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ACTS Board Meeting February 6, 2007

The board welcomed its newest member, Lisa Lindeman. Mary is leaving the ACTS Board to take over the Parish liaison position for Love, Inc. She will replace Mike Conway who is the new Love, Inc. Board president. Thank you, Mary, for your two years of service with the ACTS Board. New board officers were elected: Robin Dale, President; Harold Heidersdorf, Vice President; and Marilyn Monagle, Secretary.

Men's ACTS 2007 Director, Bill Benning reported on the work the Men's team has accomplished and the support he still needs. Retreat registration forms have been delivered to CeCe for delivery to the Cathedral and Holy Trinity downtown. All the talks have been assigned, and there are eleven meetings left before the retreat. Currently there are 28 team members and 3 retreatants with an additional five men coming down from Wasilla. ACTS Missions will provide the airfare for the Wasilla men and they will form the core group for the first Men's Wasilla retreat.

The men and women's directors will be doing joint pulpit talks about the retreat at St. Paul's, the Cathedral, and Bill has agreed to invite the men of St. Brendan's.

Katie Benning is the Out Team Coordinator for the Men's ACTS retreat. Kerry Tonkin will be coordinating the meals. John Boddy has volunteered to coordinate the meals for the women's and Teens retreats. Marilyn Monagle is the Teen Out-Team Coordinator.

Heather Johnson Smith, Women's Director, was invited to the meeting but just got back in town so we will get her report at next month's meeting. By then she should have an Out Team Coordinator. Robin reported that meetings are going well - with good faith sharing and team building. Katie Benning and the Directors are doing an outstanding job of organizing and leading the team. Bill Benning is inviting all ACTS men to attend his team meetings on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Valley Senior Center. Additionally, Out-Team members will specifically be included in the last three or four meetings prior the men's retreat.

Retreat size is limited to 65 team and retreatants in order to accommodate comfortably everyone in the meeting room. We would rather have smaller teams and larger numbers of retreatants if possible. The women's team is at 35 - the maximum. As the ACTS community has grown, it is important that the new members have a chance to serve on team. If you want to serve, consider out team. Out team is an ideal opportunity that helps the retreatants and directors.

Current income and expense reports were provided to the Board.

John Boddy reported he spent eight hours cleaning, sorting, labeling and taking inventory of the ACTS supply closet... THANK YOU John, and crew, for all your hard work! Anyone wanting to use ACTS Supplies, for example, the men putting on the WORD retreat one week before our men's retreat, must submit a list to John of supplies needed, and he will check out the supplies at his discretion.

Amachi, the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program for children of prison inmates, is a ministry undertaken by the Mens Team leadership. Bill Benning, Hal Kulm and Pat Moore will attend an Open House on 2/15/07 to learn more about the ministry. They will provide more info at the next board meeting.

Lisa Lindeman tentatively agreed to head up Family Camp, set for July 6-7. There will be a couple of changes. Attendees must pay prior to the retreat. We will need medical release forms on those children whose parents do not attend the camp. Ideally parents should be there with their children. Marilyn will help plan crafts and activities for families.

ACTS Director's Workshop

The ACTS Director's Workshop was cancelled due to schedule conflicts. Most of the new Directors and co-directors have enough experience as team members and previous co-directors and they will do a great job without additional training as long as they use their Director's manuals as a resource. Fr. Tony will work with Bobbie Ackley. Next year we will select the Directors in October and hold the Director's Workshop in November. It will go on the calendar early enough so it can take place before the teams begin meeting.



Looking Ahead

- ACTS Mission Board 2/26 6:15 pm at St. Paul's classroom 4
- ACTS Board Meets 1st Tuesday of each month (3/6) 6:30 pm @ St. Paul's classroom 3
- Men's Bagels & Bibles 2nd & 4th Sat of each month 7-9 am
- Men's Retreat May 3-6 (Bill Benning)
- Women's Retreat June 7-10 (Heather Johnson-Smith)
- Family Camp July 6&7 (Lisa Lindeman & Randy Coleman)
- Teen Retreat July 26-29 (Debbie Augustus & Katie Monagle)
- Women's Wasilla Oct 25-28 (Bobbie Ackley)
- Men's Wasilla Nov 1-4 (Mike Monagle)

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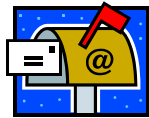
Cathy Ellenbecker

The ACTS Missions' board continues to meet monthly. The main order of business will be to help facilitate and move forward with the logistics and financial planning for the men's retreat next November 1-4 in Wasilla. Mike Monagle is the director. He will be putting a team together in the spring.

Five new members have joined the board since November. We will be bringing on one more for 12. This number is more in line with the suggestion of Larry Lopez from the San Antonio ACTS Missions board. If you have any issues or concerns that you would like addressed by the board, please contact a board member.

We had a very successful Jar Jamboree in December and raised \$2,907! Thank you for your support! Additionally, the proceeds of the Third Annual Gumbo Gala and Decadent Dessert Auction will go toward the many costs of taking a retreat "on the road".

The next board meeting will be Monday, February 26 at 6:15 in classroom #4.



Electronic Newsletter is here!

If we have your email address, you should have already received an electronic version of *ACTS in ACTION*. Our plan is to move an all (or mostly all) electronic publication. Look for a postcard in the coming weeks to specify your preference, and update your email address. We will also be looking for your feedback about how ACTS can better serve you. Meanwhile, send your prose, plugs and pleas to [Margaret O'Neal](mailto:Margaret.O'Neal).

Link to ACTS

- At www.actsinaction.com/Notices/Buy.Sell.Trade.htm you can exchange items with your ACTS brothers and sisters.
- Catholic Readings are at www.nccbuscc.org/nab/.
- Submit agenda items for ACTS Board to Board Chair, [Robin Dale](mailto:Robin.Dale).

What would you like to see happen in the ACTS community?

More gatherings? Singing? Faith Sharing Service groups? Outreach? Please let us know....email or contact a board member. How would you like to volunteer? ACTS committees have been established to help members stay connected and to fulfill ACTS ministries. Contact the ACTS Board members below to get involved. Service ([Robin Dale](#) and [Lisa Lindeman](#)); Community Relations/Communications ([Margaret O'Neal](#)); Retreat Supplies ([John Boddy](#)); Retreat Support ([Harold Heidersdorf](#)); Follow-Up ([Jamey Young](#) and [Marilyn Monagle](#)).



Nelson 50th Anniversary Extravaganza!

Please join us in the Celebration of James and Ruth Nelson's 50th Anniversary on Saturday February 17th, 2007. There will be a special celebratory mass at 1 pm at St.

Paul's Parish, followed by a potluck reception in the hall. Please bring side dishes, salads, or finger foods. Please contact Lucy Nelson for more information, and about how you can help 523-5903 or nelsonlucy@hotmail.com.

Volunteer opportunities - Project Playgrounds

Hundred's of volunteers are needed to help build Project Playground at Twin Lakes.

Confirmed dates for construction are as follows:
May 22 - May 26, 2007 (Tuesday - Saturday)
MAY 29 - June 2, 2007 (Tuesday - Saturday)

Older kids are welcome to help and childcare will be provided. For more information please call Lora Mallinger, Project Playground Co-Coordinator, at 780.4555.

