

OLM SENIOR GEMS GENERAL MEETING 7/9/08

Meeting called to order at 1:08PM by President, Lou Kearney. Lorraine Maes offered the opening prayer. Vice President, Roger Raslavsky advised current membership is 86. He welcomed two guests, Rosita Serrano & Tom Campion. Roger reminded that GEM membership dues of \$15.00 for the fiscal year 8/31/08 – 8/31/09 are now payable. Members 85 years & better are free. As we have no entertainment chairperson, Roger requested members sign up to be responsible for entertainment for one meeting a year. A sign up sheet was circulated.

Roland Vercillo announced the proposed slate of officers for the coming year as follows: President, Lou Kearney; Vice President, Roger Raslavsky; Treasurer, Mary Houdek; Secretary, Lois Parod. Other nominations are welcomed. Contact Roland with any other nominations. Roland then spoke of the Senior Expo, 9/3/08 at Drury Lane in Oak Brook. \$20.00 covers entrance fee to the Expo plus a 1.:30PM performance of “Boys from Syracuse”. Members attending will carpool from the church parking lot at approximately 9:30AM. The GEMS will again sponsor the ‘Turkey Trot’ on 11/1/08. It was well received as a parish event last year. Roland also reminded those attending the White Pines Theatre on 8/20, will leave from the church parking lot at 9:30AM sharp.

Treasurer, Mary Lou Higley reported our current balance is \$2,467.59.

Sunshine Chair, Dee Doerr reported as follows: July birthdays have been previously reported. August birthdays are as follows: Franes Cruse – 8/1; Roland Vercillo – 8/4; Nancy Bejger – 8/8; Mary Barrett – 8/15; Loouise Easton – 8/19; Gary Christensen – 8/19; Farther Hugh Fullmer – 8/20; Gary Bullinger – 8/21. Get Well cards sent to Paul Fullmer, brother of Fr. Fullmer & to Louise Walski.

Mary Houdek advised ‘movie afternoons’ the last week of each month will be changed from Thursday to Tuesday. Mary can be contacted for further information.

Nancy Gall spoke of our recent ‘Game Night’. This was a real fun event & those attending had a great time. In the future, this will be held once a year in June. Various card games are played & enjoyed.

Our speaker, Rob Anderson, gave us food for thought with 'The Attitude of Gratitude'.

During our delicious birthday cake celebration, Cecilia Raslavsky entertained us with 'guess who this is' baby pictures. It was much fun & we actually guessed a few of them right! A birthday gift exchange followed. A reminder, we will have a 'freebee' table at future meetings. You may bring something you no longer need however, if it is not taken you must take it home with you.

Split-the-Pot was won as follows: \$5.00 – Joanne Whetter; \$10.00 – Marilyn Larkin; \$15.00 – Florence Carter.

Meeting adjourned at 1:40PM with prayer by Fr. Hugh.

Respectfully submitted, Lois Parod, Secretary