

# MINUTES FOR ST. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 10/23/23

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

**Time: 5:01 p.m.**

**Guest Speaker:** Anthony Reed from United Way

**Minutes of 10/02/23 Meeting: (X) Read/Approved; Approved with Changes**

Motion by: Ann L Seconded by: Gini

**Minutes of 10/16/23 Meeting: (X) Read/Approved; Approved with Changes**

Motion by: Ann L Seconded by: Pat

**Attendance: Total Active Members (36) LOA (3) Present (25) Absent (8) Quorum (17)**

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

\*Stan and Father Greg - Not included in Quorum

**Upcoming Events:**

October 31, 2023: Father of Lights

November 6, 2023: Catholic Community Services meeting

November 10, 2023: Veteran's Day (Conference/Food Bank closed)

November 13, 2023: SVdP Social evening

November 18, 2023: United Way GAP Fundraiser (see scanned flier)

November 20, 2023: Thanksgiving Box distribution (Conference/Food Bank is closed)

**NEW Business:**

1. Anthony explained how the United Way funds, beginning November 1, 2023, for will be required to be written up and distributed. Rent: \$6,000, Utilities: \$3,880
  - United Way Funds are to be used before SVdP funds.
  - The existing Friend must have a Sierra Vista address within the zip codes 85635 or 85650.
  - The HUD form will have the information filled in, Friend's name on the back.

- No name on the front.
- This is a ONE time help **per** household/address. If Rent and Utility are used, it must be the SAME day. (This means that 4 checks are written)
- Existing SVdP policies will be followed. \$300 Rent, \$150 Utility
- United Way will match 50/50 with SVdP of each. A separate check for each must be written (\$150 UW, \$150 SVdP=\$300. \$75UW+\$75SVdP)
- Encourage them to find funds for small amounts, use UW for larger help.
- Document UW help in BOLD and RED, in Friend's information AND in the above "other"
- United Way will be hosting the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual United Way of Sierra Vista & Cochise County's Grombacher Assistance Program "GAP" Fundraiser, Black Tie Even and Silent Auction, Saturday, November 18, 2023, 5:00 p.m. Thunder Mountain Activity Center (TMAC)  
\$65 per person or \$480 per table of 8. RSVP/payment by 11/10/2023 520-458-3288

2. We have multiple Friends that are asking for rent under one address with a landlord John Arnoldbik. It appears they are not on a lease or contract. A home visit needs to verify the status of our Friend's rental situation.
3. Home visits: Do you think a home visit needs to be done? Set up, that day, for a home visit with another Vincentian, within a couple of days.
4. Car repairs are a SPECIAL CASE based on the issue and will be presented to the group if time allows. The money may NOT come out of transportation.
5. Ladies of St. Andrew would appreciate help with the Bazaar.
6. Turkey Box total for today 124
7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS: Due: November 6, 2023**

- A:** Food Bank Report:
- B:** Thrift Store Report
- C:** Finance Report:
- D:** The Poor Box Report:

1. **Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:**
  - Ann Lund had a Friend, Ignacio, a concern is for his medical bills. Finding financial counseling, or legal help, seems difficult. Maybe set up a payment with providers.
  - Pauline had a Friend in need of rent, landlord John Arnoldbik. Things seemed "off" and she feels a home visit is needed. Toni has known 3 people in the past, been inside, and it is questionable if the situation is what is being represented.
  - Elderly with large bills
  - Mary had a Friend, pregnant, in need of \$1400 rent. She threatened self-harm. She rents in the mobile home park that won't take our checks. (Do we have an obligation, and what do we do, when a Friend mentions self-harm?) Pauline is following up.
2. **Home visits:** No home visits

3. **Special cases:** Amount available           \$800
4. **For the Good of the Order:** Spiritual Reading: Margaret (Happy birthday Margaret!)
5. **Conference Members Sick or in Distress:**  
Norm and Ruby, Deacon George and Martha, Mike and Kathy, Estela, Maria, Dottie.
6. **Prayers for others:** Will be emailed separately
7. **Vincentian Schedule:** Will be emailed separately.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

- Food Bank Meeting: TBA
- Finance Meeting: October 19, 2023 @10:00 a.m.
- Thrift Store Meeting: November 13, 2023 @1:00
- Board Meeting: October 25, 2023 @10:00 a.m Madonna Hall

**Closing Prayer:** Ann Lund

**Adjourned:** 6:14 p.m.

**Recorder:** Toni Mott - Secretary