

Minutes

Society of St Vincent de Paul, St Thomas Aquinas Conference

Meeting of September 7, 2023

Members present: Tom Quinn, Tom Kelly, Chris Countryman, Shannon Saul, Lou Saul, Sally Debono, Elise Gelin, Matt Hayes

1). Opening Prayer/Spiritual Reflection

The meeting began with the Opening Prayer for society meetings

2). Presidents Announcements

The Feast Of St Vincent de Paul will be celebrated at a 5:15 p.m. mass at Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral on September 27. All Vincentians are encouraged to attend

Our conference will participate in the Catholic Charities -Christmas Store again this year. In 2022 Christmas assistance was provided for 3460 individuals and 943 families. Shannon will attend an upcoming meeting on behalf of the STA conference to facilitate the referral process

The SVdP Indianapolis council annual meeting will be held on Sunday September 24 at the 30th Street Food Pantry. Doors will open at 8 followed by mass at 9:00. Lunch will be provided following the meeting and presentations. Registration is available on the SVdP Indy web site or by e-mailing Darlene Sweeney at dsweeney@svdpindy.org

3). Treasurer's Report

The beginning balance in the SVdP account on July 1 was \$5,065.95

\$1,521.00 was received from STA parishioner contributions in July

1,670.57 was received from STA parishioner contributions in August

\$1,000.00 was distributed for utility payments in July and August

\$150.00 was used for the purchase of a gift card for the SVdP Annual fund-raising auction

The ending balance in the SVdP account as of September 1 was \$3,999.70*

*Includes a \$103.92 disputed transaction that the bank is researching

4). Client Support Update and Discussion

Two clients were assisted with utility payments in June. 2 requests for rental assistance were received from client's ineligible for assistance at this time. There continue to be few new requests for rent, utility or warehouse assistance.

5). Other Reports

Matt provided an update for the Boulevard Place Pantry. Please see the pantry update attachment to this e-mail

6). Closing prayer, intentions and collection

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Next Meeting: Thursday, October 5 in the Bethany Room.