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ST. MARY'S WOMEN'S CLUB
Wednesday, April 8, 2026

MEETING MINUTES

Trish welcomed everyone and led the group in the opening prayer. She also recognized recent birthdays and anniversaries.

REFRESHMENTS – Provided by Bonnie Glavich, Louise Randall, and Cynthia Caulfield

TREASURER'S REPORT – Lynn Rigoli reported expenses for hosts, \$266. Our checking account balance is \$11,662; our diocese account balance is \$8,611.

PROGRAMS – Cynthia Caulfield

May 13 – Retired Ottawa County District Court Judge Susan Jonas (Sandy Mercurio's sister) will speak about establishing the "Sobriety Program."

June 10 – Lunch Potluck at Mueril Tuggle's home

CARDS SENT FROM THE CLUB – Deb Taetsch was not present but she let us know that she sent a get well card to Susan Cochrane and a sympathy card to Ann Fortenbacher on the loss of her husband.

TODAY'S PROGRAM - Club member Helen Alberts spoke about her time in Liberia, West Africa. In 1974, her husband surprised her with the question, "Would you like to move to Africa?" They had two little girls (7 and 3 ½). Her husband's job was to teach the people in Liberia to run a telephone company. They went and stayed for 18 months. It was quite a positive experience for all of them. They made friends from all over the world and had a lifestyle very different from their home in Spring Lake – a very large house, security, house boy, yard boy, and more. Helen gave us a wonderful presentation. She displayed and discussed beautiful artifacts that she collected while in Liberia. Fascinating! Thanks, Helen! Attached are a couple of photos from the meeting.

Thank you to those who donated toiletries for the food pantry!

Submitted by
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