MINUTES FOR ST. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING Date: 6/20/22

Call to Order/Opening Prayer: Father Greg () Pauline (X) Other () Time: 5:00 pm

Spiritual Reading: Fr. Greg () Margaret (X) Other ()

Minutes of Previous Meeting: (X) Read/Approved; Approved with Changes

Motion by: Ann L Seconded by: Pat

Attendance: Total Active Members (34) LOA () Present (18) Absent (16) Excused () Quorum (17)

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS		Associate Member	
Al	X	Janet	X	Pat	X	Maria	
Ann Faust.	Α	Jerry	X	Pauline	X	Barbara S	
Ann L	X	JoAnn	Α	Sandra	Α	Ann Fellrath	
Dennis	Α	Jose	Α	Scotty	X	Michaela	
Diane	Α	Kathy	Χ	Toni	X		
Dotti	X	Larry	Α	Yolanda	Α	Visitors	
Estela	Α	Margaret	X			Ann Lee	X
Francisca	Α	Marianne	Α			Chuck B	X
George	X	Marge	X				
Gini	Α	Martha G.	Χ				
Glenn	Α	Mary Ellen	X			Training	
Gloria	Α	Mary	Χ	Father Greg *	Α	Tillie Munoz	
Hilary	Α	Michael C	X	Stan *	Α		
Ilona	Α	Norm	Χ				

Absent plus 30 days: *Stan and Father Greg - Not included in Quorum

Old Business:

*The fellowship dinner Monday, 13 June was great. Our two priests, Fr. Romanito and Fr. Richard, Ann Lee and Wilcox crew. The Jubilation Crosses were beautiful!

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. *Upcoming events*: LOVE INC would like to present themselves to our group and let us know more about what they do in the SV area. Dr. Ken Anderson will speak at next week's meeting.
- 2. *Vouchers:* With the store temporarily closed we have no vouchers available. Shelly said in an emergency only situation, for small house hold items may be available. No clothing. Unless needed immediately, if we can get word to her by 2:30 to be delivered by 3:45. Friend can pick up or Vincentian opts to deliver.
 - **Don-8-It** has offered to honor our voucher needs for clothing and furniture. When

writing the voucher please put the names Mia or Linda, as these are the two people we should refer to if the Vincentian decides to use Don-8-It for a voucher.

- Other suggestions may be having our Friends call on SV Gives, or possibly S.A.H.A.R.A., in Huachuca City, as they may be able to help our Friends in need.
- 3. *Update on the store:* We hope to be up and running by mid-July!

The inside ceiling is what fell in, not the actual roof. Everyone is working diligently with the contractors and the insurance company and there will be updates soon. We had an amazing turnaround time with the contractors, the adjuster, testing for asbestos, which was negative, all within a couple of days. Pauline and Shelly even had an interview with CoolFmOnline.

- On Saturday, from 9:00-12:00, there will be a Cash & Carry Parking Lot Sale at the Thrift Store for furniture and household items only.
- Ed Graveline, Grand Knight from Knights of Columbus, has 4 large tents set aside for this in case of rain. It has also been suggested that we also purchase a very large tent for this particular purpose.
- The Ladies of St. Andrew's have graciously offered their storage shed.
- 4. The log sheet of stats: At the end of each day please add all of the columns. Pauline is interested in what our numbers are as we endure this crazy cost of living crisis. This will help us to see if we are actually increasing in the amount of Friends seen, Food Boxes, and Toiletries. It is also a plus to have this when we need justifications as we submit for grants. Just today we filled 61 food boxes! That is apx 15.25 boxes per hour! How are we adding up the hours for Special Cases? Most Vincentians put in extra hours once the S/C is approved.
- 5. *The Cove Shower Program:* For a \$1.00 donation (not requirement) they have shower times during the lap swim. They also have toiletry bags if requested. There are also evening hours.
- 6. *Gas Cards:* Please interview our Friend inside the office for the need. They are pricey, and they will only provide 3 gallons of gas. If they are Tucson bound, consider saying no as it will not help. These need to be for those truly in need. Example: people living in their car. Suggest they use a bus pass, and for Tucson, setting up rides through ViCap, DAV, etc.
- 7. *Thoughts on greeting our friends in front:* The weather is so hot that we need to keep the front area closed because the air conditioner is running nonstop already.

Confidentiality is a MUST, and we are also missing out on the personal touch of a face-to-face, one-on-one, sit down with our Friends. A meeting of some working Vincentians, Ann L, Toni, and Pat, possibly Al, will meet with Marge at 10:30 Tuesday morning to discuss a possible solution.

8. Special cases: Amount available today was \$3765.81

1. Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:

Dottie told of a man with 7 children, his wife is in jail, he has income from painting and is waiting on his house to be available. He is staying, with 4 of the 7 children, at Forgach House.

Kathy told of meeting a lady that was so thankful for the food she got from our Food Bank.

Toni told of a homeless woman that came in and said she was 46 when she thought she was in menopause and had a kidney stone. Her "kidney stone" is an adorable 22 month old boy named Nicholas. She is reaching out to Real Wishes trying to go back to her hometown.

2. Home visits: We need to be doing more of these especially for Special Cases.

3. Conference Members Sick or in Distress / Prayers for others:

Hilary, and Frank are recovering from Covid. Frank's wife has a high fever and has been given a drug called Pax Lovid.

Toni met, and prayed, with a Friend with crippling anxiety who asked for everyone to pray for her. Another homeless Friend asked for prayers as she is recovering from recently attempting to end her life.

- 4. Prayer requests: An email will be sent separately with additional prayers.
- 5. Vincentian Schedule: Will be emailed separately
- 6. For the good of the order: Karen Harper has The Pilgrim Mary. The beautiful statue is 60 years old, and if anyone wants her to take Mary into their home for any amount of time she brings peace. Karen will her deliver her. Let Pauline know and she will connect you with Karen.
 - **DOTTIE is the sole birthday for June** She said she has reached the mark where she will now age backwards! As of yet she says she hasn't felt the age regression...**YET**!
 - Food Bank Meeting: PENDING
 - Finance Meeting: AUGUST 2022
 - Thrift Store Meeting: PENDING
 - Board Meeting: Wednesday 29 June @ 10am

Closing Prayer: Fr. Greg () Pauline () Other Ann Lund (X)

Adjourned: 6:10 pm

Recorder: Toni (Secretary) (X) Other - ()