

District 127, Orange CA Diocese
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Wally Drazba District Governor

This is a time to say thank you. On May 19, 2014 the officers for the next Serra year will be officially installed. I have many people to thank, but in this column I will thank the three club presidents, and will leave it to them to thank those in their own clubs.

Before I thank the Serrans, there are two priests that I think we Serrans ought to extend our heartfelt thanks. First, **Fr John Money Penny**, who has fully embraced the work of the Serra clubs. He not only has supported the seminarians, but also supported us in our meager efforts. We look forward to greater cooperation between Serra and our diocesan leaders, due to the efforts of Fr John. At this time Fr John is emailing to all parishes the Serra program for "Vocation Awareness Week" which starts on May 11, "Good Shepard Sunday". We Serrans need to check our website www.serraoc.org so we can support the efforts of our parish priests. Thank you Fr John

We also owe thanks to **Msgr. Craig Cox** the rector of St John's Seminary. We have seminarians in six different seminaries, but the only one close enough to visit as a group is St John's. Msgr Cox, always the gracious host, is right there in front of the seminary entrance to greet our bus. Msgr Cox is retiring as rector and will go back to the job for which are priests are ordained, to be a parish pastor. Thank you Msgr Cox. may God bless you in your new post.

Now to our Serrans. The County Club has had the experience of **Pat Manzo** for the past two years. Pat as we know has risen through the ranks of Serra to serve on the Serra USA executive board, but when her club needed her, she did the job for two more years. The City club also had a veteran Serran as their president the last two years. **Maureen Neglia**, a past president of the City club, came back and did the job again. And last but not least **Ed Dainko**, a Serran for many years in San Bernardino, has finished his first year as president of the South club. Thank you to all of you for the support you have given to me and the seminarians of our diocese.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank another silent Serran. **Jim Wienciek**, who due to his early morning work schedule, cannot get to our meetings, nevertheless has done an important job for us. Check out our website www.serraoc.org regularly, you will see his efforts as our webmaster, thank you Jim.