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Minutes of the 833rd Provincial Council Meeting Conference Call, May 9, 2013

PRESENT: Fr. Tom Cassidy, provincial superior; Fr. Bill Pitcavage, Fr. Ed Kilianski, Fr. Byron Haaland, Fr. Jack Kurps and Br. Duane Lemke, councilors; Dn. David Nagel, treasurer; Fr. Terence Langley, provincial secretary; and Mary Gorski, minutes.

- I. Review of Minutes – The council voted to approve the minutes of the 832nd council meeting with minor changes.
- II. Novice Master — The council voted to extend Fr. John Czyzynski's term as novice master for one year so that he will serve through the 2013-14 academic year. Applications for the novitiate class can be reviewed at the council's June meeting.
- III. Province Development Office — The Province Development Office would like to expand its board of directors and proposes the appointment of Steve Koepke (Sacred Heart Southern Missions) and Sally Smits (Sacred Heart School of Theology) for three-year terms beginning July 1. The council voted both to approve the expansion of the board and to appoint Mr. Koepke and Ms. Smits.
- IV. Province policies
 - A. Social media — Fr. Cassidy told the council that he spoke to Br. Frank Presto about investigating policies regarding use of social media by religious. Fr. Cassidy will suggest that the next administration develop a social media policy.
 - B. Boundary issues — The province policies should be reviewed regarding boundary violations, especially the implications should an SCJ choose not to follow the policy.

Minutes of the 834th Provincial Council Meeting June 5, 2013, Hales Corners, WI

PRESENT: Fr. Tom Cassidy, provincial superior; Fr. Bill Pitcavage, Fr. Ed Kilianski, Fr. Byron Haaland, Fr. Jack Kurps and Br. Duane Lemke, councilors; Fr. Terence Langley, provincial secretary (minutes); and Fr. John van den Hengel, general councilor

- I. Opening Prayer – Fr. Cassidy opened the meeting with prayer.
- II. Formation
 - A. Br. Clay Diaz — The council voted to approve Br. Diaz' request to renew his temporary vows and delay his final vows program.
 - B. Frater Joseph Vu — He is going to Houston for his apostolic year, where he will work at Our Lady of Guadalupe School and assist in faith formation. He is also

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going on an education experience sponsored by SHST. The council voted to approve Frater Vu's request to renew vows.

- C. Novice Juan Carlos Castañeda Rojas — The council voted to approve Juan Carlos Castañeda Rojas for first vows.
- D. Novice James Nguyen — The council voted to approve his request for first vows.
- E. Justin Krenke — The council voted to approve Justin's request for entrance to the novitiate.

III. Sacred Heart School of Theology Board of Directors

- A. New appointments — The council voted to approve Ms. Colleen Smith and Fr. Thomas Knoebel for three-year terms on the SHST Board of Directors.
 - B. Reappointments — The council voted to approve Archbishop Jerome Listecki and Bishop Donald Hying for re-appointment to the SHST Board of Directors for three-year terms.
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Minutes of the 835th Provincial Council Meeting

Hales Corners, Wis., July 31, 2013

PRESENT: Fr. Tom Cassidy, provincial superior; Fr. Bill Pitcavage, Fr. Ed Kilianski, Fr. Byron Haaland, Fr. Jack Kurps and Br. Duane Lemke, councilors; Dn. David Nagel, treasurer; Fr. Terence Langley, provincial secretary; and Mary Gorski, minutes. Also present were Fr. Stephen Huffstetter, provincial-elect, and Fr. Christianus Hendrik, provincial councilor-elect

- I. Council check-in — Participants took time to update each other on themselves, ministries and personal concerns. Items of note:
 - Fr. Langley said that taking part in the international secretaries meeting at the Generalate was a very positive experience for him. Meeting others in the congregation was important and he enjoyed wonderful hospitality.
 - Fr. Cassidy noted how fast his years as provincial superior have gone. He looks forward to his sabbatical.
 - Br. Lemke said that the formation team got away together for two days during the summer to discuss the upcoming year and make plans. They have developed a "Formation Yearbook" with general plans for the year. He said that this will be helpful not only for themselves but also for future formation personnel.
 - Fr. Huffstetter said that he spent much of the past few weeks finishing business with St. Joseph's Indian School and preparing for his departure from ministry there.
 - Fr. Pitcavage expressed his gratitude for having been a part of the past council and for Fr. Cassidy's leadership.
 - Fr. Kurps said that preparations for the North American Continental Conference are falling into place well.
 - Fr. Haaland attended the diaconate ordination of an SHST seminarian and is also directing Justin Krenke's retreat as he prepares for entrance to the novitiate. Fr. Haaland will be the presider at the funeral for Fr. Charles Brown's mother.
 - Fr. Kilianski said that his recovery is going well following surgery on his carotid artery. Fr. José Agostinho de Figueiredo Sousa, an SCJ from Portugal doing research in the United States, spent time at Our Lady of Guadalupe. He was very helpful, celebrating several of the Spanish language Masses. The community house at OLG will be full this fall with Frater Joseph Vu coming for ministry.
 - Fr. Hendrik said that being elected to council makes him feel more connected to and responsible for the life of the congregation.
- II. Minutes
 - A. Election Assembly — The council voted to approve the minutes from the Election Assembly with minor revisions.

B. 834th Meeting — The council voted to approve the minutes from the 834 meeting.

III. Administration

A. Appointments

1. Admissions Board — The council voted to reappoint Fr. Paul Kelly and Fr. Bob Tucker to the Admissions Board, and to appoint Fr. Jim Brackin, Fr. John Klingler and Fr. Charles Yost as new board members. All will serve three-year terms.
2. South Dakota Community Treasurer — The council voted to appoint Fr. Bernard Rosinski as treasurer of the South Dakota community. He will fulfill Fr. Stephen Huffstetter's term.
- B. Leadership, St. Joseph's Indian School — With Fr. Huffstetter's departure, staff at St. Joseph's Indian School proposed the following interim leadership framework until a permanent president is named:

- Fr. Anthony Kluckman will be the name and face of St. Joseph's. He will continue to serve as chaplain at the school but will assist with donors when they visit or call the school.
- Mike Tyrell will be the interim president, making daily decisions for the organization and taking responsibility for implementing the strategic plan.
- Executive management decisions will be handled together by Mike Tyrell, Donna Dean, Kory Christianson and Fr. Kluckman. They will meet regularly to address immediate and long-term concerns.

Councilors were supportive of this plan. However, several asked that a timeline be set. This is especially important in regards to donor materials. It would be wasteful to order materials with Fr. Kluckman's name if he were to be replaced in just a few months.

The out-going council suggested that the new council state that the interim plan be in place through the 2013-14 academic year. During that time, the council should decide on a permanent leadership structure. Fr. Huffstetter said that his desire is to have a solution in place by January, 2014.

Councilors spoke highly of Mike Tyrell, noting that he has a strong understanding of the SCJ charism. They also suggested that this might be the time to begin talking about permanent lay leadership at the school. SCJs would continue as chaplains, ensuring that the SCJ imprint is strong in the school, but the operation of St. Joseph's might best be served by a non-SCJ. This model is working well at Sacred Heart School of Theology, which is now directed by a diocesan priest.

The council voted to approve the proposed interim leadership structure of St. Joseph's Indian School.

IV. Finance

- A. Province Development Office — Dn. Nagel has been serving as the interim executive director of the Province Development Office and has supervised its restructuring. On June 11 the office staff was informed of the restructuring plan. The reduction in the workforce started with the retirement of seven staff on June 28. The Donor Services Department closed on July 10 and the Inserting Department will close on August 30.

By the end of the summer, development office staff will number approximately 20. All personnel will be in the south building. The office is looking at possibly leasing the former provincialate office building. Staff seems to be making the transition well; the office directors are assuming more responsibility. There is good communication and a better sense of the fund raising mission of the office. Sid Libenson, fund raising director, is doing well. He has a good letter-writing style.

PEP Direct, owned by Quadriga Art, has taken over Donor Services. Kim Rozanski and Pam Milczarski are working with PEP staff to assist in the transition. Dn. Nagel said that this seems to be going well. Mail America, also owned by Quadriga, is taking on the mailing.

July 8-10, Dn. Nagel and other key personnel were a part of a strategic planning session with Quadriga. Dn. Nagel said that this was good.

Dn. Nagel is optimistic about the direction of the office. The mailing schedule is evolving; the office will be sending more

mail than it has recently. Donations during the last two weeks have been positive. He expects good returns with the fall campaigns. The Christmas campaign is coming together.

Regarding finances, \$1 million was moved from the Charitable Gift Annuity Fund to cover expenses for retirees and severances. Severance will be paid out through December.

The office has no large debts. In May, \$2 million was taken from excess to pay down the debt with Quadriga.

Overall, while there are challenges, the transition is going more smoothly than anticipated.

The next strategic meeting with Quadriga will be in October. The office has a three-year contract with Quadriga. This is similar to what Sacred Heart Southern Missions did when it reorganized its office.

- B. Sacred Heart at Monastery Lake — Dn. Nagel updated the council on SHML. The new wing has a temporary occupancy permit; 89% is rented, nine units are still open.

Income from the rentals will go toward monthly payments to the Support and Maintenance Trust to cover the \$1.2 million loan taken from it for SHML.

Dn. Nagel has been pleased with all the organizations involved in the project, including Horizon Construction, Oakbrook Management and Sodexo.

Of the original tenants, two people will not be renewing leases. Rent was increased by three percent.

There is a lawsuit in litigation with Freedom Fire as a result of the Carstensen pull-out and bankruptcy.

Councilors asked what the projected income from the property will be. Dn. Nagel said that it is estimated at \$500,000. He noted that money will need to be set aside for a depreciation fund.

C. Other

1. Investments — An investment committee meeting will take place the morning of August 27. Stakeholders will meet in the afternoon. Members of the council are welcome to attend the stakeholders' meeting.
2. Audit — Schenck SC will conduct the province audit later this summer.

- V. Legal Concerns — Kathleen Dahlgren, province attorney, updated the out-going and in-coming administrations on various legal issues.

- A. Litigation — As Dn. Nagel noted, litigation is still in process with Freedom Fire. The fire protection service had a contract with Carstensen. Carstensen went into bankruptcy. Freedom Fire is suing both Carstensen and the Priests of the Sacred Heart. On August 12 the court will hear a motion. Ms. Dahlgren anticipates a successful outcome for the SCJs. If it is not, most likely the case will go to mediation.

The province is monitoring the bankruptcy of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee to determine whether it will be impacted by it. Also, the province is monitoring the bankruptcy of Carstensen Construction. Most likely the SCJs will not receive any payment from it.

- B. Properties — The property that once housed St. Joseph's Retreat Center has been deeded to the Diocese of Green Bay.

There has been a review of all the SCJ properties in Franklin. Some were re-zoned for lower tax status. The Woods Road property is now tax exempt. Sacred Heart at Monastery Lake is still being reviewed in regards to its tax status.

The province owns several odd-sized properties in Franklin. They are being reviewed to determine whether some should be combined for better administration.

Ms. Dahlgren has been working with Dn. Nagel in regards to the facility study at Sacred Heart School of Theology.

- C. Human Resources — Ms. Dahlgren noted that the human resource professionals from the province entities get together twice a year. This has been helpful not only for information sharing, but to work toward developing parity in employee policies throughout the province.

Employee issues being addressed include the administration of pensions of divorced employees, employee health plans, the SCJ medical plan, and issues related to the workforce reduction at the Province Development Office.

D. SCJ personnel issues

1. Immigration — Ms. Dahlgren noted the immigration issues of international members of the province. To work in the country, they must have R-1 visas. Fr. Hendrik has been in the United States long enough to apply for an R-2, or permanent religious worker visa. Ms. Dahlgren also works with SHST personnel to obtain student visas.
2. Estate planning — Ms. Dahlgren recently worked with the formation community to help its members prepare wills and health care documents. She and Dn. Nagel will work to update the health care documents of all province members. There is now a single state form that is used for health care power of attorney. All members of the U.S. Province are to all use the Wisconsin form, which will be recognized in other states.

Recently, she worked with Fr. Ed Zemlik regarding to his mother's estate.

3. Personnel files — With Fr. David Szatkowski and Fr. Cassidy, Ms. Dahlgren reviewed SCJ personnel files to ensure that they contain necessary and pertinent documents.
 4. Policies — Ms. Dahlgren has been a resource for province policies. Most recently she has been in contact with Br. Frank Presto who is developing an internet communications policy.
- E. Sacred Heart School of Theology — Ms. Dahlgren is in communication with Sally Smits at SHST regarding employee contracts and other legal concerns.
- F. Sacred Heart Southern Missions — SHSM is processing the estate of a significant benefactor.

G. Questions — Councilors had a Q&A session with Ms. Dahlgren. Items of note:

1. South Dakota — Fr. Pitcavage asked if the province would take legal action against those in South Dakota who brought false allegations against himself and Fr. Tom Lind. Ms. Dahlgren said that it was possible but noted that the lawsuit in question was dismissed because of the statute of limitations and not because the allegations were proven false. The burden of proving them to be false would be on the SCJs if the community decided to take action.
 2. Christian Brothers — Fr. Kurps asked if Ms. Dahlgren was kept informed of legal work done by Christian Brothers on behalf of the province as its insurer. She said that there has been communication. She spoke briefly about a situation in Mississippi where a ramp built by volunteers for SHSM collapsed.
 3. Praesidium — Are SCJ personnel files in compliance with the requirements of Praesidium? Ms. Dahlgren said that they are; Fr. Szatkowski did an excellent job reviewing them earlier this year. It is the provincial secretary's job to maintain the files.
- H. Further updates — Ms. Dahlgren will meet with Fr. Huffstetter at a later date to update him in greater detail on legal concerns.

VI. Wrap-up — Members of the out-going administration briefly noted issues of concern, or issues they felt the new administration should keep in mind as it moves forward. Paraphrased comments:

- It is important for the council to find ways of keeping in touch and on top of issues.
- Being mindful of visioning and working toward goals is important.
- Review retirement and medical costs.
- Organize the time allocated for council meetings well.

- Consider use of a province calendar that lists all major province events. It was noted that a calendar is available on the province website and that province and congregational events are listed in the Fridge Notes.
- Identify the mandates of the administration; what is it that the membership is calling it to do?
- Review support of the Eighth Day Center.
- The General Curia recommends that each entity has a three-year plan. This would be helpful for the province.
- Should the council have a discussion regarding “confidentiality?”
- Fr. Pitcavage was thanked for his work, especially in challenging situations.
- Fr. Cassidy was thanked for his leadership and commitment.

VII. Unfinished business — Fr. Huffstetter asked the outgoing administration about “unfinished business.” What are areas that need attention? Comments, paraphrased:

- Justice and Peace director: it is unfortunate that the province is still without a JP director.
- The province needs to be more proactive in planning for personnel needs in key positions.
- Clarify mission.
- Discuss the vowed life; how do SCJs in the United States live it? What does the vow of poverty mean in the United States?
- Items in the three-year plan were not necessarily things of which completion is expected. The new administration needs to review the three-year plan and modify it as appropriate.
- Is this a time for formal strategic planning in the province? It was noted that serious strategic planning involves a lengthy time commitment.

VIII. Thank you — Fr. Cassidy thanked the out-going council, as well as support staff, for their work during his administration.

Minutes of the 836th Provincial Council Meeting

Hales Corners, Wis., August 1, 2013

PRESENT: Fr. Stephen Huffstetter, provincial superior; Fr. Ed Kilianski, Fr. Byron Haaland, Fr. Jack Kurps, Duane Lemke and Fr. Christianus Hendrik, councilors. Present after faith-sharing: Dn. David Nagel, treasurer; Fr. Terence Langley, provincial secretary; and Mary Gorski, minutes.

- I. Faith sharing — Fr. Huffstetter and the council spent the morning together in faith sharing. The afternoon prior to their first meeting the new council worked on team building.
- II. Officers — The council voted to approve Dn. David Nagel as provincial treasurer and voted to approve Fr. Terence Langley as provincial secretary. Mary Gorski will take minutes at the council meetings.
- III. Certified Corporate Resolution — The council voted to approve the Certified Corporate Resolution that authorizes Dn. Nagel to execute any and all documents on behalf of the corporation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, a Wisconsin religious corporation. The resolution is attached as Addendum A.
- IV. Annual Meeting — The council voted to approve the minutes of the annual meeting of the board of directors of the U.S. Province of the Congregation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart. During the meeting, Schenck Business Solutions was hired to conduct the annual audit and the following were unanimously elected as officers:

President: Fr. Stephen Huffstetter
Vice President: Fr. Edward Kilianski
Treasurer: Dn. David Nagel
Secretary: Fr. Terence Langley

The minutes of the meeting are attached as Addendum B.

- V. Method of operation — The council discussed how it wanted to operate. Members will meet approximately every six weeks in person, generally on a Wednesday and Thursday. The first morning of each meeting will be spent in faith sharing among the councilors and provincial superior. The provincial secretary and provincial treasurer will not be a part of this. The business of the meeting will take place the afternoon of the first day and the morning and afternoon of the second day (as needed).

Councilors will try to do an informal, check-in conference call, with Fr. Huffstetter, approximately every two weeks. The secretary and treasurer will not be called in on the conference call unless there is an issue of significance that needs to be recorded or if advice is sought.

- VI. Calendar — The following council meeting dates have been set:

September 4-5
October 23-24
December 18-19 (Christmas party with provincial staff on the evening on December 18)
February 5-6
March 19-20
May 14-15

Conference call: August 20 at 10 a.m. Central. Mary Gorski will send a reminder about this to councilors; Fr. Huffstetter will host the call. This is to be an informal call without minutes.

- VII. Future agenda — Councilors suggested following agenda items:

- Time with Msgr. Ross Shecterle, president-rector of Sacred Heart School of Theology.
- Time with vocation personnel.
- Time with formation personnel.

Councilors suggested that Fr. Langley send a draft agenda via email and ask for council input prior to sending the meeting packet a week before the council meeting. Some councilors would like to receive the packet electronically, some in print. Fr. Langley can work with councilors to determine what is best for each.

It was suggested that agenda items be noted during the informal conference calls. Fr. Huffstetter will forward these to Fr. Langley.

ADDENDUM A

CERTIFIED CORPORATE RESOLUTION

I hereby certify that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, a Wisconsin religious corporation, which occurred on the 1st day of August, 2013, at which meeting a quorum was present and acting throughout, the following resolution was adopted and is now in full force and effect:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Priests of the Sacred Heart, Wisconsin religious corporation, hereby authorizes Deacon David Nagel, SCJ, Corporate Treasurer to execute any and all documents on behalf of the corporation in connection with corporate financial matters, including but not limited to, applications, authorizations, agreements, purchases, account transactions and stock transactions.

I hereby certify that I am the duly elected Secretary and Custodian of Records of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, a Wisconsin religious corporation; that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted in accordance with the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, a Wisconsin religious corporation, by unanimous consent; and that said Resolution is not in conflict with the Certificate or Bylaws and is now in full force and effect.

Dated: August 1, 2013

Fr. Terence Langley, SCJ
Provincial Secretary

ADDENDUM B

Annual Meeting of the
Board of Directors of US Province
of the Congregation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart

Held on August 1, 2013

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of US Province of the Congregation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart held at the offices of the corporation at 7373 S. Lovers Lane Road, P.O. Box 289, Hales Corners, Wisconsin on the 1 day of August, 2013, pursuant to the following waiver of notice and consent to the holding of such meeting signed by the Directors of this corporation on the records of said meeting, to wit:

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, being the Directors of the US Province of the Congregation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, being now here present in person, hereby waive any and all notice of this meeting and hereby consent to the holding thereof at this time and place, to wit: At the offices of said corporation at 7373 S. Lovers Lane Road, Hales Corners, Wisconsin, this 1 day of August, 2013, and do hereby consent to the transaction of any and all business that may come before said meeting

Appointment of new officers
Hiring of Schenck Business Solutions to conduct the annual audit

Dated this 1, August 2013

V. Rev. Stephen Huffstetter, SCJ, one of the Directors of the corporation, called the meeting to order. Thereupon, the following officers were unanimously elected opposite their names:

President	V. Rev. Stephen Huffstetter, SCJ
Vice-President	Fr. Edward Kilianski, SCJ
Treasurer	Dn. David Nagel, SCJ
Secretary	Fr. Terence Langley, SCJ

There being no further business to come before this meeting, the same was on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, duly adjoined.

Minutes of the U.S. Province Election Assembly

June 3-6, 2013

Monday, June 3

- I. Extended Eucharistic Adoration — Adoration was available in the main chapel of Sacred Heart Monastery/School of Theology
- II. Opening; first working session — Fr. Thomas Cassidy, provincial superior, officially opened the Province Election Assembly.

A. Appointments — Fr. Cassidy introduced the following appointments to the assembly:

1. Moderator — Fr. Peter McKenna
2. Secretary of the Assembly — Fr. Terry Langley
3. Recording Secretary — Mary Gorski (with Br. Frank Presto as back-up in her absence)
4. Tellers — Novices James Nguyen and Juan Carlos Castañeda Rojas

After being affirmed by the assembly, those appointed took the oath of secrecy, administered by Fr. Cassidy.

- B. Observers — Assembly observers were introduced, including Fr. José Agostinho de Figueiredo Sousa of the Portuguese Province (in the United States for research), Br. Brian Tompkins of the Canadian Region (a member of the Sacred Heart Community at SHML), candidate Justin Krenke and Fr. John van den Hengel, general councilor (vicar general).
- C. General councilor's comments — Fr. van den Hengel, general councilor, brought greetings from Fr. José Ornelas Carvalho and the rest of the general administration. He challenged the membership to look at the future of the congregation in North America as it discerns leadership, in particular, how the voice of younger SCJs can be heard as the province prepares for the future.
- D. Proxy ballots — Fr. Langley noted that 11 SCJs hold proxy votes and reminded proxy holders of what was required of them.
- E. Moderator's introduction — Fr. McKenna went over minor housekeeping concerns, reviewed what was in participants' packets and then spoke of the task of the election assembly.

He noted that this is a potentially graced moment for the province and that it is important for participants to listen from the heart so that they can hear where the Spirit is leading. Fr. McKenna encouraged SCJs to speak honestly and listen deeply. The only business of the assembly is the election. The assembly has no power of governance. Its sole purpose is to discern leadership.

It is hoped that prayer and conversations can be woven together to allow good discernment. Prayer is a vital part of the assembly. SCJs in the United States should keep in mind that members of the congregation around the world are keeping them in prayer.

- F. Table activity: giving thanks — After a few minutes of quiet reflection SCJs were asked to share with those at their table a moment during the past three years for which they, as members of the U.S. Province, were grateful.
- G. Provincial superior's opening remarks — As a preface to the assembly, Fr. Cassidy reviewed the past six years of his administration. He spoke of the challenges of personnel and resources, but also reasons for gratitude, such as the newly developed Sacred Heart at Monastery Lake. His full text is attached as Addendum A.
- H. Table activity: State of the Province — Prior to the assembly, members of the province received the State of the Province report. SCJs reviewed this individually and with their local communities. Fr. McKenna asked SCJs to reflect on the State of the Province, as well as Fr. Cassidy's opening remarks, and identify: 1) something of significance that has happened during the past three years for which you want to give thanks to God; 2) a hope that

you may have had for the past three years that did not materialize.

Items of significance/reasons for thanks noted in the table discussions:

- The welcoming of SCJs from other provinces in community and ministry.
- The installation of a non-SCJ as president-rector of Sacred Heart School of Theology.
- Sacred Heart at Monastery Lake.
- The two novices.
- Men in initial formation.
- Young SCJ gatherings.
- The appointment of a vice president for (SCJ) mission at SHST.
- Mission Education.
- The advanced degrees earned by several young members of the province.
- Support of missions, missionary activity.
- Decision to continue ministry at Our Lady of Guadalupe, Houston.
- Greater awareness of internationality of congregation.
- Collaboration with competent non-SCJs in ministries.
- Expansion of the Akta Lakota Museum and Alumni Center.
- Those who are in vows who choose to stay.
- Pastoral commitment to Milwaukee's Vietnamese community.
- The desire to hire a director of Justice and Peace as a means to further JP issues.
- The ESL program.
- Provincial health care program.
- The rebound of the stock market.

Items hoped for, but either not in process, or not as successful as desired:

- Vocations.
- Maintenance of vocations that come to the community (why do so many who come to the SCJs in discernment decide to leave?).
- St. Louis gatherings (these, or something like them, should have continued).
- Honest discussion of province spending.
- Discussion of vowed living.
- Work on human rights issues.
- Province development office; fund raising shouldn't be thought of as something done by an office. It should be something for which the whole community takes responsibility.
- Preparation of replacement personnel for key province positions.
- No new ministries after many years of speaking of them.
- Disappointment in leaving Raymondville and the Cheyenne River Reservation.
- No plans for stability in South Dakota and Mississippi.
- A clear articulation of a vision for the province.
- Communication with and from the younger members of the province.
- The attempt at, but then inability to find a suitable candidate as a Justice and Peace director.
- Conversations on the possibility of assisted living at SHML which might allow more SCJs to remain in community instead of moving to an assisted living facility.
- A greater responsibility by the entire province toward vocation development.
- Concern for the province's deficit budgets.

- I. Table activity — Fr. McKenna asked SCJs in small groups to identify something that had been clearly heard, or something that had been heard for the first time. Comments, paraphrased:

Positive:

- The seeming success of Sacred Heart at Monastery Lake. The SCJs have good visibility through the project; there is a great joy found among the lay residents, and the residence offers new opportunities for ministry.
- A greater sense of belonging to the SCJs.
- The quality of community life in the formation community.
- Monsignor Ross Shecterle's appointment as SHST president-rector. This is a good example of how the congregation can continue its imprint in the United States with the collaboration of others.
- Greater international collaboration.

- The St. Louis gatherings were beneficial.
- We are lucky to have young men in formation,
- We are blessed to be able to financially support the Asian entities.
- We are blessed by the contribution of SCJs from other areas of the congregation.
- There are good opportunities for continuing education.
- The election of Pope Francis has given a new sense of life in the Church.
- Overall the current administration did a good job; those in leadership often don't get thanked.

Challenging:

- There is concern that the province isn't equipped to give more assisted care at SHML to those who need it.
- It seems that the process begun in St. Louis hasn't had good follow-up.
- There needs to be more engagement with and from the younger SCJs.
- Many people show initial interest in the congregation through Come and See weekends and other initiatives; why do so few continue their discernment with the SCJs?
- The province lacks the manpower to cover significant roles in the province.
- The inability to hire a Justice and Peace director.
- Further discussion is needed with regard to living the vowed life and in living together in intergenerational and international communities.
- There is a lack of enthusiasm in the province.
- There is a disconnect in ministry.
- A lack of long-range planning.
- No new ministries.
- There does not seem to be much longing for deeper conversations.

- J. Homework — Fr. McKenna asked SCJs to reflect on what the province needs to pay attention to in the next three years. What are the priorities?
- K. Remembering the deceased — Fr. McKenna asked the membership to remember those who had died since the last election assembly: Fr. Charles Bisgrove, Fr. Richard DiLeo, Fr. Jerome Clifford and Br. Tim Murphy.
- L. Thanks to the out-going administration — Fr. van den Hengel thanked the out-going administration, in the name of the General Council, for its service to the congregation.

III. Eucharist — The day ended with Eucharist, a social and dinner.

Tuesday, June 4

I. Morning prayer

II. Morning session

- A. Announcements — SCJs were reminded that if they have proxy votes that they must turn in their letter of authorization by 1 p.m.

Fr. McKenna said that since the assembly did not have a steering committee, he and Fr. Langley thought that it would be beneficial to have a small group serve as a "sounding board." The group would meet each day to monitor the assembly and discuss concerns. Participants were encouraged to share questions or concerns that they have with members of the sounding board. They were: Fr. Jim Schroeder, Fr. Duy Nguyen and Fr. David Szatkowski, along with Fr Langley and Fr. McKenna.

Introducing the day, Fr. McKenna urged SCJs to look at the priorities for the province in 2016 (the year of the next election) and the qualities needed in leadership to help work toward those goals. At the end of the day SCJs would surface names of SCJs who had such qualities. Fr. McKenna encouraged the membership to maintain a prayerful, reflective sense of discernment throughout the assembly.

- B. Fr. Tim Gray — Fr. Gray informed the membership that his sister had died; he thanked SCJs for their support

during her illness.

C. Table activity: priorities for the province — In table discussions, SCJs surfaced province priorities looking toward 2016, the end of the upcoming administrative term. Reports from the tables, paraphrased:

- Continue to have a mission that propels us forward. Become better at working with laity and improve this skill. Connect with the younger members of the province and integrate them into decisions and leadership.
- Vocations are essential. We need to examine ourselves and determine what may be blocking others from joining us. Incorporate the laity into our charism and authority. Place greater emphasis on the process of decision making and follow through. Inculturate our charism with the laity and others we work and/or minister with.
- Vocations — we need a radical reexamination of ourselves. We need to ask how we might be seen by the millennial generation. How might this generation see us living the Gospel values?
- The new provincial should take time to call people individually both socially and pastorally. Deeper spirituality would help improve our understanding and flow into our ministry. The vocation situation needs attention. The provincial as a pastor rather than a CEO is the preferred model. A new administrative planning process needs to be initiated. There is a concern about the few people who are under 50 in the province. We need to reexamine where we are and what ministry we do in light of this reality. What is the possibility for greater assisted living at SHML?
- Vocations are a concern. As we integrate younger SCJs into the process of leadership let us not forget ministry to our elders. It is important that our responses and choices allow for being authentic to our charism. Vision for ministry to guide our plans and decisions is needed.
- Put our financial house in order. We must realize that many of the donors in our databases are passing away. Prioritize ministries: where is the need of the church and what is SCJ ministry are key questions. Encouraging SCJs of other nations/cultures to come to the US Province needs to continue. Vocations are a worry. We are concerned about the “manpower” cliff. Where can we be effective? What should our ministries be? Leaders need to be managers, planners and dreamers.
- We talked about community, vision, aging and ministry.
- The concerns of vocations, formation and ministry were raised. We need to put our financial house in order. Concern was expressed about the same people making all the decisions. The distinction between corporate and personal ministry was raised. We need to allow younger members to assume responsibility within and/or for the province. How are individuals recruited in conjunction with other religious institutes? Embrace diversity. Do we close off vocations because of the emphasis on our corporate ministries?
- Vocations have two different components. One is external: how do we recruit. The second is internal: why are others attracted to us? How do we live? We need to be people who pray and live our charism.
- There is a need for spiritual renewal with a reexamination and retrieval of our core values. How can we animate and empower the younger members of the province?
- Vocations: what have we done and what are we doing? The process of admissions seems cumbersome. We need to look at options in senior care

Fr. McKenna noted that many raised similar concerns: vocations, empowerment of the younger members, mission formation and awareness, as well as the need for the SCJ charism to be evident in relationships and living. He encouraged the assembly to take steps to reestablish lost relationships, to remove the baggage of past years.

D. Table activity: further discussion regarding priorities and how to achieve them — Fr. McKenna had the membership, in small group discussion, reflect on the following: 1) What is the greatest priority for the U.S. Province as we move into our future? 2) How will our Dehonian charism and spirituality make a difference within our

world in 2016?

Reports from the tables, paraphrased:

- To be able to see concrete results of what is decided upon.
- A spiritual renewal with reexamination and retrieval of core values, such as intentionally being and doing “love and reparation;” the vowed life lived in community; rediscovering what oblation and reparation means in today’s society; fair and just treatment of and communication with our co-workers.
- Renewal of community life and prayer and dedication of members to the province project.
- This new administration – now – should call together those under 67 years of age to decide how they will carry the province into the future and deal with these issues.
- We need to move away from the narcissistic, internal, self-preoccupation with personal feelings and care in order to articulate the concrete, objective task required to fulfill our mission, its personnel, material resources, directions and goals. It is the elected provincial and his council that makes these choices. They are rational beings who are attentive to what they hear from the membership.
- Valuing our survival, vocation ministry is vital. We urge reaching out to and involving the laity and sharing our Dehonian ministry with them.
- We urge a six-year strategic plan be developed province-wide to deal with manpower, financial and ministerial issues.
- A planning process that develops a clear vision of who we are and how our charism can respond to what is going on within our church and world should be initiated. This vision would be like an umbrella and incorporate the various other priorities such as vocations, shared ministry with laity and others, and attention to the younger and senior members of our province.
- We seek a more authentic response to our present situation in light of our charism which includes vocations and share our spirituality with the laity.
- We should develop a vision here at the assembly and follow that vision into 2016. The concern is that we talk but do not follow up on our conversations, which then vanish away. We must not allow our political differences to hinder our vision.
- It is difficult to set one priority out of so many. We need to have a clear sense of purpose. This sense of identity should be something we can become enthusiastic about which may then influence others to join us. We notice that many youth considering a vocation are conservative.

II. Afternoon session

- A. Priorities — A list of priorities, identified in the morning session, was distributed to SCJs. Next to the priorities was a column labeled “qualities” and another labeled “person.” Fr. McKenna said that the assembly would have the following tasks for the afternoon: examine the list of priorities, discuss what qualities are needed to address the priorities, and discuss who might have these qualities.
- B. Table activity: qualities needed for leadership — In small groups SCJs discussed the core qualities needed in leadership to help the province move toward its future. Qualities noted by the tables, paraphrased:
 - To be a person similar to Pope Francis.
 - Pastoral and creative
 - Have a sense of vision. Live the charism and animate others to do so. Collaboration and able reach out to others.
 - Be a person of prayer who has a deep love of community and whose vision flows from that love. Be consul-

tative.

- Have a sense of vision. Be familiar with our charism and understand how our charism can reach the world.
 - Communicate and be attentive to others; strive to include many in the conversation. Be able to take criticism.
 - Collaborate. Take risks.
 - Be rooted in Dehonian values. Have a vision that flows from these values.
 - A person with deep spirituality who can express our charism.
 - Believe that our task is to pass on our charism to future generations.
 - Pull people together. Be a bridge builder/mediator who can bring diverse groups together.
- C. Input from former provincial superiors — Fr. McKenna invited former provincial superiors to offer their thoughts on the qualities needed for the ministry. Their comments, paraphrased:
1. Fr. John Klingler — The first priority is to be pastoral. The second is to take care of oneself.
 2. Fr. Mike Burke — You need a love for the community. Be willing to make decisions out of your love for the charism.
 3. Fr. John Czyzynski — Know the charism. Remind us of who we are and what we are about. You need a deep love of your brothers. We are an international congregation and need to remember we all serve the broader church. Administrative skills are necessary. The ability to read the signs of the times to develop a province vision is necessary. Know when you need support, assistance and/or help and seek it out.
 4. Fr. Richard MacDonald — The support of the province is necessary. There are times when hard decisions will be made. There is a difference between authority and leadership. Authority is "I am in charge and we will do it my way". Leadership resembles the disciples on the road to Emmaus: walk with your brothers and journey together to unravel the mystery.
 5. Fr. Thomas Cassidy — We are in this together, it takes all of us. Remember to take care of the local superiors and yourself.
- D. Identifying names — A sheet listing the qualities for leadership, which were identified during table discussions, was distributed. In light of these qualities, members were asked to bring forth two names of SCJs who should be considered for provincial superior and state why.

By straw ballot, the assembly voted to share the names. Fr. McKenna suggested doing a "sounding experience" in which four names would be brought forth for consideration instead of the two called for in a straw ballot. By a show of hands the assembly chose to proceed toward a sounding experience.

After the break, the listing of qualities was distributed. The participants were invited to review the worksheet. In light of the earlier discussions, this one would bring forth names of eligible members for provincial superior.

The tellers distributed sheets of paper on which the names were to be listed by each SCJ. The results were tabulated after the final session of the day and both emailed to members and posted in several common areas.

Results of the "sounding exercise:"

- Fr. Guy Blair:	9
- Fr. James Brackin:	13
- Fr. Timothy Gray:	1
- Fr. Byron Haaland:	40
- Fr. Christianus Hendrik:	1
- Fr. Stephen Huffstetter:	47
- Fr. Jack Kurps:	34
- Fr. Edward Kilianski:	44
- Fr. Terence Langley:	3
- Fr. Patrick Lloyd:	2

- Fr. Richard MacDonald:	1
- Fr. Paul McGuire:	2
- Fr. Zbigniew Morawiec:	2
- Fr. Quang Nguyen:	2
- Fr. William Pitcavage:	19
- Fr. Anthony Russo:	1
- Fr. James Schroeder:	11
- Fr. Yvon Sheehy:	14
- Fr. Vincent Suparman:	2
- Fr. David Szatkowski:	2
- Fr. Robert Tucker:	5
- Fr. James Walters:	2

III. Eucharist — The day ended with Eucharist. Following a picnic-style dinner, those who had signed up previously attended a Brewers baseball game.

Wednesday, June 5

I. Morning prayer

II. Opening session

- A. Announcements — Fr. McKenna made several announcements, including the fact that Cardinal Nagy of Poland died.
- B. Table activity: names and qualities needed for leadership — Fr. McKenna asked SCJs in table discussions to reflect on the following question: “When you think of where your province needs to be in the next three years, who do you see leading it; what qualities does this person bring to leadership?”

Names surfaced from the table discussions, along with qualities:

1. Fr. Jack Kurps
 - Facilitation skills
 - Administrative skills
 - Good listener
 - Good at planning
 - Creative
 - Able to do strategic planning
2. Fr. Ed Kilianski
 - Administrative skills
 - Good pastor
 - Compassionate
 - Empathetic
 - Forward-thinking
 - Works with the poor
 - Well organized
 - Works with Hispanics; pastor at Our Lady of Guadalupe
 - He is young and has good energy
 - Community is important to him
 - Good listener
 - Visionary
 - Has handled a wide variety of situations
 - Pastoral
 - Passionate
 - Risk taker

- Up-front with others
 - Vocation experience
 - Hard to replace in current ministry
3. Fr. Byron Haaland
 - Strong love for the charism
 - Pastoral
 - Good people skills
 - Visionary
 - Creative
 - Talented
 - Pleasant to be with
 - Was challenged but remained faithful to the SCJs
 - Well versed in Dehonian spirituality
 - Prayerful
 - Lives the charism
 - Would need help with the tough decisions
 - Compassion for those who suffer
 - Commitment to poor and marginalized
 4. Fr. Stephen Huffstetter
 - Well-rounded
 - Relates well to people
 - Collaborative
 - Good administrator
 - Good listener
 - Worked with the poor
 - Knows charism well from formation ministry
 - Has a D. Min
 - Operates a large institution
 - Planning skills
 - Even tempered
 - Takes care of himself
 - Adaptable
 - Good sense of presence
 - Management skills
 - Relates to younger members
 - Hard to replace in current ministry
 - Able to do strategic planning
 5. Fr. Bill Pitcavage
 - Takes care of people
 - Generous
 - Experience
 - Cares about people
 - Missionary experience
 6. Fr. Jim Brackin
 - Collaborative
 - Generous
 - Knowledgeable about Dehonian charism
 7. The following names were cited without specific qualities attributed to them: Fr. Guy Blair, Fr. Jim Schroeder

III. Election of provincial superior — After a straw vote, the assembly moved toward the election of the provincial superior.

A. Straw vote – Results of the straw (test) vote:

- Fr. Guy Blair	4
- Fr. Jim Brackin	3
- Fr. Byron Haaland	31
- Fr. Stephen Huffstetter	36
- Fr. Jack Kurps	17
- Fr. Ed Kilianski	37
- Fr. Terry Langley	1
- Fr. Zbigniew Morawiec	1
- Fr. Quang Nguyen	1
- Fr. Bill Pitcavage	12
- Fr. Jim Schroeder	3
- Fr. Yvon Sheehy	2
- Fr. David Szatkowski	1
- Fr. Bob Tucker	1
- Fr. Jim Walters	2

B. Canonical election

1. First canonical vote:

- Fr. Jim Brackin:	1
- Fr. Byron Haaland:	14
- Fr. Stephen Huffstetter:	28
- Fr. Ed Kilianski:	27
- Fr. Jack Kurps:	7
- Fr. Bill Pitcavage:	2

2. Second canonical vote:

- Fr. Jim Brackin:	1
- Fr. Byron Haaland:	8
- Fr. Stephen Huffstetter:	37
- Fr. Ed Kilianski:	31
- Fr. Jack Kurps:	2

3. Third canonical vote:

- Fr. Byron Haaland:	3
- Fr. Stephen Huffstetter:	41
- Fr. Ed Kilianski:	33
- Fr. Jack Kurps:	2

4. Fourth canonical vote:

- Fr. Byron Haaland:	2
- Fr. Stephen Huffstetter:	45
- Fr. Ed Kilianski:	32

Fr. Huffstetter was elected as provincial superior on the fourth canonical vote.

C. Fr. Huffstetter — Fr. Huffstetter addressed the assembly. He thanked SCJs for their vote of confidence and urged the membership to work together with him and the rest of the administration to face the future. Asked to do so by the moderator, Fr. Huffstetter shared his vocation story, noting that he began with the SCJs when he was 14 so feels as though he was raised by them. Many of his years of ministry before and after ordination have been in South Dakota. It will be difficult to leave St. Joseph's Indian School but he said that he believes that it is important to always be open to what one is called to do.

Asked to speak of his strengths and weaknesses he said that he is a good listener and is good at diffusing conflict. He has pastoral skills but anticipates needing help when dealing with some of the more challenging situations that a provincial superior faces.

IV. Election of first provincial councilor

A. Table activity: qualities needed on council — SCJs were asked to discuss the qualities needed on the Provincial Council to assist and/or complement Fr. Huffstetter in leadership. Qualities identified:

- Administrative skills
- Spiritual
- Experience
- Youth
- Some continuity from previous administration
- Visionary
- Out-of-the-box thinking
- Process-oriented
- Psychological or counseling background
- People with whom Fr. Huffstetter can work well
- Able to speak his mind freely
- Conciliatory
- Inventive, creative
- Deals with limitations
- Interprets signs of the times
- Understanding of charism
- Vocation-oriented
- Result-oriented
- Able to deal with confrontation
- International experience, understanding
- Open to collaboration with lay leadership
- Able to be in tune with and empower youth
- Welcomes wisdom of elders
- Able to deal with people's brokenness
- Able to look at where province is going
- Pastoral
- Charismatic
- Bridge builder
- Approachable
- Reconciler
- Continuity needed, but also new blood
- Collaborative
- Someone who can give voice to the younger members, not just be a token representative

B. Canonical election for first provincial councilor — Fr. Ed Kilianski was elected on the first canonical vote. Results were as follows:

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| - Fr. Ed Kilianski: | 60 |
| - Fr. Byron Haaland: | 3 |
| - Fr. Jack Kurps: | 5 |
| - Br. Duane Lemke: | 2 |
| - Fr. Christianus Hendrik | 2 |
| - Fr. Greg Schill: | 2 |
| - Fr. Jim Brackin | 1 |
| - Fr. Zbigniew Morawiec: | 1 |
| - Fr. Bill Pitcavage: | 1 |
| - Fr. Jim Schroeder: | 1 |
| - Fr. Yvon Sheehy: | 1 |

V. Test vote — In preparation for the next day's elections, the assembly took a test vote to surface names. The results of that test vote were distributed by email and posted in common areas for SCJs to review prior to Thursday.

VI. Eucharist — The day ended with Eucharist.

Thursday, June 6

I. Morning prayer

II. Opening session

- A. Announcements — Among the morning announcements was information from Fr. Cassidy regarding advancements in formation. Br. Clay Diaz and Frater Joseph Vu were approved by the Provincial Council for vow renewals; Juan Carlos Rojas Castañeda and James Nguyen (novices) were approved for first vows; and Justin Krenke was approved for entrance to the novitiate.

Fr. Terry Langley read a letter from Fr. José Ornelas Carvalho, superior general, congratulating Fr. Huffstetter on his election as provincial superior.

- B. Review — Fr. McKenna reviewed the discussions of the previous days. Among the concerns raised by the membership in their reflections:

- There was an attempt to hire a Justice and Peace director but the position is still open.
- The young of the province need to be empowered.
- There needs to be a clear articulation of the vision of the province.
- There is a lack of enthusiasm in many.
- Past hurts need to be resolved.
- Lack of follow-through on decisions.
- There needs to be a follow-up or continuation of the process begun in St. Louis.
- Vocations.
- How does the community maintain the vocations of those who do come to it?
- Key positions — people need to be prepared to take over key positions in the province.
- New ministry, new life is needed.
- There is a need for spiritual renewal and a retrieval of core values.
- Need to call together those under 67 to dialogue.
- More needs to be done to reach out to the laity.
- Need a six-year strategic plan.
- Need a planning process to move toward the future.

- C. Table activity: review and look toward future — Before continuing in the voting process SCJs reflected on previous discussions, the test vote of the previous day, and the qualities that Fr. Huffstetter and Fr. Kilianski bring to leadership. In light of these reflections, SCJs surfaced qualities needed for leadership at this time. Comments, paraphrased:

- Bridge builder.
- Pastoral.
- Creativity.
- Open to ecological concerns.
- Concern for the rights of workers.
- Able to focus beyond needs of self, and/or self interests.
- Able to reach out to youth (young SCJs and young people in general).
- Able to look at community in new light.
- Able to resolve conflicts.
- Courage to let go of old ways and embrace new.
- Wisdom.
- Able to engage province and encourage province to engage with administration.
- Energy.
- Process oriented.
- Able to think outside the box.

- Be at peace with trying new ideas that might not work.
- Global vision.
- Organizational skills.
- Financial sense.
- Strong enough to challenge peers.
- Able to grieve past and move forward.
- Are we open to looking at those who have not received a lot of votes?
- Risk taker.
- Collaborative.
- Teamwork oriented.
- International experience.
- International background/origin.

III. Canonical elections

A. Canonical election for second provincial councilor

1. First canonical vote:

- Fr. Byron Haaland:	23
- Fr. Jack Kurps:	15
- Fr. Bill Pitcavage:	9
- Fr. Christianus Hendrik:	4
- Br. Duane Lemke:	4
- Fr. Zbigniew Morawiec:	2
- Fr. Guy Blair:	3
- Fr. Greg Schill:	2
- Fr. Bob Tucker:	2
- Fr. Yvon Sheehy:	2
- Fr. Quang Nguyen:	2
- Fr. Charles Brown:	2
- Dn. David Nagel:	1
- Fr. Jim Brackin:	1
- Fr. Anthony Kluckman:	1
- Br. Frank Snider:	1

2. Second canonical vote:

- Fr. Byron Haaland:	42
- Fr. Jack Kurps:	10
- Fr. Bill Pitcavage:	5
- Fr. Quang Nguyen:	4
- Fr. Christianus Hendrik:	3
- Br. Duane Lemke:	2
- Fr. Charles Brown:	2
- Fr. Zbigniew Morawiec:	1
- Fr. Guy Blair:	1
- Fr. Yvon Sheehy:	1
- Fr. Greg Schill:	1
- Fr. Bob Tucker:	1
- Fr. Anthony Kluckman:	1

Fr. Byron Haaland was elected as second provincial councilor.

B. Canonical election for third provincial councilor — After a test vote the membership moved to a canonical vote for the third councilor.

1. First canonical vote:

- Fr. Jack Kurps:	27
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- Fr. Bill Pitcavage:	19
- Br. Duane Lemke:	12
- Fr. Christianus Hendrik:	5
- Fr. Charles Brown:	4
- Fr. Guy Blair:	3
- Fr. Quang Nguyen:	2
- Fr. Bob Tucker:	1

2. An invalid vote took place.

3. Second canonical vote:

- Fr. Jack Kurps:	38
- Fr. Bill Pitcavage:	21
- Br. Duane Lemke:	5
- Fr. Christianus Hendrik:	5
- Fr. Charles Brown:	2
- Fr. Bob Tucker:	2
- Fr. Guy Blair:	1

Fr. Jack Kurps was elected as third provincial councilor.

C. Canonical election for fourth provincial councilor — The membership discussed qualities needed to fill out the council following the election of the provincial superior and first three councilors. Qualities noted: a need for “fresh blood,” internationality, financial knowledge and/or concern, a connection with the young of the province and youth in general, formation sense and able to read the signs of the times. Some of the names suggested for consideration: Fr. Quang Nguyen, Fr. Greg Schill, Br. Duane Lemke, Fr. Christianus Hendrik, Fr. David Szatkowski, Fr. Patrick Lloyd and Fr. Guy Blair.

After a “sounding” and a test vote the membership moved to a canonical vote for the fourth councilor.

Br. Duane Lemke was elected as the fourth provincial councilor on the first canonical vote. The results:

- Br. Duane Lemke:	43
- Fr. Greg Schill:	10
- Fr. Christianus Hendrik:	9
- Fr. Quang Nguyen	7
- Fr. Bill Pitcavage:	1
- Fr. Bob Tucker:	1
- Fr. Jim Schroeder:	1
- Fr. Guy Blair:	1

D. Canonical election for fifth provincial councilor — After holding a test vote, the membership moved to a canonical election for the fifth councilor.

1. First canonical vote:

- Fr. Christianus Hendrik:	24
- Fr. Quang Nguyen:	18
- Fr. Greg Schill:	17
- Fr. Guy Blair:	7
- Fr. Bill Pitcavage:	5
- Fr. David Szatkowski:	2

2. Second canonical vote:

- Fr. Christianus Hendrik:	32
- Fr. Quang Nguyen:	18
- Fr. Greg Schill:	16
- Fr. Guy Blair:	4

-	Fr. Bill Pitcavage:	2
-	Fr. David Szatkowski:	1

3.	Third canonical vote:	
-	Fr. Christianus Hendrik:	41
-	Fr. Quang Nguyen:	18
-	Fr. Greg Schill:	9
-	Fr. Guy Blair:	3
-	Fr. Bill Pitcavage:	1
-	Fr. David Szatkowski:	1

Fr. Christianus Hendrik was elected as the fifth provincial councilor.

IV. Conclusion of working sessions

- A. New administration — Members of the new administration stood before the assembly and were invited to speak briefly. After, they were blessed by those present.
 - B. Evaluation — The membership was encouraged to fill out evaluation forms regarding the assembly. Such information is helpful for planning future gatherings.
 - C. Moderator's final words — Fr. McKenna thanked SCJs for their participation. He expressed his appreciation for being a part of the election process.
- IV. Closing Eucharist — Fr. Tom Cassidy was the main celebrant of the closing liturgy. During it, he thanked all who helped to organize the assembly, as well all those who participated in it.

CALENDAR

- September 4-5: Provincial Council meeting
September 2-21: Fr. General's visitation to North America (schedule is posted in the Members section of the province website and in the right column of the e-mail version of the Fridge Notes).
September 23: Province Jubilee Celebrations
September 24-27: North American Conference, Hales Corners
October 23-24: Provincial Council meeting
November 4-9: Major superiors meeting, Rome
November 28-29: Provincial Council meeting
December 18-19: Provincial Council meeting

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- February 5-6: Provincial Council meeting
March 19-20: Provincial Council meeting
May 14-15: Provincial Council meeting
July 7-11: Provincial Chapter

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NECROLOGY

FR. JOSÉ IGNACIO SAEZ LÓPEZ, a member of the Spanish Province, died June 27. He was born in 1942, professed in 1960 and ordained in 1967.

BR. JOZEF SLENTER, a member of the Dutch-Flemish Confederation, died June 27. He was born in 1927 and ordained in 1955.

CARDINAL STANISLAUS NAGY, a Polish SCJ who was a friend and advisor to Blessed John Paul II, died June 5. He was 91, made first profession in 1938 and was ordained a priest in 1945.

FR. EUFRASIO CLERICI, a member of the Argentine Province, District of Uruguay, died June 9. He was born in 1945, professed in 1964 and ordained in 1973.

FR. BATTISTA ZUCCHINALI, a member of the North Italian Province, died May 25. He was born in 1933, professed in 1951 and ordained in 1960.

FR. JOSÉ GIL ORMONDE COELHO, a member of the Portuguese Province, died May 31. He was born in 1943, professed in 1969 and ordained in 1977.

FR. BATTISTA ZUCCHINALI, a member of the North Italian Province, died May 25. He was born in 1933, professed in 1951 and ordained in 1960.