochian Women
Diocese of Wichita and Mid-America



Agenda

2008 Diocese of Wichita and Mid-America Parish Life Conference
June 18th through 21st
Dallas, Texas

Most Reverend
Metropolitan PHILIP
Founder
358 Mountain Road
Englewood, New Jersey 07631

1. Call to Order
 - a. Opening Prayer- Reverend Christopher Morris
 - b. Roll Call- Verla McCullough, Acting Secretary
 - c. Minutes of Last Meeting- written report
 - d. Financial Reports
 - i. Operating Account- Judy Stevens, Treasurer
 - ii. Fundraising Account- Sherry Abraham- Morrow
 - e. Correspondence
 - f. Spiritual Advisor Presentation- Fr. Christopher Morris
 - g. President's Welcome Message- Winona Nava
2. Coordinator's Reports
 - a. Project- Jane Harakal, Vice-President
 - b. Public Relations- written report by Carol Comp
 - c. Missions- Carol McCabe
 - d. Website- written report by Linda Steinbrink
 - e. Religious- Linda Mobayed
 - f. Humanitarian- Yvonne Khouri
3. Old Business
 - a. Deanery Coordinator Reports
 - i. Judy Stevens, Great Plains
 - ii. Verla McCullough, Kansas
 - iii. Carol Comp, Oklahoma
 - iv. Carol McCabe, Colorado and Wyoming
 - v. Jane Harakal, North Texas
 - vi. Yvonne Khouri, Central Texas
 - vii. Nada Farah, East Texas
 - viii. Winona Nava, Southwest
 - b. Other Old Business
4. New Business
 - a. Scrapbook Update
 - b. Summer Meetings at Antiochian Village- July 24th to 28th 2008
 - c. Pilgrimage to Kearney, Nebraska- October 24th to 25th, 2008
 - d. Winter Meeting, Location to be determined, February 2009
 - e. 2009 Parish Life Conference, St. Mary's Wichita, Kansas June 10th-14th
 - f. Other New Business
5. Exchange of Ideas
6. Adjournment- Prayer by Father Christopher Morris

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Women of North America
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Minutes of the 2007 Fall Meeting

Winona Nava opened meeting with the singing of the Troparian & Prayer

Winona Introduced Fr. Christopher Morris who is the new Spiritual Advisor to the DOWAMA Antiochian Women.

Fr. Chris expressed his thanks to the women for support of the Men in Black retirement fund and his honor to serve the women of the region as Advisor.

A message from Bishop Basil he is pleased with the retreat format and may our meeting be blessed.

Treasurer Judy Stevens read the financial report checkbook balance = \$12,975.97 see attached

Sherry Abraham Morrow gave the T-shirt sales report (see attached) and mentioned there would be items for sale at the Fall Meeting.

Minutes were read Esther Samara moved to accept, motion was seconded and carried

Holy bread videos were sent out. Three were returned for bad addresses.

A letter was received acknowledging receipt of monies for the child sponsored through Children's Relief Fund. \$300 will be due for 2007. Administrators of the fund would like remittance by Christmas. This chapter has been sponsoring a child since 1994. All of the donated funds are used to sponsor the child. Sherry Abraham Morrow moved that \$300 be sent + \$25 for Easter and \$25 for Christmas. Motion seconded and passed.

Betsy Buck spoke about the events of the retreat titled "A Great Cloud of Witness" which was to be held in the boardroom.

Fr. Chris announced the next Fall Meeting is to be held at St George in Kearney, NE. There is to be a new grave monument dedicated to Fr. Nichola Yanney. A Trisagian service will be held at the grave. There is no agenda yet

Kathy Jacobs suggested to Winona that she work closely with Judy Stanley.

Winona opened discussion on what the women would like to do for the retreat/meeting in 2008.

A suggestion was made to alternate years with local and outside speakers.

Information would be sent out at the beginning of the year and particulars would be announced at the Parish Life Conference. There was confusion this time on the order of events and future events should be planned well in advance especially with presidential term constraints.

Lillian Hamer of St. Anthony noted email correspondence is working well, women need 5-6 months to plan the events and the verbiage needs to be clearer to promote better attendance.

Winona noted the need to begin advertising events even if dates and times are unknown. Fall Meeting is usually the third weekend in October at St. Elijah Oklahoma City, OK.

She asked the ladies to write down suggested speakers.

The Mid-winter Business Meeting will be the first weekend in February at the Antiochian Village for national & regional officers.

Winona asked for questions from parishes with new organizations and for a volunteer to update the DOWAMA bylaws.

Moon Hamra invited all to attend November 8-11 Fall Hafli and bake sale @ St. Anthony Tulsa.

All meeting attendees stood and gave a brief overview of chapter activities. A few of the events included a fiesta & silent auction, kibbe sale, afghan sale, cookbook sale, fish dinner, fatayer sale & wedding catering.

After a brief discussion, Mother Nectaria was agreed to be the speaker who draws the most attendance.

As the agenda was completed the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Gregory
Secretary

Roll

Fr. Christopher Morris
Winona Nava
Judy Stevens
Betsy Buck
Peggy Gregory
Kathy Jacobs
Moon Hamra
Esther Samara
Lillian Hamer
Madeline Teague
Janette Shadid
Georgia McCracken
Linda Delmisch
Carol McCabe
Beulah Farha
Sherry Abraham-Morrow
Bertha McMurry
Denise Gleason

St. George Kearney, NE
Holy Trinity Santa FE, NM
St. Thomas Sioux City, IA
St. Elijah OKC
St. Mary Omaha, NE
St. Thomas Sioux City, IA
St. Anthony Tulsa, OK
St. Elijah OKC
St. Anthony Tulsa, OK
St. Anthony Tulsa, OK
St. Elijah OKC
St. Peter FT. Worth, TX
St. Peter FT. Worth, TX
St. Mark Denver, CO
Wichita, KS
St George Cathedral Wichita, KS
St. Elijah OKC
Holy Trinity Santa FE, NM

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MINUTES

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The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by the president, Judy Stevens. Fr. Constantine led the opening Lord's Prayer, and Women's prayer.

There was a change in the agenda so that some of the women who were leaving to attend workshops could be present to vote for the new officers.

Sherry Abraham-Morrow directed the election of officers. Seeking the office of President were Randa Stevens and Winona Nava, with Winona being declared elected. There was only one person seeking office of Vice-President. That was Jane Harakal, and Nada Farah moved for this election. There was a second, and motion passed. One person was seeking the office of Treasurer. That was Judy Stevens, and acceptance motion was made by Ethol Agerson. There was a second, and the motion passed. One person also was seeking the office of Public Relations, and that was Carol Comp. Yvonne Khouri moved that she be elected. There was a second, and the motion passed. Later in the meeting Peggy Gregory was elected Recording Secretary. The appointed coordinators will be: Humanitarian, Yvonne Khouri; Religious, Linda Mobyed; Membership, Carol McCabe.

Khourye Maggie Ho^{ck}ck, representing the Board of Trustees, Department of Marriage, brought a survey for each of us to complete, called Survey of the Laity 2007.

Fr. Constantine expressed his gratitude for all that the women have done. He had remarks about the development of the Holy Bible, and that we should take advantage of having a bible available to us. Our new Spiritual advisor will be Fr. Chris Morris from Kearney, Ne.

At this time the roll call was taken.

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Sherry Abraham- Morrow moved acceptance of the mailed minutes. There was a second and the motion passed.

Winona Nava gave the Treasurers report, which Carol McCabe moved to accept. There was a second, and motion passed.

Sherry Abraham-Morrow gave the Tshirt report. The balance is \$3310.95. \$1800 has been given to Camp St. Raphael. Motion was made by Margaret Morriss to accept the report. There was a second, and the motion passed.

NAB President Laila Ferris was present to give an overview of the Antiochian Women's work. The organization was formed by Metropolitan Phillip in 1973. The three levels of the organization are: 1) Local Level--to support your faith, 2) Diocesan Level--to support each other, and 3) NAB--caring for those in need. In the 35 years of our existence, we have raised over 2 million dollars for various causes.

Randa Stevens reported that we have given \$20,240.82 for the Retired Clergy Fund, so far.

Carol Comp reported that she has had good support using Emails. The scrapbook project is under way. There will be a special mailing about fund raisers. The Memorial Book is to recognize women who have died. It will show what they have done to help local chapters, and the Diocese.

Religious Coordinator, Peggy Gregory reported that the Icon is in Beaumont, Tx.

The fall meeting will be held on Oct. 19&20 in Oklahoma City. There will be a business meeting on Friday afternoon, and a retreat will be held on Friday evening and Saturday. At this time one speaker is committed, and another is needed. We will pay for their transportation, room and board.

Holy Bread videos will be ready by July. Ethel Agerson moved that we buy 5 videos to give to new missions. There was a second, and the motion passed.

Judy Stanley, President of St. John the Divine, said the fellowship will send

a letter to each church listing dues for St. John, Women's group, and Soyo, hoping they will pay them. We discussed having lower dues for small churches and missions.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane Harakal".

Jane Harakal, Recording Secretary

**DIOCESE OF WICHITA AND MID-AMERICA
2008 DUES AND PROJECT REPORT**

CHURCH	LOCATION	DUES	PROJECT	COMMENTS
All Saints	Salina, KS	\$375.00	\$150.00	
Church of the Ascension	Norman, OK			
Forty Holy Martyrs of Sebaste Mission	Sugar Land, TX			
Holy Resurrection	Gillette, WY	\$150.00		
Holy Transfiguration Mission	Hillsboro, KS			
Holy Trinity	Corpus Christi, TX			
Holy Trinity Mission	Little Rock, AR			
Holy Trinity	Santa Fe, NM	\$375.00	\$500.00	
Our Lady of Walsingham	Mesquite, TX			
SS. Contantine & Helen	Dallas, TX	\$375.00	\$1,000.00	
SS. Peter & Paul	Topeka, KS			
St. Anthony the Great	Spring, TX	\$375.00		
St. Antony	Tulsa, OK			
St. Augustine	Denver, CO			
St. Basil the Great Mission	Kansas City, KS			
St. Benedict of Nursia	Wichita, KS			
St. Columba	Lafayette, CO			
St. Elias	Arvada, CO	\$375.00		
St. Elias	Austin, TX	\$375.00	\$266.01	
St. Elijah	Oklahoma City, OK	\$375.00	\$2,539.98	
St. George Cathedral	Wichita, KS	\$375.00	\$3,000	
St. George	El Paso, TX	\$375.00	\$1,160.00	
St. George	Houston, TX	\$375.00	\$2,000	
St. George	Kearney, NE	\$375.00	\$100.00	
St. James	Ft. Collins, CO			
St. John the Divine	Lake Charles, LA			
St. John the Forerunner	Austin, TX	\$375.00	\$100.00	
St. John the Theologian Mission	Rapid City, SD	\$50.00		
St. Joseph	Houston, TX	\$375.00	\$145.00	
St. Luke	Lafayette, CO	\$375.00	\$105.00	
St. Luke Mission	Abilene, TX			
St. Mark	Denver, CO	\$375.00	\$250.00	
St. Mary Magadelene	Manhattan, KS			
St. Mary	Omaha, NE	\$375.00		
St. Mary	Wichita, KS	\$375.00		
St. Michael	Beaumont, TX	\$375.00	\$937.50	
St Michael Mission	Wichita, KS			
St. Nicholas	Shreveport, LA	\$375.00	\$150.00	
St. Peter	Ft. Worth, TX	\$375.00	\$1,500.00	
St. Sophia Mission	Austin, TX	\$350.00		
St. Thomas	Sioux City, IA	\$375.00	\$1,566.00	
St. Vincent of Lerins	Omaha, NE	\$375.00	\$73.00	
TOTAL		\$8,800.00	\$15,542.49	

Beginning Bal: \$12,975.97

Income:

\$ 8,800.00 Dues
15,542.49 Project
375.00 (Next Years Dues)
450.00 Retreat
771.13 Profit from PLC
18.80 Interest

Total: 25,957.42

Expenses:

NAB – ck #186 \$ 1,866.03✓
ck #206 15,317.49
ck #233 1,475.00
ck #234 75.00
ck #207 600.00
ck #231 100.00

St. Elijah 100.91 (Retreat Speaker) Ck #230
55.00 (Icon) Ck #228
Childrens Relief 350.00 Ck #231

Judy Stevens: 1,367.19 Ck #200 Natl. Conv.
100.00 Ck #227 Fall Meeting

Winona Nava 200.00 Ck #198 Natl. Conv.
138.61 Ck #204 Postage
521.07 Ck #232 Fall Meeting
543.81 Ck #235 Mid Winter Meeting

Randa Stevens 37.44 Gift Outgoing President ck #195
200.00 Natl Conv Ck #202

Peggy Gregory 100.00 Fall Meeting Ck #229

Yvonne Khouri 200.00 Natl Conv Ck #201
192.21 Mailings Ck #236

Carol McCabe 60.60 Postage Ck #205
100.00 Fall Meeting #226

Jane Harakal 200.00 Natl Conv #199
119.30 Fall Meeting & Postage Ck

Total Expenses: \$ 24,119.66

Current Bal: 14,813.73

**ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN OF
THE DIOCESE OF WICHITA & MID-AMERICA
FUNDRAISER ACCOUNT SUMMARY
June 13, 2007 – June 16, 2008**

BALANCE FORWARD (as of June 13, 2007)

A. Balance in checking account at Fidelity Bank in Wichita	\$ 1002.78
B. Cash on hand for Fundraiser change	\$ 39.00
C. Principal in CD at Fidelity Bank in Wichita (Fundraiser money)	\$ 8507.88

INCOME

A. Income from sale of Fundraiser Items	\$ 3088.00	
Logo'd Items	\$ 2039.00	
Sterling Silver Jewelry	724.00	
Lenten/Vegetarian Cookbooks	134.00	
Holy Bread Cloths	90.00	
Prayer Books	32.00	
Antiochian Women Pins	69.00	
B. Donations & Reimbursement for shipping charges	68.61	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 3156.61	

EXPENDITURES

A. Operating Expenses	\$ 50.43	
Postage, Printing, & Supplies	\$ 50.43	
B. Purchases of Regional Fundraiser Items to sell	1038.30	
Logo'd Items	\$ 885.30	
Sterling Silver Jewelry	75.00	
Lenten/Vegetarian Cookbooks	78.00	
C. Contributions given to Camp St. Raphael Fund	1525.00	
Proceeds from Fundraiser Sales		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	< \$ 2613.73 >	

Money in T-Shirt Checking Account at Fidelity Bank (Wichita)	\$ 1545.66
Cash on hand for Fundraiser change	\$ 39.00
Certificate of Deposit at Fidelity Bank in Wichita (Fundraiser money)	\$ 8915.90
(Interest earned this year - \$408.02. The next Maturity Date will be 8/19/08 @ 4.71%)	

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherry Abraham-Morrow

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EXPENDITURES - FUNDRAISER ACCOUNT

6/19/07	U.S. Postal Service	\$ 7.77
	Postage for Duncan & Powers' Orders	
7/20/07	Resort Promo Wear	397.80
	Logo'd Items	
8/24/07	Modes Jewelers	63.00
	Jewelry	
8/24/07	Sayed Jewelers	12.00
	Jewelry	
9/20/07	Resort Promo Wear	487.50
	Logo'd Items	
9/21/07	The Mail Room	15.01
	Postage for St. Mary's, Omaha (Steinbrink) Order	
10/05/07	U.S. Postal Service	4.60
	Postage for St. Mary's, Omaha (Steinbrink) Order	
10/24/07	U.S. Postal Service	4.90
	Postage for Gregory Order	
11/29/07	U.S. Postal Service	2.15
	Postage for Olnhausen Order	
2/19/08	U.S. Postal Service	16.00
	Postage for St. John, Rapid City, SD Order	
6/09/08	Ladies of St. George	78.00
	Lenten/Vegetarian Cookbooks	
6/15/08	Camp St. Raphael	1525.00
	Proceeds from Fundraiser Sales	
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	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 2613.73