

C O M P O S I T E   R E P O R T

on questionnaire-survey circulated among the guest-priests at

Via Coeli Monastery

Feb. 10, 1967

Thirty priests responded to the questionnaire-survey; of these, nineteen made additional written comment as provided for in each individual category. Where a consensus of at least one-third of those responding appeared in the written commentary, the matter was considered of sufficient importance to be included in this report, and discussed at the general meeting intended to cover the report.

Where commentary expressed the opinion of a single individual, or only a few, the matter was not considered important enough for inclusion in this general report or for discussion at the general meeting.

However, some of these individual comments were noteworthy, and are being acted upon by the Superior and staff of Via Coeli.

THIS REPORT IS INTENDED TO SHOW THOSE AREAS OF BROAD CONSENSUS EXISTING AMONG OUR GUEST-PRIESTS, AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR RESPONSE TO THIS QUESTIONNAIRE-SURVEY.

Via Coeli Monastery  
Feb. 18, 1967

SERVANTS -2506

SALAZAR

A - FOOD

1. Quality of Food - POOR = 1 GOOD = 13 VERY GOOD = 15
2. Preparation of meals - POOR = 2 GOOD = 13 VERY GOOD = 13
3. Cleanliness of kitchen and dining room facilities - POOR = 3 GOOD = 12 VERY GOOD = 14

additional comment:

NO CONSENSUS COMMENT

B - SHELTER

1. General upkeep of house - POOR = 4 GOOD = 13 VERY GOOD = 10
2. Maintenance and repair of rooms - POOR = 9 GOOD = 14 VERY GOOD = 5
3. Care of grounds and property - POOR = 4 GOOD = 14 VERY GOOD = 10
4. Cleaning and laundering facilities - POOR = 6 GOOD = 14 VERY GOOD = 8

additional comment:

SOME ROOMS ARE IN VERY POOR CONDITION

SOME ROOMS ARE POORLY FURNISHED

C - MEDICAL

1. Physical examination - POOR = 1 GOOD = 10 VERY GOOD = 12
2. Monthly visit by house physician - POOR = 3 GOOD = 10 VERY GOOD = 9
3. Operation of Seiter's clinics - POOR = 0 GOOD = 6 VERY GOOD = 20
4. Infirmary care - POOR = 1 GOOD = 6 VERY GOOD = 8
5. Availability of doctors (Albuquerque) - POOR = 1 GOOD = 6 VERY GOOD = 14
6. Availability of dentists (Albuquerque) - POOR = 1 GOOD = 6 VERY GOOD = 13
7. Availability of staff psychologist - POOR = 1 GOOD = 8 VERY GOOD = 8
8. Opportunity for psychiatric counselling - POOR = 2 GOOD = 8 VERY GOOD = 8

additional comment: NO CONSENSUS COMMENT

D - SPIRITUAL LIFE

1. Opportunity for confession - POOR = 1 GOOD = 10 VERY GOOD = 18
2. Opportunity for spiritual direction - POOR = 4 GOOD = 14 VERY GOOD = 10
3. Holy Hours (private) - POOR = 2 GOOD = 11 VERY GOOD = 14
4. Daily meditations - POOR = 8 GOOD = 12 VERY GOOD = 8
5. Performance of Sacred Liturgy - POOR = 4 GOOD = 14 VERY GOOD = 11
6. Scheduled community spiritual exercises - POOR = 6 GOOD = 11 VERY GOOD = 10
7. Care and maintenance of sacristies and chapels - POOR = 1 GOOD = 8 VERY GOOD = 19

additional comment:

NO CONSENSUS COMMENT

E - INTELLECTUAL ACTIVITIES

1. Theology seminars - POOR = 2 GOOD = 11 VERY GOOD = 13
2. Language (Spanish) class - POOR = 1 GOOD = 11 VERY GOOD = 11
3. Library facilities - POOR = 9 GOOD = 11 VERY GOOD = 9
4. Music library facilities - POOR = 4 GOOD = 11 VERY GOOD = 6
5. Current periodical materials - POOR = 8 GOOD = 10 VERY GOOD = 7  
(secular and religious)
6. Addresses by outside speakers - POOR = 17 GOOD = 3 VERY GOOD = 2

additional comment:

LIBRARY FACILITIES ARE OUTDATED

MORE ADDRESSES BY OUTSIDE SPEAKERS

MORE ACCESS TO AND BETTER CONTROL OF PERIODICAL MATERIALS

F - GROUP THERAPY OPPORTUNITIES

1. AA Program - POOR = 2 GOOD = 8 VERY GOOD = 10
2. Recovery Program - POOR = 0 GOOD = 9 VERY GOOD = 13
3. General meetings for entire community at Via Coeli - POOR = 11 GOOD = 7 VERY GOOD = 2

additional comment:

SHOULD BE MORE REGULAR GENERAL MEETINGS AT VIA COELI

G - RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

In categories 1 and 2 below number indicates those using or who have used that facility

1. Indoor

Television = 25  
Movies = 22  
Bingo = 12  
Cards = 10  
Pool = 14  
Ping Pong = 14  
Darts = 8

2. Outdoor

Swimming = 14  
Softball = 10  
Basketball = 8  
Golf = 6  
Fishing = 3  
Hiking = 13  
Auto trips = 12

3. Opportunities for hobbies - POOR = 8 GOOD = 4 VERY GOOD = 4

4. Opportunities for cultural and recreational events outside the monastery - POOR = 15 GOOD = 3 VERY GOOD = 2

5. Care and maintenance of recreational facilities - POOR = 2 GOOD = 11 VERY GOOD = 6

additional comment:

THERE SHOULD BE MORE OPPORTUNITY FOR AUTO TRIPS; SIGHTSEEINGS, OUTINGS, ETC.

THERE SHOULD BE OPPORTUNITY FOR MORE CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL EVENTS OUTSIDE THE MONASTERY.

H. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Opportunities for priestly supply work - POOR = 12 GOOD = 6 VERY GOOD = 3  
2. Opportunities to be of service in and to the community (household jobs) - POOR = 2 GOOD = 11 VERY GOOD = 12

additional comment:

SHOULD BE A BETTER DISTRIBUTION OF PRIESTLY SUPPLY WORK