St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Ann, Bethany Beach Conference 

Meeting Minutes

Date Tuesday, October 8, 2024

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| Next meeting: |  | Tuesday, October 22 at 3:30PM in Delaney Hall Tuesday, November 12 at 9:30AM in Delaney Hall |
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1. **Call to Order; Opening Prayer**

Mary Ann Conlon opened the meeting at 3:35PM with a prayer.

1. **Welcome**
	1. One new member was welcomed.
2. **Spirituality**
	1. Dan led a reflection/discussion session on the Culture of Love that we are called to as Vincentians, using Mk 10:2-12 as a starting point. Members were asked to reflect on how our ideal culture of charity and hope often clashes with the modern culture we operate within. How do we respons?
3. **Minutes**
	1. Minutes from 9/24 meeting were approved by voice vote.
4. **Ministerium Update**
	1. Over $3,000 was raised during the CROP Hunger Walk at OLG. Exact figures will be reported on at a later date.
5. **Parish Council Update**
	1. OCIA candidates entering the church currently number 6 (Correction: Barbara Perricone has 6 adults in her group; there are 3 other hgroups that bring the total to 24.)
	2. A liturgy workshop on the history of the Mass is scheduled for October 26; all are welcome.
	3. Hospitality is finishing up a project that will enable shoppers to buy St. Ann logo merchandise on line from Red Sun Custom Apparel in Selbyville.
	4. Thanks to all who worked to make our Bible Vamp a success.
	5. Bids for the Eucharistic Chapel have been accepted.
	6. We discovered that the A/C in the Masterson Center will need to be replaced.
	7. FYI, in order to control the geese at OLG, filaments have been strung across the pond, and a non-toxic repellent has been spread on the grass.
6. **Financial Report**

**Beginning Balance 09/01/24 41359.**

 **Revenues 20577.**

 **Expenses 37561.**

**Ending Balance 09/30/24 24375.**

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| **MMA Account**  | **Balance as of 9/30/24**  |  | **6219.**  |
| **CD Account #1**  | **Balance as of 10/01/24**  |  | **26076.**  |
| **CD Account #2**  | **Balance as of 10/01/24**  |  | **18338.**  |
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Our treasury (Checking) is at its lowest point in several years. We may need to reduce the amounts we are paying out/approving. We did however have some expenses that were directed to longer term needs; e.g., Food Lion gift cards that will be needed for the Giving Tree.

1. **SVDP Team updates**
	1. **Garden**
		1. Garden tours were a big winner at the CROP Walk.
		2. The Garden Team’s annual Thanksgiving dinner on 11/10 is being opened to the entire membership. If you wish to attend, see Virginia Giuffre, Mike Galu, or Joanne Cunningham by 10/25; and sign up for a pot luck style side dish.
	2. **Pantry Teams**
		1. For those who missed it, there will ServWare training in Delaney on Friday at 11:30.
		2. The Beebe van will be at the Food Pantry this week.
		3. to the south entrance prior to the start of mass, but if we need more, we must wait until mass concludes. We will begin distribution earlier, at 7:30, to lessen the impact of our activities.
	3. **Neighbor Contact**
		1. Despite ServWare team members are asked to continue their email reports of daily activity after staffing the phone.
	4. **Visiting Vincentians**
		1. Brandywine visits are doing fine, but we are looking for additional residents who may want a visit.
		2. NCT is asked to be aware of any circumstances where a home visit uncover a need for regular VV visits.
	5. **Extended Care**
		1. Darlene offered to help anyone who is trying to take advantage of the LIHEAP program run by Catholic Charities. She’s recently gained some hard-won experience.
	6. **Fund Raising**
		1. An all-day Dine and Donate will be held at the OV Brewery on 11/4.
		2. Souper Bowl party is scheduled for February 8
2. **President’s Remarks**
	1. Building
		1. Waiting for the final cost quote from Miken.
	2. 11/9 Vinnies in the Vineyard
		* 1. Irma Calabrese giving an overview of SVdP Disaster Recovery organization. We will do a contribution from our conference.
			2. Catholic Charities
	3. Grant from national
		1. So far, 40 people have expressed an interest in the ESL course that will bne offered through Sussex Tech
3. **Closing Prayer; Adjournment**

Mary Ann closed the meeting with a prayer.

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| **October 2024**  |  |
| 10/21  | Team 3  |
| 10/22  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM  |
| 10/24  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 10/26 and 27  | Begin Giving Tree Distribution of Gift Cards at all Masses Carol Curran speaks at all Masses on SVdP Recruitment  |
| 10/28  | Team 4  |
| **November 2024**  |  |
| 11/2 and 3  | Giving Tree Distribution of Gift Cards at all Masses  |
| 11/4  | Team 1  |
| 11/7  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 11/9  | Vinnie’s in the Vineyard, Saturday 9AM to 11AN St. Edmund’s  |
| 11/9-10  | Giving Tree Distribution of Gift Cards at all Masses  |
| 11/11  | Team 2  |
| 11/12  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM  |
| 11/14  | Thursday Food Pantry 3:30  |
| 11/16 and 17  | Giving Tree Distribution of Gift Cards at all Masses  |
| 11/18  | Team 3  |
| 11/19  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM  |
| 11/21  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 11/25  | Team 4  |
| 11/28  | Thanksgiving and No Food Pantry  |
| 11/30 and 12/1  | Giving Tree Distribution of Gift Cards at all Masses  |
| **December 2025**  |  |
| 12/1  | Assemble all Giving Tree envelopes  |
| 12/2  | Team 1  |
| 12/5  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM and begin Giving Tree Envelope distribution  |
| 12/9  | Team 2  |
| 12/10  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM followed by Christmas Luncheon in DH  |
| 12/12  | Thursday Food Pantry 3:30  |
| 12/16  | Team 3  |
| 12/19  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM and begin Giving Tree Envelope distribution  |
| 12/21 and 22  | Begin Souper Bowl Grid Contributions  |
| 12/23  | Team 4  |
| 12/26  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 12/28 and 29  | Souper Bowl Grid Contributions  |
| 12/30  | Team 1  |
| **January 2025**  |  |
| Jan 2  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| Jan. 4 and 5  | Souper Bowl Grid Contributions  |
| Jan. 9  | Thursday Food Pantry 3:30  |
| Jan. 11 and 12  | Souper Bowl Grid Contributions  |
| Jan. 14  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM  |
| Jan. 16  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| Jan 18 and 19  | Souper Bowl Grid Contributions  |
| Jan. 23  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| Jan 25 and 26  | Souper Bowl Grid Contributions -  |
| Jan. 28  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM  |
| Jan. 30  |  Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| **February 2025**  |  |
| 2/1 and 2  | Souper Bowl Grid Contributions  |
| 2/6  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 2/8  | Souper Bowl Party in DH  |
| 2/11  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM  |
| 2/13  | Thursday Food Pantry 3:30  |
| 2/20  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 2/25  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM  |
| 2/27  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| **March 2025**  |  |
| 3/6  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 3/11  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM |
| 3/13  | Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM |
| 3/20  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 3/25  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM |
| 3/27  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| **April 2025**  |  |
| 4/3  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 4/8  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM |
| 4/10  | Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM |
| 4/17  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 4/21  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 4/26 and 27  | Annual Regional Meeting at Marriottsville  |
| **May 2025** |  |
| 5/1  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 5/8  | Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM |
| 5/13  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM |
| 5/15  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 5/22  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 5/29  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| **June 2025** |  |
| 6/5  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 6/8  | Sunday Breaking Bread Fiesta at OLG  |
| 6/10  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 PM |
| 6/12  | Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM |
| 6/19  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 6/21 and 22  | Begin School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection  |
| 6/24  | Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM – 5:00 PMEnd of Year Picnic |
| 6/28 and 29  | School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection  |
| **July 2025** |  |
| 7/3  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 7/5 and 6  | School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection  |
| 7/10  | Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 - 5:00 PM |
| 7/12 and 13  | School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection  |
| 7/17  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 7/19 and 20  | School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection  |
| 7/24  | Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 - 10:00 AM  |
| 7/26 and 27  | School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection  |