

**MINUTES FOR St. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING**

**Date: 1/30/2023**

**Call to Order/Opening Prayer:** Pauline

**Time: 5:01**

**Guest Speaker: Robert Oates of ViCAP**

Spiritual Reading: Margaret

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

Motion by: Ann L 2<sup>nd</sup>: Larry

**Attendance: Total Active Members (34); LOA (6) Present (19) Absent (9) Excused () Quorum (17)**

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

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

**Upcoming Events:**

**February 13, 2023:** Vinny’s Pizza @5:00 p.m.

**February 18-March 5, 2023:** Tickets available for The Shroud’s exhibit

**February 19, 2023:** Ilona’s birthday

**February 23, 2023:** Birthdays for both Dennis and Jose

**March 11&12<sup>th</sup>, 2023:** The Shroud Exhibit Saturday 9:30a.m. & 1:30pm., Sunday 1:00.

**Old Business:**

1. Shelly has moved to a rehab at Encompass for Physical Therapy with hopes she can come to SV and continue with treatment.
2. Glenn is doing well yet experiencing the side effects he was promised.
3. Deacon George was feeling weak since they have been so busy.
4. Pray for Joanne and Estella

**NEW Business:**

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Job Announcement for the store for an Assistant Manager will be posted with AZ @ Work by 3

February and will run through the end of the month.

2. Leah came to the meeting and told of some changes. Leah has implemented the “Square” for credit card purchases, eliminating the need for a separate machine, and the fees, of up to \$1,100/month. The Square charges a flat 2.95%. The Thrift Store staff is adapting quickly.
3. SVPD’s Cpl Borgstadt will come on Friday @9:00 to speak with the staff regarding how to handle a robbery at the Thrift Store. Nothing is worth their safety.
4. Temporary committee regarding the AZ @ Work will meet with Jerry to see how to best proceed to help our Friends toward a positive employment outcome. They will be coming as Guest Speaker 2/6/23
5. Code Red: How can we help a fellow Vincentian when a Friend’s visit comes to an end and the lobby has more Friends in need of help? Maybe a code/password between Vincentians?
6. FEBRUARY Birthdays: Ilona the 19<sup>th</sup>, Dennis and Jose same day the 23<sup>rd</sup>
7. The Better Bucks Workforce program for homeless and city has begun.
  - The homeless, and others, can register to work for the program, paid daily. More information to come.
  - Better Bucks may be used at the CO-OP and soon may be able to use them at the Thrift Store.
8. Our Guest Speaker, Robert Oates, explained how ViCap (Volunteer Interfaith Caregiver Program) drives people 60 and older and disabled of any age in, Cochise Cty. There is no charge for local, and request a donation for Tucson. They are available for medical appointments and grocery shopping in person/or for a grocery pick-up and delivery. ViCap is looking for volunteers. **520-459-8146**
9. February 13th we will be meeting at Vinny’s Pizza at 5:00 p.m. for Fellowship Meeting.
10. Mary had 2 caseworkers that came in requesting monthly bus passes, adamant they have done it before. These are done on a case by case basis and the guidelines for Students, Employment and Disabled.
11. Tom built a permanent barrier for the parking area, where the cones were previously placed to keep the people for parking.
12. Ann L suggested some of our Friends may need CO2 monitors as many are moving into old trailers/RVs. She shared that Cochise Harm Reduction: They are working with addicts.
13. Larry shared information as to where the money goes that comes from AZ Knights of Columbus state raffle tickets.
14. Tickets for The Shroud are available.

**Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:**

- Pauline had a Friend come in that was crying, upset, and mostly needed a shoulder and someone to talk to.
- Mary had a young man come in and it turned out he was just “chillin’ ” and signed in, needed no food box, etc. Some Friends are just in need of a visit.
- Toni and Mary both had Friends come in that wanted hotel rooms. Both were on DNRs. One was trying to find names of someone that could check her in. They did not get rooms.

**Home Visits:** Jose and Pat delivered several Food Boxes

**Special cases:** Amount available: \$1700 cases pending

**Conference Members Sick or in Distress / Prayers for others:** emailed separately

- Glenn, Diane, Shelly, Deacon George, Martha and JoAnn.
- Pauline's friend has a genetic disorder, surgery not possible for Pectus Excavatum. Needs prayer.

**COMMITTEE MONTHLY REPORTS: Due February 6<sup>th</sup>, next meeting**

FINANCE REPORT:

FOODBANK REPORT:

STORE REPORT:

POORBOX REPORT:

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Ann Lund attended the SVdP President's meeting in Wilcox, on January 28th.  
The 190<sup>th</sup> birthday of St. Vincent de Paul is coming up April 23.

**Vincentian Schedule:** Will be emailed separately.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

- Food Bank Meeting February \_\_\_\_ 2023
- Finance Meeting: February\_\_\_\_, 2023
- Thrift Store: February\_\_\_\_ 2023
- BOARD MTG: January 24, 2023 @10am Madonna Hall

**Closing Prayer:** Ann Lund

**Adjourned: 6:17 p.m.**

**Recorder:** Toni (Secretary)