

SERRA CLUB OF PORTLAND BULLETIN

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Ordination Anniversaries

November

11/7 Rev. Ed Coleman

Birthdays



November

11/05 Rev. Robert Palladino
11/08 Rev. David Gutmann
11/09 Rev. Ronald Raab, CSC
11/10 Rev. Joel Adams, SJ
11/15 Rev. William Holtzinger
11/18 Rev. Msgr. Richard Paperini
11/19 Rev. Francis Chun
11/23 Rev. Ed Coleman
11/30 Rev. Bruce Cwiekowski
Rev. Cornelius Linehan

PERMANENT DEACONS ORDINATION

Archbishop John Vlazny will ordain eight men as permanent deacons on Saturday, October 29 at St. Mary's Cathedral. The Mass of ordination will begin at 11 a.m. All Serrans are encouraged to attend. Those being ordained are:

Ricardo Cervantes
Paul Cramer
Felix Garcia
Jose Gonzales
James Hix, Jr.
Romeo Jimenez-Jimenez
Paul Pham
Leo Rasca

SPECIAL REQUEST FOR HELP

WE NEED VOLUNTEER(S) to take over the publication of the bulletin next year. Be part of the team and make a difference....help share the good word of Serra and take on a new role. The current editor(s) need some relief! If you are interested, contact our President, Ken Harris at 503-645-5589

President's Message



On October 19 the members of the vocation and membership committees met prior to our general Serra meeting. Once again this group took up the topics of how best to develop vocation committees in more parishes and how to add members to our Portland Serra Club.

Father John Henderson indicated to the committee members that he intends to send a communication to each pastor in the Portland area, asking the pastor to send to him the name(s) of parishioners who might desire to be involved with a parish vocation committee. Father John would then send the name(s) to our Serra Club.

The next step would be for a member of our Serra club to be identified as the contact person for that parish and have them work with the parishioners to find out how Serra could help them develop a vocation committee. The parishioners would also be invited to be our guest(s) at a Serra meeting to see if becoming a Serran would interest them.

At the conclusion of the meeting Paul Harris (co- chair of the vocation committee) related that the Knights of Columbus are eager to get more involved in the promotion of vocations in our Archdiocese. Paul will communicate with the Supreme Knight about having a representative on the Archdiocesan Vocation Committee. The K of C has many resources which could be used to advance the activities of the Archdiocesan committee. Hopefully these actions will generate more interest in the parishes to establish vocation committees.

VOCATIONS ARE OUR #1 PRIORITY!

Blessed Junipero Serra, Pray for us!
Ken Harris, President

IN MEMORY OF DR. THOMAS GIANELLI



Tom Gianelli, a member of Serra Club over 20 years, died September 24, 2011 at the age of 88 years. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his beloved wife and fellow Serran, Rosemary, and their entire family. Tom was a very active Serran for many years and will be truly missed by all.



SISTERS' APPRECIATION LUNCHEON
DOUBLE TREE LLOYD CENTER
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6
1:00 WINE SOCIAL
2:00 LUNCHEON

Cost is \$35/per person (Serrans & guests)
Sisters are guests of Serra Club
DONATIONS ARE ENCOURAGED & WELCOME

CHANGE OF DECEMBER MEETINGS / CHRISTMAS PARTY
ANNUAL SERRA CHRISTMAS PARTY will be held WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7
Social and Luncheon starting at 11:30 a.m.
Serrans are encouraged to invite your spouses and parish priests & retired priests
NO GENERAL MEETING OR BOARD MEETING IN DECEMBER

CORRECTION AND APOLOGY

We wish to apologize and correct the spelling of one of our newest Serrans announced in last month's bulletin. It should have been Maria Pimentel—we misspelled her last name.

PROGRAM RECAPS

September 21 - Jack Kloster introduced our speaker, Paul Harris, one of our own Serra members. Paul spoke of his "Journey of Faith". He began with a reading from the Old Testament, Kings: "behold the Lord passeth, and a great and strong wind before the Lord overthrowing the mountains and breaking the rocks in pieces; the Lord is not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake; the Lord is not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire; the Lord is not in the fire; and after the fire a whistling of gentle air." This tiny whispering sound has guided Paul in his Journey of Faith throughout his youth and career in the U.S. Air Force, where he served for 31 years on active duty, retiring in 2001. Paul worked for the National Weather Service for two years before moving to Oregon with his wife Monique. They attend St. John the Apostle Church in Oregon City and have been active in various ministries of the Parish.

October 5 - Our guest speaker was Dr. Ray North, Orthopedic Surgeon, currently active at Legacy Meridian Park Hospital in Tualatin. Dr. North spoke on his "Life and Faith Journey" which began as he was growing up in a Catholic family where his mother was a strong influence. He was challenged to defend his Faith often throughout his university and medical school years. Dr. North is married to Carol and they belong to St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish located near the hospitals on Pill Hill.

October 19 - Tom Kelly, President of Neil Kelly, a 65 year old family owned design/build remodeling contractor was our guest speaker. Tom spoke of his "Journey of Community Service", which began with his parents, Catholic father and Quaker Mother who mentored their children in social responsibility in business and active participation in community affairs. Tom has served in a number of industry and civic leadership positions: Rotary Club of Portland, Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Mercy Corps, Home Builders Assoc., Loaves and Fishes/Meals on Wheels, Habitat for Humanity, to name only a few! Tom is current co-convenor of Oregon Solutions to rebuild the Vernonia schools that were destroyed in the winter of 2007.

EVENT RECAPS

SEMINARIAN GOLF TOURNEY

Serra's annual golf tournament for Mt Angel seminarians was held on October 7. The weather was windy and a bit rainy but it only added to the challenge. Everyone seemed to have a wonderful time. We had great attendance with almost 24 Mt Angel participants - Seminarians/priests & monks. Bishop Steiner joined in the fun along with 9 Serrans.

It is with apologies we admit the rain got the better of the registration and winners sheet so we are unable to publish the names. Let it be known, however, that everyone did a GREAT job and had a wonderful time!

Dave Hughes did his usual excellent job of organizing the golf event but at the last minute was unable to attend due to an injury. Our President Ken Harris stepped in his place and did a great job! Thanks to Jack Talbott for his great efforts in arranging the dinner which was held at the Fr. Bernard Youth Center.

REGION 12 FALL CONFERENCE

The 2011 Fall Serra Conference for Region 12 was held in September in Tacoma. The theme of the conference was "Vocations for service of God and Country". At this conference our Regional Director, Dick Peterson, announced two significant awards. He presented the Region 12 **Club of the Year** award to our own **Portland Serra Club** and he announced that **Mike Strong**, past president of the Tacoma club & USAC, was the recipient of the Region 12 **Serran of the Year** award.

The Tacoma club did an outstanding job of putting on this conference. It will be our own Portland club's turn next year. We will have to work hard to equal Tacoma's performance.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SERRA MEETINGS

November 2, 2011

Board Meeting 10:30
Lunch/Meeting Noon

PROGRAM: Fr. Paul Grubb, SJ - Jesuit High School

November 16, 2011

Mass Noon
Lunch/Meeting

PROGRAM: Dan Murphy, President of Broadway Rose Theatre Company

December 7, 2011

11:30 a.m.—Christmas Party

NO BOARD MEETING OR GENERAL MEETING IN DECEMBER

SPECIAL EVENTS

October 30, 2011

Mt. Angel Annual Seminarian Benefit Dinner 4:00 pm

November 6, 2011

Sisters' Luncheon
Double Tree-Lloyd Center
1:00 - 4:00 P.M.

January—TBD

Dinner for Portland Archdiocese Seminarians

January 9-14, 2011

National Vocation Awareness Week

January 12, 2012

Governor's training—Chicago

January 13-15, 2012

USAC Super Weekend (Chicago)

February 5, 2012

World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

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