

402 S. Independence Blvd.
Romeoville, IL 60446

JAVA Meeting Minutes

Date: August 24, 2005
Location: Fiat House
Time: Noon

Present: Ron Beaumont, Sr. Bernie Hart, RSM, Sr. Kathleen Ann Copp, OSF, Sr. Marjorie Westendorf, OSF, Kevin O'Donnell, Br. Guy Jelinek, OSB, Fr. John Regan, POD, Sr. Carolyn Jost, SSND, Sr. Barb Kwiatkowski, OSF, Sr. Marybeth Martin, PHJC, Nora Labanauskas

- I. **Prayer:** Sr. Marjorie led us in prayer and song (“*A Litany of Being God’s Instrument of Goodness.*”)
- II. **Minutes:** A copy of the May minutes were passed out to be read since some did not download them from their email that morning.
- III. **JAVA Goals and Objectives 2005-06:** It was explained to the new members of JAVA what SOML (Story of My Life) is and how it works. It was discussed as to whether or not it should continue because of the tremendous amount of work involved in putting it on and then with follow up. No final decision was made
- IV. **Setting of Priorities for 2005-2006:**
 - A. **Grade Schools** – possibility of vocation fairs or visiting 7th & 8th grade students in schools that are interested.
 - B. **High Schools** - There was a suggestion for a Vocation Fair at some of our high schools based on the one Marian Catholic had. Sr. Barbara will check to see if JCA is a possibility.
 - C. **Youth Groups** – Jeremiah Day & Marian Day have been set (see commitment calendar).
 - D. **University Campuses** – Busy Persons Retreats have been scheduled (see commitment calendar). Nora will check with Lewis and St. Francis to verify dates. Suggestion was made to visit campuses for “coffee & donuts” during finals week at College of DuPage and Joliet Junior College, but visit Elmhurst and North Central during mid terms, not finals week at those schools. Kevin O'Donnell passed out a copy of his programs at Elmhurst. He welcomed any of the JAVA members to jump in and come to one of the programs. He would like someone to come to the Roman Catholicism class and talk on vocations. Some of the group offered to come and do a program on Spiritualities of the Catholic Church. **Parish Vocation Contacts** – Training session is Saturday, October 8th at the Fiat House from 9:30 a.m. till 12:30 p.m. It will orient new contacts with the program and will ask all contacts to promote vocations within the family this year. They will be asked to use programs such as the Vocation Cross that some parishes use or Generations of Faith. The role of grandparents promoting vocations will be discussed. John asked for JAVA members to attend and possibly someone from the common novitiate of the Franciscan sisters can come

or it was suggested that Fr. Pham the pre-novitiate coordinator for St. John Friary could come to the training.

- E. Serra Club of DuPage County** – Ron Beaumont reported that the Seminarian Send-Off Picnic at Benedictine was a great success this year.
- F. Bulletin Profiles for those in Formation** – Ron will be contacting the vocation directors to get updates on those in formation this year.
- G. Poster of Men & Women in Religious Formation** – will be done as soon as possible once Nora has all the information from Ron on who is formation and she received their photos.
- H. Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations** – Nora will ask Sr. Sharon Marie Stola, DOJ Director of Office of Divine Worship if it is possible that JAVA members be present at the parishes scheduled for adoration to have an information table on vocations.

V. Announcements: [September 12th is Marybeth's birthday](#) – **50!!!!!!**

VI. Adjournment

VII. Next Meeting: **Monday, September 12, 2005**
Location St. Charles Pastoral Center
Chair: Sr. Carolyn
Prayer: not in my notes..can't remember who...help me out here!
Secretary: Nora Labanauskas
Formation: Vocations in the Family