MIDWEST PROVINCE NEWS ITEMS

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To assist Br. Joseph Fox, superior/director of the Holy Cross Brothers Center, while he undergoes treatment for health problems, Br. William Geenen, provincial, has asked Br. Raymond Papenfuss to take on the duties of interim acting superior/director of the Brothers Center. Enquiries and requests regarding the Center should for the present be directed to him.

Br. Joseph remains the canonical superior, with Br. Rex Hennel assistant as before.

Br. John May reminds province members intending to participate on a chapter committee to return the *Chapter Committee Selection Form* by the end of February. In completing the form, please remember to sign your name. John reports that five forms have been received without the respondent's name.

Br. David Naples of St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, sent a notice that, effective next academic year, he has been promoted to associate professor of mathematics at St. Edward's. The promotion is based on "performance in the areas of teaching excellence, student advising, university responsibility, professional development, and faculty relations." David began teaching at St. Ed's in 1990. Congratulations to David on his promotion and all that it both acknowledges and implies.

Two changes in address should be noted for the Midwest directory. **Br. Augustus Patin** has moved from the Holy Cross Brothers Center to Dujarie House, and **Br. Paul Kelly** has finished his renewal course at Sangre de Cristo in New Mexico and has established residence at Holy Cross High School, River Grove. He works at Holy Trinity High School in Chicago.

Another directory change came from **Br. Thomas Cunningham.** He notes that his telephone area code (home) in California is 562. The new area code became effective on January 25.

Tom is co-facilitator of an HIV/AIDS Support Group in California. The group serves parishioners and their families and friends, both infected or affected by HIV/AIDS. The program began on January 9. Its theme during the eight weeks it lasts is meant to focus on *spirituality and prayer as a resource for coping and healing*.

Br. Daniel Kane of Gilmour Academy sent the following announcement.

"Augsburg Fortress Publishers of Minneapolis has just released *More Selectable Delectables* by Daniel Q. Kane, C.S.C., a second book of reflective hymntune settings for piano. A first book, *Selectable Delectables*, was published in 1995, and contains seven tunes. The recent release contains ten titles, including settings of "Amazing Grace," "Day Is Done," "Gift of Finest Wheat," "Londonderry Air," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and "Were You There?"

The notice describes Dan as a Holy Cross brother headquartered at Notre Dame. He is Choral Director at Gilmour Academy, as well as Music Director, Pianist and Organist of Our Lady Chapel at Gilmour. Besides being religious superior of the brothers at Gilmour, he manages Health Services at the school and is a home health care nurse with the Benjamin Rose

Institute. As a composer and arranger, Dan has also been published by Abingdon Press of Nashville.

In a January 18 article, "It Can Be Arranged," by staff writer **Todd Van Campen** of the *News-Herald*, the columnist notes that Dan "creates in his own way--by breathing new life into old tunes," and says that the arrangements are intended to be used in worship services. Dan explains that after the Church abandoned the Latin mass in favor of English in 1970, "great choral arrangements penned in Latin in centuries past were also pushed aside," and although, according to Van Campen, music quality has improved over the last decade, Dan believes that "some of the stuff we inherited contains trite, simplistic tunes and words.... The baby went out with the bath water...and we've been recovering ever since."

Br. Charles Borromeo Beck of Le Mans Academy is recuperating at Dujarie House from knee replacement surgery he underwent in late January at a hospital in LaPorte, Indiana. **Br. Joseph Fox** had surgery for the removal of a herniated disk on Monday, January 27, and is also recuperating at Dujarie House.

In the January 1997 issue of *Reflections*, the Siena Heights College alumni/staff/studen magazine, **Br. Frank Rotsaert** was recognized for his work as writer of *The Write Stuff: the Siena Heights College Writing Manual*. The style book was the result of an editorial committed decision to lay out some of the standard expectations for written work in the various discipline at the Adrian, Michigan, college.

Frank, an assistant professor of English, was also part of the Siena Heights faculty team that captured the 8th Annual Lenawee County Corporate Spelling Bee trophy last September.

On Tuesday, January 28, workers began to place roof trusses in position on the assisted living center, now under construction adjacent to Dujarie House. The winter weather has been consistently challenging factor, according to **Br. John May**, Director of Planning, but has not caused significant delays or any revision of the scheduled completion of the facility by Thanksgiving time.

Br. Lawrence Stewart of Our Lady of Holy Cross College in New Orleans, is laying plans to participate in an organized cross-country bicycle tour this summer as part of his celebration of the 40th anniversary of his first profession. Larry has been involved in ambitious but less extensive tours before, and looks forward to the exhilaration and challenge of the tour.

Br. Frank Drury and Ms. Molleen Pust attended the 10th annual meeting of the National Catholic Conference of Airport Chaplains in Winter Park, Florida, from January 21-27. Frank is a regular volunteer at the Sarasota airport Friendship Center, an outreach of the Senior Friendship Centers, Inc. Molleen is a charter member of the Senior Friendship Centers board directors and an active volunteer in planning and development since 1973.

In its meetings, the N.C.C.A.C. focuses on how best to respond to an ever expanding ministry to the traveling public. Volunteers at the Sarasota airport Friendship Center perform multiple services for persons arriving, leaving or in transit.