

## SENIOR FELLOWSHIP MEETING- St Mary of the Hills

January 14, 2014

The **January 14, 2014** Senior Fellowship meeting was opened at 10:10 a.m. by President Robert Sheldrick with a prayer followed by the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Bob apologized for not having requested that the East Over Flow room be placed on the events calendar. He felt the Senior Fellowship Group was by now an institution in the parish and their room was automatically available. He now has the EOF room reserved.

**Twenty members were present.**

**The minutes** of the November meeting were read and approved.

**Treasurer's Report**—In the absence of the treasurer, Ginny Giardin presented the treasurer's report. There is \$602.67 in the treasury. A question was raised about the cost of the chicken for the Christmas Potluck. It was suggested that we wait for the treasurer to provide that information.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Sunshine Lady**, Virginia McMahan, announced three December birthdays: Mike Angelo, Barbara Sefcovic and Marylal Karbowski. And one January birthday: Paula Dukat. Two anniversaries: Bob and Nadine Sheldrick and Elsie Mulvey. Virginia inquired about Elsie Mulvey's husband's name. Mary Davis will follow-up.

**There was no Travel Report**

### PARISH COUNCIL REPORT—

Virginia McMahan reported that the council continues to discuss ways of evangelizing.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### ***Hosting Coffee and Donuts:***

- Senior Fellowship group is scheduled to host coffee and donuts on March 23, 2014 after the 9:00 AM Mass, and the
- The Senior Exercise group is scheduled after the 11:00 AM. Mass.

#### **Christmas Party**

- The president thanked Hilda Maddens and Ginny Griardin for a job well done at the Christmas party. Hilda also wanted to thank Kitty Kozlowski for the large beautifully decorated delicious cake she provided but did not have an opportunity to sample.

### NEW BUSINESS

- Bob Sheldrick requested a volunteer to write Parish Bulletin articles for January 26 through March 23, 2014. There were no volunteers so he will write them himself.
- *St. Vincent de Paul* sent a letter thanking Senior Fellowship members for their generous gift of \$100.00. Noting that our support of the work *St. Vincent de Paul* does is appreciated.

- John Hundiak reported on the “**Wreaths Across America Project**”. On the second weekend of December more than 5,000 wreaths were placed on graves of Veterans from America and 26 foreign countries. Veterans, Knights, Boy Scouts and other volunteers placed 181 wreaths on graves and 87 in the mausoleum at Guardian Angels Cemetery. They also placed a large number of wreaths on graves at Mount Avon Cemetery. At Mount Avon they found a number of graves from the Civil War and four (4) from the Revolutionary War.
- Virginia McMahon informed members that John appeared on TV about the “*Wreaths Across America Project*”.

## OTHER

- Michaeleen Dolinski notified the members of *Betty Chaney’s death*. She was a very active member at St. Mary’s prior to moving to Arizona for health reasons and being close to her daughter. Members will receive details for funeral arrangements as they become available.
- Jim and Ann Jannetta visited Marilyn Fredericks at **Heartland Care Center**. She was admitted to Heartland after she fell but is back at **Sunrise**. Although her memory is bad, Marilyn always remembers the Jannettas.
- Hilda Maddens, reminded seniors to be aware of scams. Her sister Imelda who lives in England was asked to sign a letter and realized too late that she was scammed of \$45,000.
- Jim and Mary Davis and Bob Sheldrick mentioned that they too were targets of credit card fraud while on vacation. The Target and Neiman Marcus Department Store credit card breaches should make everyone more cautious. Fraud and scams only will get worst. It was pointed out that the chip-and-PIN payment system used in Europe is more secure than the magnetic strip used in the US.

**50/50**—Irene Walsh won \$11.00 and \$11.00 went into the treasury.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45. Bob Sheldrick led the closing prayer.

Submitted by Janet Sheerin, secretary