

**SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS
CHRISTIAN SERVICE COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 21, 2009**

In Attendance:

Barb Murphy, Tom Schiller, Ann Cole, Arlene Welling, Barb Hackett, Don Deves,
Carole Borts, Carolyn Barnett, Charlie Lombardo, Matt Coco

Old and New Business:

Deacon Charlie updated us about the new members of the Parish Pastoral Council and they all will serve for a three year term at which time there will be new elections. There will be a celebration Mass for Fr. Peter's ordination on February 8th. Fr. John Fontana is the new Servite provincial. Fr. Albert will be at SHF one more year.

Organization Report:

1. **Alumni Moms** – Barb Murphy: The mission of the Alumni Moms is to support the school. To encourage families to continue to send their children to SHF the funds raised go to the school for books. Help at the fish fry by cutting cakes. Summer fund raiser to be a concert by Cornet chop suey on July 21 or 22. The fashion show held in November 2008 was down about one third in attendance.
2. **Athletic Association** - Tom Schiller: The Becker tournament will start February 3rd and finish on February 15th. In 2008 the Association raised approximately \$12,000 less than raised in 2007. Looking into a back to school fund raiser in September.
3. **BVM Sodality** –Carole Borts: The monthly luncheon and card party raises funds for various charitable organizations in the parish. Serving help is needed at the monthly card party. Made comment about the missals, hymnals and bulletins left throughout the church after the Masses.
4. **Blood Drive** - Arlene Welling: The next scheduled blood drives are in July and the Monday before or after Thanksgiving.
5. **Boy Scouts** - Matt Coco: In it's 63rd year at SHF. Currently have 19 boys with no representation from the 8th grade. Frank McCormack is the Scoutmaster. Thank you to all who dispose of their paper in the recycling bins on the church parking lot. Money earned through the paper drive help the boys attend summer camp. Spring activities include a weekend trip to the Civil War memorial at Shiloh, open house at Camp Richwoods and the SHF parade and picnic.
6. **Cub Scouts** – No representative: Dennis Gezella stepped down as Cubmaster in December. The Cub Pack does not have a replacement at this time. Pinewood Derby is the last Sunday in January and the Blue and gold Dinner is March 1st.
7. **Disabilities Advocate** - John Rosenkranz: No representation, no report.
8. **Feed the Poor** - Arlene Welling: Feeding 250 people on average. Team 1 feeds on the last Thursday of the month and Team 2 feeds on the 5th Sunday of the month. Celebrating 25 years of serving at St. Vicent DePaul parish.
9. **Fish Fries** - Kathy Rearden: No representation, no report.
10. **Girl Scouts** - Jean Rakowiecki: No representation, no report
11. **Home & School** –Marilyn Donaldson: No representation, no report
12. **Hospitality Sunday** –Donna Olson: No representation, no report
13. **MCU** –**Barb Hackett**: SHF and St. Dominic's will drop out of the MCU since they do all the footwork for the organization. They will work together as the Affton Christian Betterment Association.
14. **Mixers** - Lisa Ruzicka: No representation, no report

15. **Parish Helpers** –Carolyn Barnett: Will meet with Fr. Don to discuss the funeral luncheon. 50 to 60 people served in the Parish Center is the maximum they would like to serve with no liquor. Eleven new people signed up from the time and talent survey recently conducted by the parish. They would like to list their services on the website.
16. **Perguine Society** - Shirley Eckert: No representation, no report
17. **Quilters** - Lee Myers: No representation, no report
18. **Pro-Life** - Ann Cole: This weekend post cards will be distributed at all the Masses campaigning against FOCUS. Forty days for life will be the Lenten theme.
19. **St. V. DePaul** –Don Deves: Their mission is to serve those in need within the parish boundaries. The Food Pantry is low, needs food. Served 80 families at Thanksgiving and 200 at Christmas.
20. **SHF 55 Plus** - No representation, no report
21. **Social Justice Advocacy** –Barb Hackett: The Archdioceses is developing a policy on immigration. Will provide rice bowls for Lent.
22. **Soup and Stew** - Tim & Maureen Deves: No representation, no report
23. **TWB Sales** - Kathy Rearden: No representation, no report
24. **Welcoming Committee** – No representation, no report. The Steffens have been doing this for three years, sending letters and making phone calls to approximately 250 new parishioners. Finally had one respond to meet for hospitality Sunday. Steffen has resigned his position.
25. **Youth Group** - Maryann Creamer: No representation, no report

Next meetings: Wednesday, June 3, 2009 at 7pm

Respectively submitted by,

Matt Coco