

**THE ANNUAL MEETING
ST. ANN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
WOODSTOCK, IL**

JANUARY 17, 2010

Attending: Rev. Patricia Conley, Becky Stretch, Alice Inouye, Ruth Cotton, Duane A. Lahti, Gunnar Gitlin, Joanne Gitlin, Gunnar Gitlin, Hannah Gitlin, Cynthia DeYoung, Bill Clow, Becky Clow, Lenore Beyer-Clow, Nancy Wright, Dinah Hoppe, Tom Hoppe, Randy Wakitsch, Holly Williams, Roma Simons, Nancy Phillips, Ben Phillips, Joan Purdy, Rob Purdy, Jeffrey Scott, Susan Scott, Michael Emrich, Terree Emrich, Nancy Jung, Heather L. Bennett, Catherine Sinnoth Etheridge, Scott Hills, Jerry Kraemer, Ana Kraemer, Paul W. Grasmehr, Joy Francione, Nadine Francione, Quinn Killinger, Tim Killinger, Bridgett, Killinger, Skylar Killinger, Diane Enriquez, Sharon Porter, Irene Brown, Dwayne Raney, Bruce Armstrong, Natalie Armstrong, Mary Jane Andrews, Robin Andrews, Janet Knuth, Robert Knuth, Terry Finlayson, David Orth

Reverend Pat begins the meeting with an Opening Prayer - The meeting commences at 11:47 a.m.

Ben Phillips, incoming Junior Warden, offers a welcoming toast!

Appointment of Secretary for the Meeting – Thank you to Joanne Gitlin for serving as Clerk of the Vestry for the past year. Susie Scott is appointed substitute recorder for the meeting. Moved: Dwayne Raney, Second: Terree Emrich. Approved.

Approval of Minutes from 2009 Meeting – Motion to accept the January 18, 2009, Minutes. Unanimously Approved.

Recognition of the Retiring Senior Warden, Retiring Clerk of the Vestry, Retiring Treasurer, and Retiring Vestry Members – Mike White, Holly Williams, Duane Lahti, Becky Stretch, Joanne Gitlin, Victoria Castillo, Tim Killinger. Heartfelt thanks and a thunderous round of applause are offered.

Presentation and Election of Vestry Members and Officers

Senior Warden:	Joan Purdy
Junior Warden:	Ben Phillips
Vestry (three years):	Vincent Castillo Bill Braun Dinah Hoppe John Kunath
Vestry (two years):	Jerry Kraemer

Moved: Nancy Wright, Second: Mike Emrich. Approved

Committee Reports:

Altar Guild – Ruth Cotton gives special thanks to Pat McCullough for her leadership of the Altar Guild. Thanks to those who serve on the guild: Joanne Gitlin, Sharon Porter, Joan Purdy, Dinah Hoppe, Roma Simons, Nancy Phillips, Ruth Cotton and Mary Keyse.

Senior Warden's Report – Joan Purdy fills in for Mike White. Joan looks forward to serving as the Senior Warden and asks all the please read Mike White's report.

Needlepoint Group – Nancy Phillips explains that they work on the altar rail kneelers and the work is very detailed. Those who serve are noted: Dinah Hoppe, Nancy Redden, and Nancy Phillips.

Building & Grounds – Joannell Powers has been the Chairperson (2008 & 2009). A new joint team has been formed, Duane Lahti and Bill Clow. In 2009 there were numerous repairs to the basement after a big flood. A digital video of parish will be created for insurance purposes.

Parish Life – Nancy Phillips and Joan Purdy are the Chairpersons. There is an event calendar, which lists all the things that happen at the Parish throughout the year. Please take special note.

Children's Formation – Randy, Wakitsch, Anna Blaho, Anna Zaino, Sarah Sedlack, Laura Porth, Selena Payton and Pat Lechtanski, are instrumental in this ministry. Godly Play goes well, we've lost several children (Quinn and Skylar Killinger). Ben Phillips is teaching the Confirmation Class this year.

Adult Formation - Happening all the time and is ongoing.

Music Program – Terree Emrich sings her report of thanks and praise for the ministry of the choir and "notes" music as an integral part of the liturgy.

Green Group – Bill Clow reports and asks us to look for ways to make St. Ann's a hospitable place for the environment and make it a green space. St. Ann's can and does set a good example to the community.

Book Group – Victoria Castillo reports that the group meets once a month on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. to discuss the books in an informal and comfortable setting. A great variety of books are read.

Outreach Committee – Randy Wakitsch reports that we'll have horse manure for our project of building and planting a garden for the Woodstock Food Pantry. Saturday, January 30, 2010, there will be a seminar on volunteer opportunities in our community. We are in collaboration with WACM, support the food pantry, and the Woodstock community through the Angel Tree and Apple Tree.

WACM – Dinah Hoppe reports on the Annual Coat Drive, the Drop In Lunches, Walk for Hunger and the Festival Of Music (church choirs participate to raise funds). Help is always appreciated. \$81,000 was given out in 2009 to those in need.

Stewardship Committee – Holly Williams thanks us all and notes that stewardship is about finding out what is yours and having faithfulness in your giving. It is about living and giving in faith not fear. Thanks to all again and God’s gifts continue at St. Ann’s.

Finance Committee – Becky Stretch says it has been a wonderful year. Did complete the audit, special thanks to Nancy Wright and Ben Phillips for this. Have implemented new procedures and have them set in place. Kathy Rizzo skillfully handles the funds. Mike White and Holly Williams have been very involved in all processes.

Budget – Sharon Porter, Treasurer Elect, stands in for Mike White (Assistant Treasurer Elect) and reports that we have a balanced budget. We are hoping for the same in 2010 and wish to point out that the budget is “optimistic” with no wiggle room for disasters. Please take time to read the budget report thoroughly.

Anticipating 2010 - Reverend Patricia Conley – Being here and worshipping on Sundays is everything. Your presence in this holy space is essential. We touch the heart of God here and then carry it forth into our community. We recall the baptisms, funerals, and confirmations of the past year.

Parish Votes to Affirm The Budget – Moved: Dwayne Raney, Second: Bill Clow. Approved.

Blessing and Adjournment – The closing blessing is said. Dismissal is announced and the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Susan O. Scott
Secretary for the Meeting