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Winter at Sprout Creek Farm

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* January Death Notice from Rome

MISSION ADVANCEMENT

by Shirley Miller

We have just begun the 14th year of the mission advancement office. Every day is an experience of gratitude. We are constantly aware of the thousands of friends who support the Society's mission and the care of our elderly sisters. The end of the year gifts came in as abundantly as ever, and Anne Wiehagen and Eliza Lynn have been fully engaged in data entry and thank you letters. It is very humbling to be on the receiving end of such great generosity and fidelity to relationships.

So many of our donors write little love notes that accompany their gifts: "In gratitude for Sister….and the way she smiles and the way she reads Scripture to us; for being a mother to me when I needed one; for being a faithful friend all of these years; for being there whenever I needed her; for walking with me through times of depression; for showing me how to really care for others; for being the best teacher I ever had; for opening my eyes to the world in need; for teaching me how to pray; for allowing me to help her in her time of need…"

We can add our own thank you to all of those women and men who have touched our lives, who have loved us so deeply, cared for us so faithfully and provided for us so generously; for wholeheartedly sharing the mission; for easing the financial challenges; for praying with us and for us. Who are those people in your lives?

We have recently celebrated the feast of the Epiphany and the outpouring of gifts. We invite you to pray for all of those men and women for whom we promise to pray. The mission advancement annual report is a good reference. The report is on the RSCJ web site and hard copies have been sent to communities. If you would like one for your own prayer space, let us know, and we will send it off to you.

Ten years ago in preparation for our *In Mission for Life* campaign, we hired Jerry Naunheim, a St. Louis professional photographer and a Barat Hall alum, to travel to several part of the province to capture iconic images of RSCJ, Associates, alums, benefactors, friends and colleagues to be used for our various publications and the web site. Jerry is beginning to tour parts of the country again, beginning in San Francisco and Atherton in mid-January. He will make several other trips during the year. We are in contact with all of our various groups to arrange for these visits. We are also trying to update our RSCJ photos, so he will be taking photos of as many RSCJ as possible.

Linda Behrens, communications director for the Bicentennial Committee and an excellent photographer, will be spending several days in mid-January to mid-March photographing all of our ministries, individuals and groups here in St. Louis and St. Charles. All individuals and groups have been invited to participate. Thank you for welcoming both Jerry and Linda when they come your way.

HEALTH & WELLNESS REMINDER

by Diana Wall

As part of our Health and Wellness initiatives, we have two gentle reminders.

Insurance Needed When Leaving the Country.

It has come to our attention that some members have forgotten to inform their team member that they are going out of the country prior to doing so. As team, we respectfully request your help in informing us of your travel arrangements so that we can make sure that you have appropriate travel and medical insurance to cover you while you are out of the country. It is cost prohibitive to medivac members out of a country when a medical crisis occurs.

Debbie Vespa-Schutz, our medical benefits coordinator, is quite willing to secure the appropriate insurance for you. All she needs to know is **what country** you are planning on visiting and **when** (the actual dates of travel from __ to__). As you can appreciate, it is helpful if she has at least two weeks to make arrangements. She can be reached at: 314.880.0563 or dvespa-schutz@rscj.org

Updating Your 5 Wishes (and/or POLST) and File For Life Cards.

During several recent medical emergencies, we were unable to secure basic information about our sisters as their 5 Wishes and/or POLST (Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment) and File for Life cards were not available, either in their community and/or at the provincial house. As you can appreciate, without these forms, we are running blind as to your intent and can give only limited information on your behalf to the EMS or 911 emergency response personnel, as well as the hospital if needed. (The EMS response teams will look for your File for Life cards on your refrigerator, in your freezer and/or on the back of your front door; they should be placed in one of these locations.)

Please take the time to fill out these forms and ensure that someone knows where they are located in the community. If you live alone, please ensure that someone within your immediate region knows where you keep them, and/or send a copy to your regional team member.

Quite a few members have sent their 5 Wishes and/or POLST to the provincial house to be placed in their file for easy access in the event of an emergency. Unless this form has been completed, the EMS and hospital systems will default to doing everything necessary to sustain life. NOTE: We have now made these documents available and printable on the RSCJ ONLY side of the website. Please see the links below:

Five Wishes
POLST
File for Life

FROM THE MINISTRY OFFICE AT THE STUART CENTER

by Fran de La Chapelle

At the 2016 Chapter it was said that "We are about 2000+ RSCJ serving the Church in 41 different countries. We are sent by the Church to communicate the Love of the Heart of Jesus. In him all find their true growth as persons and the way towards reconciliation with one another. We participate in the Mission of the Church through the service of education."

In the USC Province we are 270 RSCJ. Of the 270, ten sisters are serving abroad. On the East Coast there are 93 religious, in the Canada/Central/South Region there are 83 religious and on the West Coast there are 84 RSCJ.

Of the 270, 73 are retired and are involved in prayer ministry. There are 197 RSCJ involved in full or part time active ministry.

The USC province has three sisters joining us. In January Betty Nakato from Uganda joined us to study for an MA at Maryville University; she is living with the Mason Road Community.

Also in January, Chikiro Yamamoto from the Japan Province and Ryu Young Hye (Miriam) from the Korea Chinese Province joined Min-Ah Cho in the International English Speaking Novitiate in Chicago.

In February, Luz Loila Paradesotra from Peru will be with us to learn English and have an international experience before probation. With these special friends, we will have eight international sisters living in the USC Province.

Regarding the ministry survey, 188 RSCJ responded. This was an exciting response; this number is huge. I can't thank you enough. I also want to thank the Ministry Office Advisory Committee, as they spent hours on this. They are L.A. Adams from Manhattanville College, Rosalie Shemmer from Temple University, Margie Strom and Imma De Stefanis.

On March 12 there will be a teleconference during which Imma De Stefanis and I will present the results of the ministry survey to the province. It should be very uplifting and inspiring for all of us.

"We have said yes to a particular ministry that will further the Kingdom of God… Whatever one's particular ministry is, all ministries will ultimately involve charity, the love of our sisters and brothers in our unique ministries," from "Advent/Christmas Reflections" by Robert F. Morneau.

A walking pilgrimage from Mound City to St. Charles

by Linda Behrens

The Bicentennial Committee has been contacted by Ann Sieben, a mendicant pilgrim with the Society of Servant Pilgrims in the Archdiocese of Denver. She has a life-long dedication as a pilgrim and a strong commitment to helping other pilgrims. She was approached by Jim Adams from St. Louis, who has a devotion to St. Rose Philippine Duchesne; he asked her to help him make a pilgrimage as a tribute to Philippine.

They plan to begin their pilgrimage at Sacred Heart Church in Mound City, Kansas, on Monday, April 24, 2017. Walking twelve to fifteen miles per day, they will take six days (seventy-five miles) to reach Clinton, Missouri, and then continue on the Katy Trail for the remaining 225 miles to St. Charles, Missouri. They will sleep at night wherever they can find accommodation in parishes or barns.

They should arrive on or about Sunday, May 14, at the Shrine of St. Philippine at the Academy of the Sacred Heart. Planning is underway at the school to have a pilgrim blessing when they arrive.

More information about this pilgrimage will be shared as plans are finalized. Ann and Jim are open to having other pilgrims join them along the way. Stay tuned!

A pilgrimage from St. Charles to Sugar Creek

Margaret Munch will lead a pilgrimage from St. Charles, Missouri, to Sugar Creek, Kansas, on July 17 and 18. Margaret, having made this journey countless times, will share her extensive knowledge of the history of the Society of the Sacred Heart and St. Rose Philippine Duchesne.

The group will leave St. Charles at 8 a.m., Monday, July 17, stop for lunch in the Kansas City area and arrive in St. Marys, Kansas, at approximately 2 p.m. The group will tour the town of St. Marys and visit the property where the former Sacred Heart school called the “the skyscraper of the prairie” still stands, the pay station museum and Calvary Cemetery, where seven RSCJ are buried.

After spending the night in Overland Park, the group will depart for Sacred Heart Church in Mound City, Kansas. Afterward, the group will travel to St. Philippine Duchesne Memorial Park in Centerville, Kansas. After enjoying a picnic lunch in the park, the group will return to St. Charles, around 7 p.m.

This pilgrimage, which is estimated to cost $284, begins the day after the Spirituality Forum. Information is posted on the website at rscj.org/bicentennial2018/pilgrimage-sugar-creek-kansas. For more information about the trip, contact Carol Pfitzinger, cpfitzinger@ash1818.org. or 636-946-6127 ext. 1801.



by Michelle Hogan, AC-USC

North American Conference of Associates and Religious (NACAR)/BACAR Conference, October 1, 2016, Santa Clara University

Mary Jo Mersmann from NACAR gave a report on the second CARA (Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate) report, which NACAR has just released. (The first CARA report covered 2000-2002.) Nine hundred questionnaires were sent out to major superiors of congregations in the United States and Canada. Of the 588 that were returned, 378 congregations had Associates (67% of responses). There are now 55,942 Associates and 46,182 vowed members in the United States and Canada. In 2000, there were 25,000 U.S. Associates. (Canadians were not included in the first study.) Between 2000 and 2015, the average age of Associates has increased from 61 to 68. Of the total, 67% have become Associates since the year 2000 (79% in the U.S. and 21% in Canada).

Half (50%) of all Associates are married. All Associates described the rewards of Association as: friendship with religious and Associates, deepening spirituality and social connections. Challenges: aging religious and Associates, need for religious and associate leadership, need for clear guidelines and defined roles, financial sustainability.

Ongoing formation is very important to younger Associates. They want a formal orientation program. A big issue for them is maintaining the spirituality of the community.

The question of the Associates becoming a separate legal organization ranked 4 on a scale of 1 to 10; in other words, there was great resistance to separating from the congregation. In the future, a lot of planning will have to go into the question of legal status.

To the question “How well prepared is your associate community” responses were ranked as follows:

Gatherings 50%
Communication with Associates 44%
Inviting others to join 36%
Initial associate formation 34%
Organizational leadership 22%
Planning for future 20%
Financial sustainability 13%

The NACAR Study Guide can be downloaded free from the NACAR website. Information about the Study Guide, the CARA study, and other publications is at www.nacar.org.

REGIONAL NEWS

WEST REGION

MENLO/ATHERTON

by Mary Ann Foy

After the fall regional assembly at Oakwood in late November, some of our sisters and other friends celebrated with Seattle's **Marcia O'Dea** her golden jubilee of profession.

During December, according to tradition, Oakwood enjoyed a concert by the "little violinists," a remarkable group, which entertains us annually. The youngest is barely six years old! Never a sour note, truly!

Christmastime at Oakwood is always teeming with riches. This year, **Eileen Bearss** prepared an inspiring *veillée* for the community. Mothers of students from our school and friends of Oakwood gave a lovely Christmas party, including both a luncheon and gifts for each sister. According to tradition, **Mary Kay Hunyady** made several apparitions in her Santa Claus costume! Our inspiring end-of-year day of recollection was planned and executed by **Helen Rosenthal**. Then, of course, our New Year's Eve party began at 7 p.m. on the 31st and ended on or before 9 p.m. with the elaborate midnight celebrations in Times Square in New York!

Be Mardel gave Oakwood an informative talk on Van Gogh in December, and on January 6 followed that up with the story of the Flood Mansion (first site of our school on Broadway, San Francisco). **Sis Flynn** gave us a marvelous virtual tour of the new Impressionist exhibit in our corridors. We are surrounded by art masterpieces and an education to go with them.

As usual, many guests came to what has been called "the motherhouse of the West" (Oakwood) at Christmas. Among a number of visitors this year, we welcomed **Flo Tumukunde** from Uganda, who is studying at the SAT program in Oakland, and Elisabeth le Jariel, a former resident of San Diego and dear friend from Paris. Flo and **Agnes Chimbayo** danced up the aisle with the Infant Jesus at our Christmas Liturgy, eventually placing him in his manger - to the amazement and joy of the whole congregation.

And now, we wish all our sisters, Associates and friends the joys and blessings of our Newborn King in 2017!

Helen Rosenthal made a wonderful Guided Imagery Retreat with Joan King, OP. Helen started a spirituality group with some of the mothers who made the Sacred Heart Prep Busy Persons' Retreat for parents; she has been asked to give a talk on the spirituality of St. Madeleine Sophie to the religion teachers of the primary and middle schools.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY

by Mary McGann

Sandy Schadewald and **Mary Pat White** served as directors for the Busy Persons' Retreat at Schools of the Sacred Heart, San Francisco, January 9-13. Sophia House was delighted to welcome Mary Pat for a few days before and after the retreat.

Mary Finlayson returns from her service of translation for the probation community shortly after the profession ceremony on January 22. We are happy to welcome her home, as we also welcome her sister from Canada who will visit for a few days.

Mary McGann recently visited the Kearny Street Community in Washington D.C., before attending the North American Academy of Liturgy meeting, and enjoyed conversation with **Diane Roche** and Julie **Yachtis** about outreach activities for both the Kearney Street and Sophia House communities.

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CHICAGO/LAKE FOREST

by Martha Curry

On December 21 we had a beautiful Winter Solstice celebration at the Kenmore community, prepared by **Sue Rogers,** followed by one of Sue's delicious dinners. The area *veillée* celebration was at Cornell on December 23. Starting at 11 a.m. on New Year's Eve, **Ellen Collesano, Min-Ah Cho,** and **Martha Curry** participated in a march up Michigan Avenue honoring the 700-plus homicide victims killed in Chicago in 2016. There were wooden crosses with the victims' names, pictures, date of death and age at death arranged on the pavement at the intersection of Michigan Avenue and Wacker Drive. The vast majority of those marching, including Ellen and Min-Ah, carried one of the heavy crosses, but Martha simply marched in the silent procession up Michigan Avenue. The spectators on the sidewalks, mostly shoppers in the high-end stores, watched in respectful silent as we passed.

The beginning of January brought two novices to the international novitiate community. On January 4 **Chihiro Yamamoto** arrived from Tokyo. **Ryu Young Hye,** who prefers to be called by her Christian name Miriam, arrived on the 10th from Seoul. Welcome!

GRAND COTEAU

by Margaret Caire

On December 14 Grand Coteau celebrated the 150th anniversary of the miraculous cure of Mary Wilson, postulant in the Society of the Sacred Heart, by Blessed John Berchmans, S.J. This miracle was accepted as the third miracle for his canonization in 1888. He is the patron of altar servers.

The day began with a liturgy in our gym celebrated by the Bishops of Lafayette and Shreveport, several priests from the area and a Jesuit from Poland, who came with a special relic (the heart of John Berchmans.)

Over two hundred of the greater Sacred Heart family joined the 600 faculty and students for this special liturgy and veneration of the heart of St. John Berchmans. After the liturgy, the relic was taken to the shrine for public veneration from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The RSCJ present followed the procession to the shrine.

Pope Francis granted a plenary indulgence to all who visited the shrine that day.

We are grateful to our staff, parents and alums who helped us welcome over one thousand visitors.

The Philippine Community welcomed many visitors including **Jan Dunn, Toots Villere, Sharon Karam** and **Anne Byrne. Maureen Chicoine** came to do interviews concerning the history of the Black community. **Lynne Lieux** and **Bonnie Kearney** were here for Cynthia Babineaux's funeral.

On December 22, the Philippine Community was invited to New Orleans for *veillée* and celebration with part of our extended RSCJ community and Associates. The Open House community was also invited to *veillée* in New Orleans. **Margaret** and **Ann Caire** joined them for it.

The two Grand Coteau communities celebrated New Year's together with dinner at the Cottage.

HALIFAX

by Anne Wachter

The communities of Halifax welcomed **Ama Serano-Juarez** and **Juliette Nguemta-Nakoye** for Christmas. All the RSCJ celebrated *veillée* together at Caritas Residence followed by a lovely supper and Christmas Liturgy. Christmas day saw all the RSCJ, several of the

Associates and their guests come together at Barat Residence to celebrate Christmas.

During the week of January 9-13, **Donna Dolan, Norma Heffernan** and another local spiritual director, **Beverly Musgrave,** led a Busy Persons' Retreat for our Halifax school community. Later in the month, Donna co-led the BPR for our school in Montreal. January 18-21 **Anne Wachter** was in Chicago for a meeting of the Sheridan Road Board, and she was happy to visit the noviceship also.

For those who live at Caritas, 2016 gave us fifteen funerals of Sisters of Charity and three of our own RSCJ. We appreciate the beauty of the funeral rites as never before. We ask all eighteen to ask God for as many replacements as our communities have lost. Did Abraham not bargain with God using numbers?

ST. LOUIS/ST. CHARLES

by Mary Lou Gavan

Donna Collins was invited to speak at a conference held as part of the 75th anniversary celebration of Sophia College in Mumbai. She also had the opportunity to speak about Philippine to the RSCJ communities.

Betty Nakato from Uganda arrived on January 6 to attend Maryville University. She will be in the School of Education studying for her Masters. Betty will live with the Mason Road Community in St' Louis.

Kathy McGrath and Sally Hoban made a December pilgrimage to Sugar Creek and St. Mary's, Kansas, as part of Sally's formation.

Juliet Mousseau spent the first week of January with a group of thirteen sisters from thirteen different congregations. The sisters are writing a book together, entitled "In Our Own Words: Women Religious in a Changing World." The gathering was filled with deep conversations, prayer, writing, and laughter. Look for publication information in the coming months.

BOSTON

by Gail O'Donnell

Jean Bartunek has been appointed Interim Department Head at the Carroll School of Management at Boston College. Her term will end in August 2017.

In early December, at the invitation of **Rose Quilter, Gail O'Donnell** went to the Rio Grande Valley to give an Enneagram Workshop (in Spanish!) to thirty-five leaders of the organization ARISE.

These Latina women leaders, now US citizens, many of whom had worked in the Texas farm fields in scorching heat, entered into the workshop fully with optimism, joy and celebration. Rose and the women had prepared posters and music in Spanish for each Enneagram number. We had a great time and all the women knew their number (and one another's!) by the end of the two days.

Veillée, beautifully prepared by **Jean Bartunek,** was held at 100 Cushing Street for the Boston RSCJ followed by "midnight" liturgy at Newton Country Day School.



Juliet Mousseau with a group of sisters who are writing a book together.

FAIRCHESTER and NEW YORK

by Gwendolyn Hoeffel

Christmas in Bedford

Joan Magnetti, Wickie Sheehan and **Grace Butler** welcomed many neighbors and friends to their annual Christmas party. It was the biggest turnout in many years. Everyone enjoyed seeing friends at the festive event and catching up on family news. The weather cooperated. Many RSCJ joined as well. Their neighbors also invited them to a Christmas tea party.

Immigration March – On a rainy Sunday just a week before Christmas, **Judy Garson** joined hundreds of New Yorkers who took part in a long march through busy streets in Manhattan in defense of immigrants' rights. The march was organized by the New York Immigration Coalition and co-sponsored by other groups (including the N.Y. Interfaith Immigration Coalition). Judy was happy to join a number of families and staff from LSA Family Health Service in East Harlem whom she knew from her years there. The youngest participants were in strollers! Starting from Dag Hammarskjold Plaza by the UN, the march proceeded west toward Fifth Avenue and up to Trump headquarters at 57th Street where **Gwen Hoeffel** joined the protesters. There were songs and chants along the way and flyers to give to bystanders, who seemed to be impressed and positive. The marchers were not all Hispanic; for example, there was a contingent of Koreans from Queens - more evidence that this is a multi-cultural city.

Kathy Conan and **Sheila Smith** are settling in at 120th Street. They are so happy to be joining a community as it begins its life together. **Helen O'Regan, Stephany Veluz** and **Lydia Cho** prepared for their welcome to the newly acquired house in East Harlem. **Judy Garson** and **Gwen** welcomed them to their 10th Avenue apartment in Hell's Kitchen. The snowstorm did not deter them and we had a lovely lunch together. **Fran Gimber,** who was visiting New York, came with them, an added bonus.

Joan Magnetti arranged for a sharing by speakerphone with whoever could join to respond to the letter about the new Philippine Region. It was a time to touch our roots while we try to set sail into an uncharted future. A moment of grace.

Helen O'Regan, Judy Garson and **Gwen Hoeffel** made a day trip to St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia to visit **George Anderson, SJ,** in Manresa Center. There was mutual delight in the visit. Many may remember that George was editor of *America*, a great friend of the poor and much loved by RSCJ in New York City.

Sharing Philippine at NCEA Conference in St. Louis

For sisters and associates in St. Louis: Look for emails about helping at the St. Rose Philippine Duchesne booth at the National Catholic Education Association's conference, April 18-20, 2017, at the America's Center in St. Louis. View a video about the convention here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ht5MR1-gHC0. For more information, contact Maureen Glavin at mglavin@rscj.org.

Society of the Sacred Heart 1818-2018 200 Years CROSSING FRONTIERS

Why RSCJ Marched…

by Diane Roche

In the days leading up to and following the Women's March on Washington, many Catholic women, including women religious, found themselves thinking deeply and broadly about what it means to protect and defend life. As a Religious of the Sacred Heart, and as the organizer of RSCJ presence at the DC march, I found myself in deep and heartfelt conversations with two members of the extended Sacred Heart family who were having a hard time understanding how we could participate in an event that included pro-choice groups. The genuine concern and courage that these two women demonstrated in their way of expressing their own views inspired a deep respect and affection in me, as I tried to communicate what I, and so many other teachers, RSCJ, Associates and students in the Sacred Heart family were seeing that made us feel compelled to participate.

One of the primary reasons why Sacred Heart students, alums, Associates, teachers and nuns showed up in such numbers at the Women's Marches, in the US and around the globe, is their shared commitment to social awareness, critical thinking and personal growth grounded in freedom, wisdom and faith. These values are instilled in all Sacred Heart students through formation programs based on the Goals and Criteria and through the kinds of experiential learning that bring Sacred Heart students into direct contact with those who are vulnerable and suffering.

Sacred Heart schools are deeply involved in issues such as immigration, human trafficking, refugees, environmental justice and prison reform. In their classes students and teachers respectfully explore world religions, gender based inequity in global education and the consequences of US foreign policy in countries like Uganda and Haiti. They are trained to make discerned decisions, to negotiate the grey areas in life, to come to nuanced positions and to learn to compromise for the greater good.

The decisions that have been made by this administration during the days immediately after the Women's March have confirmed that the values of compassion, fairness and respect are being replaced by brutal self-interest. Integrity, truth, freedom and nuanced decision making are all under attack as are the poor and vulnerable in our society and overseas.

In an environment such as this, protecting and defending life requires finding common ground with those who may not be our natural allies but who share most or all of our values. It also demands that we stay alert for opportunities to deepen our capacity for respectful dialog with those who see things differently from the way we do.

And that right to disagree respectfully with those in power may be one we are called to exercise frequently over the months and years ahead.

Thank you from Adba Musharrafie-Martinez

I am deeply grateful for all your love, your time and your patience.

It was an honor to meet the Provincial Team and others in St. Louis and a great pleasure to share with all of you at the meeting in Chicago; I learned more about the Sacred Heart Society and my desired future.

Thanks to the whole community of New Orleans and Grand Coteau, and especially to the Duchesne House community and Volunteers for all the love, patience and generosity each day. I have learned new things about myself, about people and your culture; I feel very fortunate to have met you all.

I had a wonderful time; I carry it in my heart.

Thank you very much.

I hug you with love.

Adba

Estoy profundamente agradecida con todas, por todo su cariño, su tiempo y su paciencia.

Fue un honor conocer al equipo provincial en St. Louis y un gran placer compartir con todas ustedes la reunión en Chicago, conocí más sobre la Sociedad del Sagrado Corazón y el futuro anhelado.

Gracias a toda la comunidad de New Orleans y en especial a Duchesne House of Voluntiers por todo el amor, paciencia y generosidad cada día. He aprendido nuevas cosas sobre mi, sobre la personas y la cultura. Me siento muy afortunada de conocerlas.

Ha sido un tiempo maravilloso las llevo en mi corazon.
Muchas Gracias.

Las abrazo con amor.

Adba.

RSCJ BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2017

January

1/01 - Maureen Chicoine
1/03 - Elaine Abels
1/03 - Mary Hagele
1/05 - Kimberly King
1/06 - Kinue Matsuzaki
1/06 - Reyna Gonzalez
1/11 - Ruth Dowd
1/12 - Arcadia Cotto
1/12 - Justine Lyons
1/16 - Margaret Kilduff
1/19 - Lolin Menendez
1/21 - Ann Taylor
1/21 - Anne Beryl Guillot
1/21 - Joan Gannon
1/24 - Maria Cimperman
1/29 - Grace Butler
1/30 - Ann Caire
1/31 - Lydia Cho



February

2/01 - Columba Yeung-Boon Kim
2/01 - Juliet Mousseau
2/01 - Margaret McDonnell
2/03 - Frances de la Chapelle
2/03 - Irma Patricia Reiss
2/05 - Uchenna Oluoha
2/06 - Nancy Finn
2/07 - Helen McCulloch
2/10 - Deanna Rose von Bargen
2/10 - Donna Collins
2/10 - Sandra Schadewald
2/12 - Jean Hunter
2/15 - Annice Callahan
2/15 - Juliana Yachtis
2/16 - Cecile Meijer
2/16 - Paula S. Gruner
2/17 - Bonnie Kearney
2/18 - Nancy Koke
2/19 - Lillian Conaghan
2/19 - Mary-Ann Bates
2/21 - Kum Soon Eum
2/21 - Mary Elizabeth Fisher
2/23 - Min-Ah Cho
2/23 - Gertrude Cosenke
2/25 - Mary Bridget Flaherty
2/25 - Pamela Neels
2/25 - Sarah Stephens
2/28 - Bunny Flick
2/28 - Mary Lou Guillory
2/28 - Mary Patricia Ryan

Please pray for…



Anne Sturges, RSCJ, who died on December 30, 2016.

Anne Byrne, RSCJ, who died on January 8, 2017.

Maggie Fisher, former RSCJ who died January 23, 2017.

THANK YOU

Thank you to each one for the very warm welcome back to the province. Your cards, emails, thoughts and prayer have made me know I am home! As I take some time of transition, I look forward to integrating back into the life of the province and seeing many of you over the next few months. Thank you!!

Kathy Conan

I want everyone to know how grateful I am for the emails, notes, assurances of prayer during this time before, during and after my brother's death. I am overwhelmed by the kindness!

Peggy McDonnell

Please know that your gracious prayers and support for my brother's last illness and death are deeply appreciated! I had hoped to answer each one who wrote to me, but a month has already passed and I have not caught up! Apologies and MANY thanks! Grateful prayers from me, my family and my brother's children and grandchildren.

Connie Dryden

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Provincial Team Calendar

Meg Causey

February
2/7-2/9: Grand Coteau Board meeting
2/10-2/12: Assembly Steering Comm. St Louis
2/15-2/19: Area Meeting (Boston)

Anne-Marie Conn

February
2/1-2/11: Canada
2/2: Canadian Investment Meeting
2/3: SHSM (Sacred Heart School of Montreal) Gala
2/4: Halifax
2/12-2/15: Chicago Visit
2/15-2/18: St Louis visit
2/19: Halifax
2/22: SHSH Facilities Meeting and Team Call
2/27: SHSH Board Meeting

Mary Finlayson

February
2/1-2/5: Berkeley
2/6-2/15: St. Louis
(10-12: Assembly Steering Committee)
2/16-2/23: Chicago
(17-19: Initial Formation Team Meeting)
2/24-2/28: Berkeley

Sheila Hammond

February
2/1-2/4: Montreal
2/4-2/7: Chicago
2/12-2/20: RETREAT

Diana Wall

February
2/1-2/4: Montreal
2/5-2/28: St. Louis