

**Magdalen PTO Meeting  
March 4, 2009**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dianne McCully, Tina Collins, Christy Waner, Stephanie Nichols, Jacki Gimino, Annie Sauber, Jeanie Andrist, Michelle McCollough, Nathalie Theroux, Joan Ackerman, Annette Duncan, Wendy Johnson, Aimee Dester, Janice Palmer, Stephanie Bartel, Kim Orr, Ann Rudy, Dianne Kilby, Jackie Schumacher, Lena Antoun and Fr. Pat York

**OPENING PRAYER:** Dianne McCully led us in a Hail Mary prayer.

**WELCOME:** Dianne McCully, President welcomed those present and Introductions were made.

**SECRETARY REPORT:** Jacki Gimino read the February minutes and the minutes from the Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> Executive Board Mtg. Minutes stood as read.

**PRESIDENT REPORT:** Dianne McCully read notes of appreciation from Victory in the Valley and Mary Castlebury concerning Magdalen service projects during Catholic Schools Week.

**VICE PRESIDENT REPORT:** Wendy Johnson, Vice President for the next year, read names for PTO positions that have been filled for next year: Joan Ackerman-Treasurer, Michelle McCollough and Shala Hoffman-Spirit Wear, Jeanie Andrist and Diane Kilby-Hospitality, Lena Antoun and Kelli Conover-Teacher Appreciation, Monica Chessmore-Box Tops, Shannon Nye-Spring Fling, Kelli Kennedy-Easter Egg Hunt, Terra Reusser and Kim Orr-Catholic Schools Week. Positions still needing to be filled: Decorating, Welcoming, Volunteers, Parish Picnic. A discussion ensued about having a separate position for the Used Uniforms.

**TREASURER REPORT:** Stephanie Nichols read the Treasurer report. It was noted that the office kept track of all the monies spent on Catholic Schools week.

**PRINCIPAL REPORT:** Janice Palmer addressed the following: Thanks to PTO for the new microphone system, which the school had received and the supplier is donating his time to set up the system. The sound for the spring musical was much better. PE appreciates the new equipment. There is a new boy in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. They are working on enrollment numbers. There is a candidate for half-day kindergarten and that class will go to full day after spring break as scheduled. The REACH system was very helpful during the loss of Mrs. Porter.

**HOSPITALITY:** Jackie Schumacher reported that 399 pretzels were made for 326 orders and that volunteers were needed after the meeting to take the pretzels to the classes

and sell the left over ones at the consession stand. The last Wonderful Wednesday is in May and popcicles will be sold.

**VOLUNTEER:** Liz Anderson addressed the following: Volunteers are still needed for lunch and recess. Small children are not allowed w/ the volunteers for liability purposes which Aimee Dester confirmed. Should each class be assigned a month to supply volunteers next year and let the Room Mothers spearhead filling the dates? A discussion arose about this plan and Tina Collins suggested this was too much for the Room Mothers, but it was also thought that if sign ups were monthly then more volunteers might be found. A school wide email will be sent about the need for Veritus trained volunteers as well as a request being put in the church bulletin. Dads should be encouraged to volunteer.

**EASTER EGG HUNT:** Wendy Johnson reported that the supplies had been ordered and she would put the announcement in the Church Bulletin at the appropriate time. Volunteers were needed to stuff the eggs. It was thought that six hundred eggs would be enough. Discussion ensued about either splitting up age groups or having a separate area for younger children or limiting the number of eggs that could be collected. Fr. Pat assured us that it would not rain, so no alternative plan was needed.

**SPRING FLING:** Spring Fling will be Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at All Star Sports. It will be from 5 to 9 PM w/ doors opening at 4:30. \$14 for food and ride tickets, \$3 for food only and \$11 for rides only. There is no school the next day.

**ARTESIA:** Ann Rudy addressed the following: single tickets are \$40, regular tables are \$350 and table tiers are from \$500 to \$5000. School children will bring tickets home on March 6 and tickets will be sold after Mass on the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> of March. Each class will have art projects and baskets, acquisitions are still needed i.e. movie tickets, spa pkg, restaurant coupons etc. A Cigar Cabana is planned. Corporate Caterers will provide the food and beverages. Next mtg. is March 26 @ Louies.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Liz Anderson asked if there was any interest in doing the Scholastic Book Fair, which she would be willing to help with. Janice Palmer said they were looking in to the possibility.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Monica Chessmore requested \$200 for AR Book purchases. Wendy Johnson motioned for approval and Annette Duncan seconded. The motion passed. PTO will do a Memorial for Mrs. Porter. It was suggested to split \$50 evenly between the school and the M.S. Society. Joan Ackerman motioned that we do this and Annie Sauber seconded. The motion was passed. A short discussion ensued about setting up a Scholarship in Mrs. Porters honor. This will be looked into. There is a M.S. walk on April 4<sup>th</sup> and Magdalen will try to get a team set up to walk in Mrs. Porter's honor.

**CLOSING PRAYER:** PTO said the closing prayer with the School.

