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# SERRA CLUB OF DAVENPORT

SEPTEMBER 2016

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *To foster and affirm vocations to the Ministerial Priesthood and vowed religious life in the USA and through this ministry, further our members' common Catholic faith.*

## LEADERSHIP

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### *Letter from Bill Barrett, President*

Greetings!

Summer is over and we've had a great summer gathering. We had a nice turnout and were able to meet one of our new seminarians and give thanks to all priests, sisters, and deacons who were able to attend. We are looking forward to our Thanksgiving gathering at the Outing Club Nov. 18th. Information will be coming soon.

With school back in session please be careful when out and about. Also it gives us an opportunity to meet new students and encourage them in their studies and appreciation for the opportunities God has given them. If you have the opportunity encourage them to consider serving the best boss ever, Our Lord. Thank you for your vocations.

Always go Forward, Never look back.

Bill Barrett  
President, Serra Club of Davenport

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### *Letter from Fr. Thom Hennen, Director of Vocations*

Dear Serrans,

The academic year has begun and the seminarians are back to school (or soon will be). As usual, the summer seemed to fly by. We had a larger than usual number of seminarians who had summer parish internships and two that helped out with our second year of the Totus Tuus program. From all accounts, it seemed to be a fruitful summer, both for the seminarians and for those they served.

As the fall approaches I look forward to cooler weather and to getting back into more of a daily rhythm, even if it is a little fast paced. Also, it won't be long before our November gathering. You will recall that this started as an annual Christmas gathering of the Serra Club, priests, religious and seminarians. A few years ago we moved it to November, hoping to increase attendance by moving it out of the always busy holiday season. This year we are "re-branding" it as a "Vocations Appreciation Gala" and will be holding it at the Outing Club. I think it will be a great event and I hope to see many of you there. As always, keep praying for our seminarians and for those discerning. Thanks for all you do.

God bless,  
Fr. Thom

## FIRST FRIDAY MASS - SEPT. 2, 2016

Rosary for our Bishop's intentions & Serra Club's prayers: 6:40 a.m.  
Leader of the Rosary:  
John Stratman

Mass: 7:00 a.m.  
Celebrant: Bishop Martin Amos  
Reader: Peg Beaudry

## **CATHOLIC MESSENGER NEWS**

- Sister makes final profession: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/08/god-made-it-easy-to-see-where-i-am-meant-to-be/>
- Muscatine KCs adopt seminarians, postulants: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/08/muscatine-kcs-adopt-seminarians-postulants/>
- ICC updates on voting, school choice, minimum wage issues: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/08/icc-updates-on-voting-school-choice-minimum-wage-issues/>
- Pilgrims prepare for canonization <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/08/pilgrims-prepare-for-mother-teresas-canonization/>
- Midwest youths get it done in Just 5 Days: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/07/midwestern-youths-get-it-done-in-just5days/>
- Memorial dedicated to former Welton parish: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/07/memorial-dedicated-at-former-welton-parish/>
- Mass appeal at the university: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/08/mass-appeal-university-ministers-reflect-on-evolution-of-campus-ministry/>
- Black and White Gala Review: <http://www.catholicmessenger.net/2016/08/black-and-white-gala-a-celebration-of-life/>

## **ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES - AUGUST**

Bill Meyer, 4;  
Ed O'Melia, 4;  
Tim Regan, 5;  
Bob Striegel, 6;  
Greg Steckel, 8;

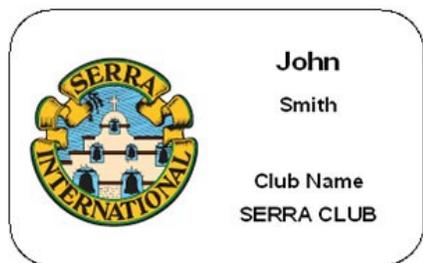
Chris Young, 13;  
Kevin Anstey, 16;  
Walter Helms, 17;  
Tony Herold, 19;  
Denny Martin, 19;  
Tom Spiegel, 21;

Bob Spiegel, 23;  
Bob Busher, 23;  
Jim Betzen, 24;  
John Hynes, 26;  
Joseph Phung Van Phung, 30

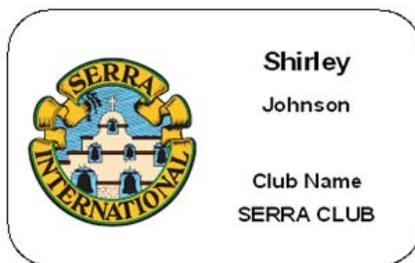
## **NAME BADGES AVAILABLE THROUGH SERRA STORE**

For those who would like to share their Serra membership through a name badge, these are available through the Serra Store. Here is the link: <https://www.serrastore.org/store/product/SINB-1> These badges are available for \$10 each, plus shipping and handling. The website walks you through entering your

names, up to nine per order. They are available with either a magnetic clasp or a pin clasp, shown on the right.



Magnetic Clasp



Pin/Clip Clasp

Sometimes there can be a high demand in these name tags, so if you are interested, ordering sooner rather than later would be a good idea. While you're there, check out the other amazing products in the Serra Store!

### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **Business Meeting**

September 20, St. Vincent's, 7PM

### **Vocations Gala - November 18, 2106**

Mass and Dinner at the Outing Club

RSVP to [vocations@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@davenportdiocese.org) or 563-888-4378