

The Tom's Moms Club
St. Thomas High School
4500 Memorial Drive
Houston, Texas 77007

Welcome Tea Minutes

Meeting Date: Sunday, October 14, 2007
Meeting Location: Mass at St. Thomas Chapel, 2:00 p.m. (Father Belish), Tea and Meeting to follow at Mary Moody Northern

Minutes:

Mary Seiter, Tom's Moms President, opened meeting by welcoming all and opening the following items:

- Nancy Daniel, Secretary, read the hi-lights from the Tom's Moms President's Letter which discussed previous meetings activities.
- Sharon Sporar, Treasurer, gave the current Treasurer's report. The bank balance is \$1938.88, expenses 9/06 through 4/07 are \$1050.84 and contributions and gifts are \$2,596.24.
- Mary Seiter took a vote whether to the club should be a sponsor of the St. Thomas golf event. It was passed.
- An overview was given of the events that Tom's Moms host each year by Mary. Our next meeting is January 19, 2008.
- Due to postage costs, continued efforts are made to improve email contact list. A decision was made that only current Tom's Moms Club members will have invitations sent. The thought is that if someone wants to attend that is not a current member they can contact St. Thomas and per our website all events are published. This will save a tremendous amount on postage.
- Father Schwenzer gave the president's report. It outlined enrollment, student ethnicity and student religion. The tuition costs this year are \$10,200 plus \$300 registration fee. The actual cost per student is \$12,023 which means students are being subsidized \$1500. There are 185 recipients of financial aid this year which is 27% of the student population. Some events scheduled are the Scholarship Breakfast, School Renovation and Repairs, Strategic Planning and a Basilian Tradition Breakfast.
- In lieu of Father Huber's absence, Father Schwenzer the gave the Principal's report.. Enrollment for 9th grade is 201, 10th grade is 185, 11th grade is 155 and 12th grade is 139. Total enrollment for this year is 680. Various other topics were hi-lighted such as a letter on STH spirit from the Dean of Students of Antonian, Mr. Carl Miron.
- Mary thanked Father Belish for the mass and especially his message of "that God speaks to us through those close to us – even husbands!
- Father Galeans is retired but in process of training new replacement. Father Galeans is still involved in monitoring the funerals of alumnus.
- Mary let everyone know she has a son serving in Iraq that is soon to return and asked those that prayed for his son, please attend a party she is giving for him on Sunday, October 28th. It will be held from 12:00 till? and it is located at 10623 Crosby-Lynchburg Road, Crosby, Texas
- Mary Anne Harmer told everyone about the Galveston Historical Home Tours and coming events at the Museum of Fine Arts and the Natural Science Museum. Anyone interested in attending any of these events with some Tom's Moms can call Mary Anne at 281-444-7880.
- Door prizes were awarded by Mary Seiter and Father Belish.

Respectively submitted,

Nancy Daniel
Secretary