**SERRA CLUB OF DUPAGE COUNTY**

**Mass and Officers Meeting, Saturday, June 7, 2014**

**Benedictine Abbey, Lisle, IL**

**Minutes**

**Officers attending**

George Carr, Joanne Carr, Diane Fabrizius, Ed Graham, Dick Haymaker, Jim Kornesczuk, Ken LeBeau, Thomas Maronta, Maureen Toner

**Officers unable to attend**

Fr. Peter Jarosz, Joe Langenderfer, John Matyasik, Sr. Audrey Rothweil, Ron Beaumont (immediate past president)

**Those who are ill**

Geri Carey (wife of Peter), Dora Collins (aunt of John Matyasik), Jim Cormack, Nora Kornesczuk (mother of Jim), Joe Ladone, Mary Naughton (mother of Theresa Gilbert) Betty Rosenbaum, Hugh Toner, Nancy Toner (daughter-in-law of Hugh and Maureen), Fr. Herb Essig, Fr. Ernie Norbeck, Fr. Denny, Fr. Jim Nowak, Fr. Mark Jendersyk, Fr. John Guiney, SMA, Fr. John Barrett, Alejandro Flores, Felipe DeJesus

**Those recently faithfully departed**

James Naughton, (father of Theresa Gilbert), Marie Fabrizius ( mother of Diane Fabrizius), Fr. John Guiney, Dr. and Dc. Bill Tansey

**Minutes**

The minutes from May 7, 2014 were approved as read.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Thomas Maronta presented the financial report which was accepted with a note that he would be filing a year end adjusted financial statement taking into consideration Seminarian Card expenses.

Thomas also reported that St. Petronille has reserved the third Monday of each month accept for months September , 2014 and March, 2015 for the Serra Dinner meetings. According to a new policy from St. Petronille , there will be no charge for the use of their Parish Life Center.

**Membership Report**

Diane Fabrixius had no report about newapplicants. T he June dinner meeting will be on June16, 2014 at St. Petronille. Fr. Michael Pawlowicz will be the speaker for the dinner meeting as well as perform the installation of new officers.

It was noted that Seminarian Michael Williams will be the speaker for the July dinner meeting.

**Vocations Report**

Jim Kornesczuck reported on the Diocesan Men’s Conference where he heard a presentation on FOCUS. George Carr explained that FOCUS is a evangelical Catholic presence on college campuses. An informative discussion followed. A suggestion was madethat parishes should encourage FOCUS to be present at COD and at Ill. Benedictine. George stated that staffing of FOCUS missionaries is often the problem since there are not enough trained lay missionaries to meet the needs of the campuses.

Jim is to investigate how Serra Club can help establish FOCUS at COD.

**Communications**

Maureen Toner asked for clarification for the location and speaker for the June dinner meeting. (See information contained in Membership report.)

**Old Business**

There was no report regarding Fresh Start verses USCA**.**

Board members were reminded to follow through on the initiative to support priests and religious.

The slate of officers and trustees was announced. They are:

President: John Matysik

Past President: Ed Graham

Treasurer: Thomas Maronta

Secretary: Sr. Audrey Marie Rothweil, FCJM

Vice President of Communications: Maureen Toner

Vice President of Membership: Diane Fabrizius

Vice President of Programs: Vijay Devadas

Vice President of Vocations: Jim Korneszuck

Trustees: Ron Beaumont, George Carr, Dick Haymaker, Joe Langenderfer, Ken LeBeau

The 2014 Serra Send-Off Dinner will be August 4th, beginning at 1:30 and ending at 4:30. There is a conflict with the time framework for Bishop Conlon for the 2015 Serra Send-off dinner. Perhaps a later start time would allow Bishop Conlon to attend.

The seminarian baseball card program is spreading to other diocese. In the Joliet diocese the requests for cards is decreasing. A new target for marketing is perhaps a solution.

**New Business**

SCDC Policy in the case of the death of members and/or immediate families was deferred to next month.

**Future meetings**

Serra Dinner meeting: Monday, June 16, 2014

July Officer meeting: Saturday, July 12, 2014

Future Officer meeting s: September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6

**Closing**

Ed Graham led the closing Serra prayer for vocations. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Submitted by Joanne Carr, acting Secretary for Sr. Audrey Marie Rothweil, FCJM

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