

Men of Hosanna

The Annual Men of Hosanna Men's Breakfast was held at the local Luby's Cafeteria January 26, 2019. Chairman Bill King reported that 32 men and their friends enjoyed breakfast. Thanks, Bill, for setting up this event again. Great job!

Prior to breakfast, Pastor Anthony Chatman gave the breakfast prayer. After breakfast, Bob McConnell handled a brief business meeting. He reviewed the 2018 past activities. He informed the group that the balance in the Men of Hosanna checking account as of 12-31-18 was \$1034.09; \$108 left over from sale of Paul Snell's golf clubs and equipment (***Several years ago at one of our golf tournaments we auctioned off over twenty items given to the Men of Hosanna by Paul Snell. The total proceeds were \$633. Paul was a consistent supporter of the Seafarer's project. In 2004 we used \$275 for the Seafarer's project. Then each year thereafter, for the Seafarer's project we used \$50 each year if congregational support was lower for the Seafarers project. We did not use any of the money in 2016, 2017 or 2018 because congregation support was sufficient for the Seafarer's project. We plan to use this money for the Seafarer's project in the future***); \$150 left over from 2018 Care Packages; \$250 left over from 2018 Seafarer's; and \$481.78 for misc. expenses. We didn't get any update material from Habitat this year to share about their home building program which includes the property on Ella Blvd close by our church. We will share this info when we get it. The current list of Men of Hosanna phone callers for 2019 includes: Judy Rhodes, Barbara Sorensen, Bob Dejmal, Larry Lee, Shirley Leach, Bill King, Connie Chestnut, Joann Barron and Richard Dove. Thanks for your continued service. Next, we discussed the activities for 2019.

In February we held the annual Men's Breakfast.

On Tuesday March 26th we will hold our annual Men's Bar-B-Q catered dinner (\$12 in advance) followed by packing of Care packages for high school seniors, college and university student, those in the military service and Peace Corp. This is a later date than our usual Feb one since Pat Gibbons is still out recovering from foot surgery and she is vital to us getting all the updated addresses for mailing. Please start getting your addresses ready and get them in to Pat.

Pat Gibbons will be updating her current list of addresses for Care packages. She will be putting signup sheets in the bulletin on Sundays and advertising it in Hosanna Happenings. Watch for this document in a future Sunday's bulletin and other future publications.

Be sure to advise those who will be getting Care packages this year that they will be coming, just a little later than usual. Watch for sign-up poster soon in North Narthex. At the Men's breakfast. We passed a donation basket and received a total of \$233.60 for Care packages. That is a good start. A white envelope is attached to this newsletter which is addressed to Bob McConnell. Please use this envelope to make your contribution to the Care package project. **Either give it to Bob McConnell, or mail it to him or put it in the weekly collection plate and it will get to Bob. He will make sure that the Financial Secretary is advised of your donations for your giving record to Hosanna.** Last year we packed and mailed 58 Care packages for a total cost of \$1595.

On April 19, 2019 we will hold our annual Good Friday golf tournament at Jersey Meadows with Kinsmen Lutheran. Watch for sign-up poster in North Narthex.

Usually in April the Men of Hosanna usually cook and serve the W.E.L.C.A. at their "Spring Fling." However, this year, the women have informed the Men of Hosanna that they aren't requesting our assistance this year but will be doing something different.

Nothing planned from May through August.

In September, the Men of Hosanna will kick off a thirty- day fundraiser in support of their annual Seafarer's Christmas gift box program. The September Noisy Offering will be for this project.

In October, we will play the annual Fall Golf tournament at a course yet to be determined.

Nothing planned in November

In December we will pack, wrap and deliver 110 Christmas gift boxes for the Seafarer's Center at the Port of Houston.

Thanks for continuing to save aluminum and aluminum cans plus any other recyclable metals. Just place your bags of cans behind the trash dumpster. The Men of Hosanna will take the aluminum & recyclable metals to a recycling center. **Jim Sales and David Galica delivered \$29.50 of recycle materials on 1-24-19 bringing the 2019 total YTD to \$29.50.**

Do you enjoy fun, fellowship and working on service projects for the church and community with other men? Then why not consider joining the Men of Hosanna. You don't have to be a member of Hosanna to join. Contact either Richard Dove (281-370-8287) or Bob McConnell (281-440-5432) and they will get your name added to the roster of eighty (80) other men who have joined. Feel free to fill out the form on the bottom of this newsletter and return it to Bob McConnell or tack it to the bulletin board in the sign-up area in the Narthex. Please welcome Larry Lee as the latest to join our group. Welcome aboard Larry!

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