MIDWEST PROVINCE NEWS ITEMS

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Enclosed with this *Midwest Province News Items* is a description of **The Cross of Hope Award**, approved recently by the provincial council for use within the province. **Br. William Geenen**, provincial, welcomes whatever comments or suggestions province members have regarding any aspect of this award.

The award was bestowed this year, in collaboration with Holy Cross College, on Mr. Arthur Decio, outgoing chairman of the College Board of Trustees, during the graduation ceremony on May 11.

Br. David Naples of St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, has been awarded a grant by the university in the amount of \$2,500 for a summer technology institute.

The ultimate goal of the institute is to assist Br. David in putting his differential equations course on the internet via the World Wide Web through a series of interactive tutorials. These tutorials, Br. David says, will allow independent study and will cut down the need for regularly scheduled lectures.

Brothers in the Midwest Province who are heading into advanced studies, currently in advanced studies, or teaching in higher education but not yet tenured are invited to attend the annual advanced studies meeting at Deer Park, Maryland.

The meeting will be held from Tuesday evening, August 6, to Saturday morning, August 10. Fr. James Lackenmier C.S.C., president of King's College, Wilkes-Barre, will be the principal speaker.

Those interested should contact **Fr. Mark Thesing, C.S.C.**, at 211 McCauley St., Chapel Hill, NC 27516-2721 for further information.

Celebrant at the mass preceding the dedication of the new wing and renovations at Dujarie House on Sunday, October 6, will be **Most Rev. Joseph R. Crowley**, retired auxiliary bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend. Bishop Crowley will be substituting for **Bishop John M. D'Arcy**, ordinary of the diocese, whose schedule prevents his being present personally at the dedication.

On May 30 Dujarie House hosted a grand celebration in honor of the 100th birthday of **Br. Jacob Eppley**. A Eucharistic liturgy, reception and dinner were attended by many Holy Cross religious in the Notre Dame area.

Br. Jacob had earlier marked his birthday on May 11 in Austin, Texas, among his confreres in the South-West Province.

On Saturday, May 18, the Chapter Planning Committee met at the provincial house to finalize the organization of the pre-chapter gathering to be held this June 21-22 at the Brothers Center and to lay further plans for the provincial chapter scheduled for next year on the campus at Notre Dame. Br. David Martin is chairman of the planning group and Br. Donald Gibbs liaison with the provincial council. A letter was sent to the province membership to update them

on preparations both for the June 21-22 meeting this year and the chapter next year.

If anyone planning to attend the June 21-22 meeting still requires accommodations, contact Br. Donald Gibbs immediately. Those who submitted their requests earlier should by now have received postcard confirmation of where they will be housed.

With the adoption of the new and expanded format and purpose of *Brothers*, the official publication of the Midwest Province, and of the intentionally simple and limited *Midwest Province News Items*, a forum for sharing opinion or other forms of writing among province members has been lost that had been available through the previous publication format.

The provincial office is open to the periodic publication of such writing if enough interest is shown by potential authors. Manuscripts of brief articles, book reviews, poetry, etc., may be submitted at any time to **Br. Philip Armstrong**. When and if there is enough material submitted to justify putting together a small publication, it will be produced and distributed.

Br. Paul Kelly is stepping down as president of Archbishop Hoban High School, Akron, Ohio, as of the end of the 1995-1996 academic year. He plans to take some time for personal renewal by participating in the Sangre de Cristo program near Santa Fe, New Mexico, during the fall semester.

The gratitude of the province goes to Paul for his availability and for his inspirational leadership during the five years he has been president at Archbishop Hoban.

Following an extensive search, Archbishop Hoban High School has announced that Br. Kenneth Haders has been engaged as president of the school beginning with the 1996-1997 school year.

After leaving Holy Trinity High School in Chicago where he most recently had been principal, Ken spent the past year in study and renewal at Berkeley, California.

Thanks to Ken for again responding to the needs of our province institutions and for bringing his considerable talents to the Archbishop Hoban administrative scene.

These Midwest Province News Items will be published during July and August only if adequate material is made available. You are reminded to submit items of interest and information about yourself or others to **Br. Donald Gibbs** or **Br. Philip Armstrong** at the provincial office.