

## Status of Active Visioning Committee Initiatives

Movie – Final arrangements have been made for the movie *Courageous*, to be shown on March 18. Erin made posters, and Linda brought them to be put up at various businesses around town. Linda also asked local church pastors to post them in their churches. All agreed to post them and some will put announcements in their bulletins. Lucy will get lemonade for drinks. Linda will get paper bags for the popcorn. Because Erin, Jan, and Sheri all offered to make refreshments, Rich will ask them to coordinate between themselves. Sara got the license to show the movie, and Patty has a CD of it. A public service announcement to be read on WELY has been drafted and will be sent to the station about a week or so before the showing, so other than putting up the shades in the sanctuary just before we show it (which Dana will handle), we are set to go. We were reminded to increase the volume on the speakers.

Gifts for Nursing Home and Assisted Living Residents – Jay got the following information for consideration: (1) There are 46 to 47 residents at Carefree Living and no more than 42 at Boundary Waters Care Center. And (2) we can get some nice gifts for about \$10 each. Jay recommended fleece blankets and there was general agreement, though a decision need not be made right now. We decided we should provide all residents with a gift, not just some, as discussed last month. Rather than asking the Ad Council for funds, we believe we ourselves can raise the approximate \$1000 needed, perhaps with free-will offerings, to purchase the gifts. The children in the after-school kids' club might be able to help out by making cards and singing carols at the facilities, though this is not a given. This project will have to be approved by the Administrative Council.

Safe Gathering Training and Certification – Dana put an article in the *Fish* about the importance of getting this training.

Welcome Slips – Jay provided a revised example of a Welcome Slip to be placed in worship-service bulletins. The original idea was to place them about once per calendar quarter in the church bulletins and ask the Pastor to bring them to the attention of the congregation. That periodic exposure, it was thought, would retain their freshness. However, having them available only four Sundays out of the year would occasion many missed opportunities for people, especially visitors, to see them; so to have them available at all times, we decided that in addition to being placed in the bulletin on a quarterly basis, they would be inserted into the Welcome Pads. Another insert will be removed from the pads to make room. The cards will be printed on lavender stock. Jay will print some up for this Sunday's bulletin, which will start the quarterly cycle.

Name Tags – Jay brought revised sample double-sided name tags attached vertically to lanyards for church members to wear during Sunday service and other events. The lanyards, along with pouches, can be purchased for about \$50 per 100. We will need about 300 for our 200<sup>+</sup> members, and to outfit new members and replace lost name tags. The name tags themselves will be printed on lavender card stock. When not in use, they will be kept on both sides of the back wall of the sanctuary. Jay will ask Marshall to make attractive hangers. We need to request \$200 from the Ad Council to cover the cost of the lanyards, pouches, and materials for the hangers.

Bring a Kid to Church Month –The Ad Council approved \$400 for books for this event.

Next Meeting –The next meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Thursday, April 12, 2018.

### Calendar of Visioning Committee Event

<b>March</b> • Movie on March 18 <sup>th</sup> - <i>Courageous</i>	<b>September</b> • Bring a Kid to Church month • Kids' movie
<b>April</b> •	<b>October</b> •
<b>May</b> • Pot Luck on the 6th	<b>November</b> • Pot Luck on 4 <sup>th</sup>
<b>June</b> •	<b>December</b> •
<b>July</b> • Ice Cream social on the 29th	<b>January</b> •
<b>August</b> • Pot Luck on the 5th	<b>February</b> • Pot Luck on the 3rd