

**YUBA-SUTTER RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
St. Isidore Parish Hall
February 1, 2006**

**PRESENT: Mike Gabhart
John Guth
Maureen Guth**

**Judi Mallen
Chuck Page
Rachel Williams**

Maureen restocked the Respect Life brochure holders and prayer cards in the vestibule of St. Isidore parish. There are still some Roe v. Wade flyers but no count was made of how many were placed there.

CALL TO ORDER/OPENING PRAYER:

The meeting was called to order by Maureen at 7:05 p.m. and opened with a prayer led by Chuck

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was m/s/c to approve the Minutes of the January 4, 2006, meeting with no corrections.

TREASURERS REPORT:

The balance is \$3,074, with all bills paid. We received \$1,000 from the Diocese; Maureen will send a thank-you. John reimbursed Pages for the "First Comes Love" tabloids; we will order another 100 and give some to Rachel. Maureen will be reimbursed for the Stickers for the Fair and will order the RU-486 brochures.

PRO-LIFE MASSES:

The monthly pro-life Masses have been requested for the first Monday each month, and paid for.

SPECIAL PROJECT/Small Billboard:

Maureen will place another announcement in the St. Isidore bulletin. She reported Gary Arlington read the announcement in St. Joseph's bulletin. He lives in District 10, north of Marysville, and is willing to place a 4x8-foot, professionally made sign on his property. He will check with Yuba County to determine their requirements.

The Mallen's property was originally appropriately zoned but since they are now in the city, John found that any permanent sign has to be related to the business. However, they would be able to post a temporary vinyl sign periodically throughout the year. John will also check with Rogelio Martinez, since he owns his building and may be willing to do the same temporary signage.

Maureen has a list of where our billboards are supposed to be but no one has seen them. Chuck will follow-up with on-site visits.

LETTER TO NORTH VALLEY DEANERY:

Mike Gabhart was invited, and accepted, a place as a permanent member of our Board of Directors. He will be our Community Outreach. We have not received a response from Fr. Ben de Leon regarding the

letter to the Deanery, which was mailed January 14. Mike is scheduled to do a presentation for clergy in conjunction with A Woman's Friend on February 16 at Cornerstone Church.

Kathy Conner is leaving the Diocesan Respect Life Office to take a position with the University of Sacramento.

WEB PAGE UPDATE:

Because it has been less than 24 hours since the end of January, the stats are not available.

LEGISLATION UPDATE:

AB 654 and AB 651 (assisted suicide bills) are still being moved daily between committee hearings in what appears to be an attempt to have them heard in committee at an opportune time when the authors (Berg and Levine) think they can get them through committee and to the Senate where passage is likely.

AB 1121 (capital punishment moratorium) passed out of the Public Safety Committee but failed in the Appropriations Committee and is unlikely to be revived.

AB 1427 (tissues from aborted babies for DNA purposes) failed in committee.

SJR 19 (Resolution Celebrating Roe v. Wade) was introduced in the assembly on January 19 and is pending final vote.

SANCTITY OF LIFE WEEK ACTIVITIES:

The video with still pictures from the Walk for Life West Coast (provided by Bill Ollar) and from the Pro-Life Breakfast, Mass and Rally (taken by Chuck) was viewed. John took video of the Walk, and Mike made a DVD of Fr. Kessler's discussion with folks from Folsom on Rock of Life. These latter items will be added to Chuck's DVD.

Mike arranged one bus from the Yuba City area for the Walk, and will coordinate this again next year. It was noted that the breakfast, rosary, Mass and rally were better coordinated this year, with good breakfast speakers and Bishop Weigand's homily right on the mark.

The Baby Shower for AWF achieved \$1,106 in offerings plus many wonderful clothing items. Maureen has more clothes to still pick up.

RACHEL'S REPORT:

Rachel reported she has tried to set aside time to work on her project but has several scheduling conflicts and is also working more hours. She does hope to train others to participate when she can't, but has had difficulty getting people interested. She hasn't tried to pamphlet at the local schools. She is working with Fr. Bob Copsey at St. Joseph's but can't get others to commit. She noted that the St. Joseph Knights of Columbus did contribute funds for AWF.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

Following discussion, it was agreed to have a general membership meeting, probably in April or May, on a Sunday at 3 p.m. We will present general information about YSRTL, followed by Mike's

presentation on post-abortion syndrome, which will be the main focus. We will notify our entire mail list and place announcements in local church bulletins and the Catholic Herald. We will request RSVPs to get an approximate count for refreshments. We will set the date next month.

NEWS ITEMS/MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE:

Pages responded to a request from Rita Medina for a copy of the PP attack video and information on who was behind the graphic sex questionnaire given in Palmdale schools. Chuck will follow up on a telephone inquiry from an assistant to Assemblyman Rick Keene.

CLOSING PRAYER/ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned and closed with a prayer led by John at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Page

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday March 1, 2006