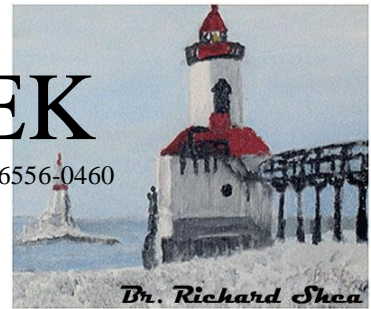


# MIDWEST – MIDWEEK

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Jun 8, 2011



## Holy Cross Holds 30<sup>th</sup> History Conference in Ohio

Ursuline College in Pepper Pike, Ohio, was the site of the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Holy Cross History Conference held June 2-5. There were 25 Holy Cross Priests, Brothers and Sisters attending the conference.

Holy Cross religious, who have been working more than sixty years in the Diocese of Cleveland at Akron's Archbishop Hoban High School, Gilmour Academy in Gates Mills and at St Edward High School in Lakewood hosted the conference whose theme was "Exemplary Religious in Ministry and Spirituality:"

**Brother Theophane Schmitt** a leader of a number of Holy Cross schools, including Gilmour Academy, was the subject of Brother Lawrence Stewart's paper. Stewart, a graduate of St Edward High School in Lakewood, Ohio, is the archivist for the Brothers of Holy Cross, Midwest Province and president of the Holy Cross History Association.

Founder of the CSC History Conference and general archivist of the Congregation,  
**Father James Connelly** talked about missionary **Rev. Narcisse Hupier**- "A Reluctant But Faithful Religious."

**Brother George Klawitter**, who has translated books and letters from the early Holy Cross foundations in Africa and the United States, discussed the poetry of former Notre Dame president **Rev. Charles O'Donnell**, "Let His Poetry Speak." Klawitter is a tenured professor at St. Edward University in Austin, Texas.

"The Spirituality and Legacy of **Fr. Patrick Peyton**" was delivered by Ms. Laetitia Rhatigan, Director of the Office of the Family Rosary in Albany, New York.

**Brother Richard Daly**, who taught 12 years in Holy Cross high schools and worked with the Texas Catholic Conference 32 years, presented a paper on **Brother Lambert Barbier**, "An Early Practitioner of Catholic Social Teaching."

Marianite **Sr. Mary David Hecker's** paper, "Whom Shall I Send?" was read by **Sr. Judy Gomila**. Sister David taught and served as novice mistress in Chile.

**Sr. Clarita** MSC, coordinator of the Marianite Bywater Project and social worker who founded two agencies serving the homeless, will present a paper, "A Holy Cross Version of St. Paul."

"Brother Columba O'Neill, CSC, Miracle Man of Notre Dame" will be presented by Holy Cross **Fr. John VandenBossche**, a former missionary in Bangladesh who works in the Indiana Province Archive Center.

Holy Cross History Conference participants also traveled for visits to to Archbishop Hoban High, St. Edward High School and Gilmour Academy. The group also toured the historic "Ohio City," a renowned old neighborhood featuring the famous West Side Market in Cleveland, Ohio.

The 2012 Holy Cross History Conference will be held at the University of Portland in Portland, Oregon.

**Br. Lawrence Stewart**

## Brother Robert Mosher Retires



On Friday, June 3rd, Brother Robert Mosher spent the last day of his fifty-eight years as a classroom teacher. His retirement from what has been his sole ministry in the Congregation was marked with a reception attended by his former and current students, parents, and professional colleagues at his current assignment of Good Shepherd Catholic School in Garland, Texas. On this occasion, he was presented with a letter and a certificate of commendation from the National Catholic Educational

Association, citing his devotion, dedication and skill in providing students with a Catholic education. Brother Robert began teaching in 1952.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Gerontology Consortium of Michiana a Success



“Aging with Purpose and Passion,” was the theme of this year’s gerontology conference at Holy Cross College last week. There were approximately 190 people counting everyone, presenters, attendees, people manning the conference booths and the conference committee attending the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Gerontology Consortium of Michiana, June 2. This year there were over 50 community members attending. We didn’t have booths last year and this is the first time we had this many, 26.

The keynote speaker at the conference was Dr. Paul Wright. Dr. Wright was the Cardiologist of Mother Theresa and a cardiologist in practice 25 years before changing the direction of his life to the practice of gerontology.

The Gerontology Consortium of Michiana is comprised of over 50 organizations and has approximately 400 members. Our mission is to support cooperation between organizations and individuals who serve older adults through education, service and advocacy.

Founding members are Holy Cross College, Holy Cross Village, Memorial Hospital, SJRMC and Real Services. We have been in existence 6 years.

Community members are invited to our meetings which are the second Wednesday of every other month from 11 am – 1 pm. Contact Pat Adams at 574-239-8364 if you want more information and where the meeting that month is held.

**Pat Adams**



## Obituary for Brother Richard William Shea, C.S.C.

October 18, 1928 – May 30, 2011

Brother Richard William Shea, C.S.C., age 82, died on May 30, 2011 at Memorial Hospital in South Bend, Indiana. He was born in Chicago, Illinois, the son of Alphonsus and Eleanor (Dockendorf) Shea. He attended St. Ferdinand Elementary School and St. Ignatius High School in Chicago, graduating in 1946. He did office work at National Lead Company while in high school. He attended Loyola University from 1946 to 1948 and then worked as a payroll clerk for Revere Copper and Brass for two years until 1950.. He joined the Brothers of Holy Cross and went to Sacred Heart Juniorate in Watertown, Wisconsin, in September of 1950. He began his novitiate year of formation at St. Joseph's Novitiate in Rolling Prairie, Indiana in February 1951 and pronounced his first vows on February 2, 1952. He was assigned to St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas where he completed his college studies from 1952 to 1954 and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree, graduating magna cum laude in 1954.



For the next 27 years, Brother Richard taught in high schools in Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois, often directing the school musical and drama performances. The next 21 years of his career were spent caring for the elderly and assisting seniors in the Chicago area when he worked as a staff member or coordinator with the Council on Aging, Family Care of Illinois, and Family Care Services in Chicago and Bellwood, Illinois. Brother Richard is a good example of a person who used his talents to the fullest in services both to the young and the elderly.

Visitation will be held on Friday, June 3rd, at Our Lady of Holy Cross Chapel from 9:00 to 11:00am on the grounds of Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame. The Mass of Resurrection will then follow at 11:00am with a brief interment service afterward at St. Joseph's Cemetery of the Village. Kaniewski Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Memorial contributions, in honor of Brother Richard Shea, C.S.C., to support the mission and ministries of the Brothers may be sent to: Brothers of Holy Cross, Office of Development, P.O. Box 460, Notre Dame, IN 46556.

## Words of Remembrance for Brother Richard Shea, CSC

Good morning. I am Brother Chester Freel, Provincial Superior for the Brothers of Holy Cross, Midwest Province.

On behalf of the Brothers of Holy Cross, I wish to express our condolences to the family and friends of Brother Richard Shea who are gathered here today. With us are Richard's sister, Mary Jane, and her children, and grandchildren. Also present are the wife and children of Richard's deceased brother William, and several more grandnieces and grandnephews of Richard. Richard loved his family very much, and would proudly line his window sill with your greeting cards received on his birthday, at Christmas, and other holidays. We thank you for being with us today to celebrate Richard's life, work, and memory.

In addition, our appreciation is extended to the staff at Schubert Villa who provided assistance to Richard these last three years, and who afforded him such quality care as his health gradually declined.

As many of you may know, I live at Riverside Apartments which is the large building next door. Frequently on weekends, I attend Mass here in this chapel, and afterwards when returning home, I would walk past Richard's room in Schubert just to see how he had decorated his apartment door, what pictures were displayed on his electronic photo board, or if he had any new art projects underway in the corner activity room.

Richard loved to take photographs, especially of nature or of people, and he was quite good at it; catching just the right shadows, smile, or expression. He enjoyed sharing his pictures with others, and would update the electronic album at his door every couple of weeks. I am told that Richard was affectionately known by other residents of Schubert and Dujarie as "our official photographer" since he chronicled the seasonal events of celebrations and activities inside, and the changes in nature outside.

The corner activity room often would serve as a studio for Richard's art work. He liked painting and would display paintings for others to view, reflect upon, and enjoy. In particular, during the football season, Richard would showcase pictures of autumn: leaves changing colors, the Notre Dame Campus in its last glory before winter, and of guests visiting the grotto on campus.

During this year's Provincial Visit, Richard expressed his happiness with living at Schubert. When I asked him how he would evaluate the quality of his care, he thought for a minute, looked at me as a teacher determining the grade for an essay assignment, and pronounced: "A+.....Everything is first class."

I think this appreciation of living at Holy Cross Village went both ways. Richard had a certain charm about him that could win people over easily. His Irish wit served him well, endearing other residents to him, and it remained with him right until the end. I am told that even while in the hospital on Monday, within the hour before passing on to his eternal reward, that Richard was joking with the nurses and attendants in his own, kind, way.

For the first 26-years of Richard's ministry, he taught English, moderated the photo club, and directed plays at the high schools where he was assigned. Then in his early 50's Richard earned a degree in psychology and gerontology, and began working with the elderly in the Chicago area. Later, as Richard gained experience and expertise, he became a supervisor assisting caseworkers new to the profession. I suspect this experience of helping others learn of issues associated with growing older is why Richard adjusted well to life at Schubert Villa, when it was his time to be cared for by others. He knew from first-hand experience the difficulty of the work, the value of wit and humor in stressful situations, the need for acceptance and compassion with residents, and to always show appreciation for staff.

Lastly Richard was faithful in his prayer life until the end. He said Morning Prayer in his room, ("I move slowly in the morning," he explained to me) and he would regularly participate in Mass and Evening Prayer here in the Chapel. And he had a great devotion to Saint Teresa of Ávila, the Spanish mystic, Doctor of the Church, and Carmelite nun who lived in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Daily, he would either meditate on her writings, or read from biographies about her.

Given this devotion, I think it appropriate to conclude these words of remembrance with one of Saint Teresa, poems. It is known as "Poem IX" It seems to summarize Richard's outlook on life, and the words by which he would want us to remember him:

*Let nothing disturb thee;  
Let nothing dismay thee:  
All things pass;  
God never changes.*

*Patience attains  
All that it strives for.  
He who has God  
Finds he lacks nothing:  
God alone suffices.*

May Richard's soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**Br. Chester Freel**

## Provincial and Councilors Appointed to Moreau Province of Brothers

As a result of the consultation which took place recently among the members of the South-West Province and the Eastern Province of Brothers regarding suggestions for the appointment of a provincial and two provincial councilors for the Moreau Province, and with the unanimous consent of the members of the General Council, I am pleased to announce the appointments of **Brother William Zaydak, C.S.C.**, as provincial, and Brothers **James Branigan, C.S.C.** and **William Nick, C.S.C.**, as provincial councilors.

These appointments are effective September 15, 2011, and the appointed religious will hold office until the first regularly scheduled Provincial Chapter of the Moreau Province which will take place in 2012.

These actions are in fulfillment of the stipulations of Decree 15 of the 2010 General Chapter which states that

*The Chapter decrees that after consultation with the members of the former South-West Province and the Eastern Province of Brothers, the Superior General with the consent of his Council, appoint a Provincial Superior and two provincial Councilors to hold office until the regularly scheduled Provincial Chapter of 2012.*

*The Provincial shall appoint at least two additional Councilors according to the provisions of Constitution 7:98, and Statutes 79 and 110.8.*

I am grateful to all the members of the South-West and Eastern Province of Brothers who participated in the consultation, and to the men who have accepted these responsibilities.

My gratitude extends, as well, to Brother Donald Blauvelt, C.S.C. and Brother William Zaydak, C.S.C., current provincials of the South-West Province and the Eastern Province of Brothers whose vision and hard work have brought us to this moment.

**Rev. Richard V. Warner**  
**Superior General**

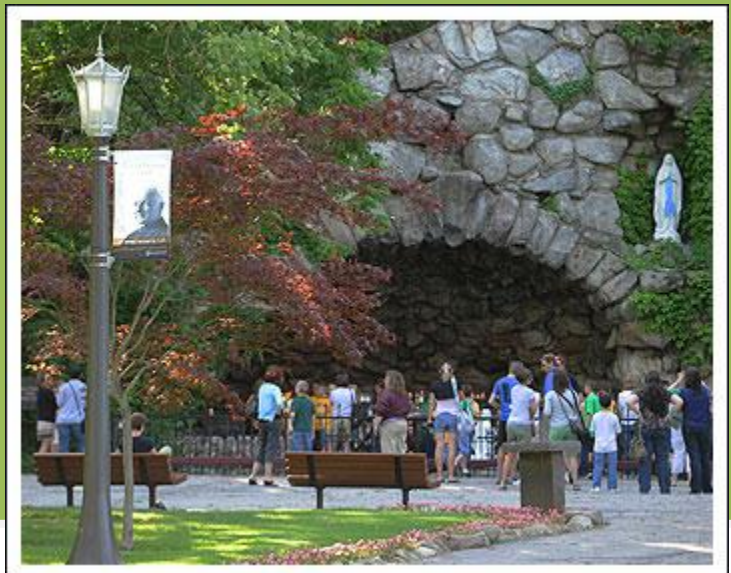
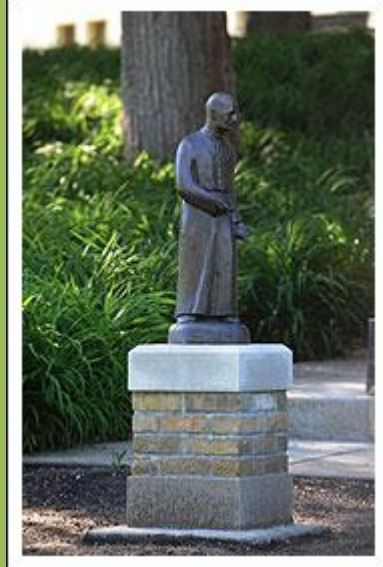
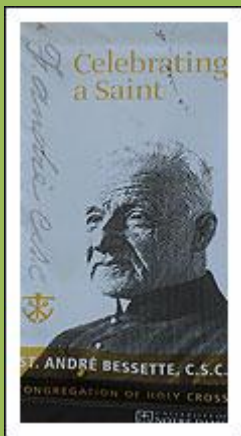
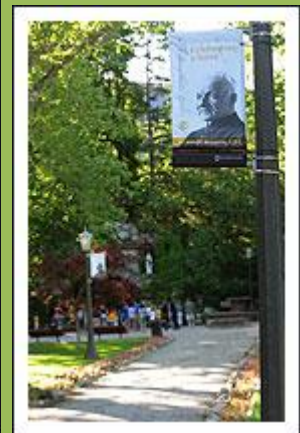


## Notre Dame Honors St. Andre with Statue, Banners

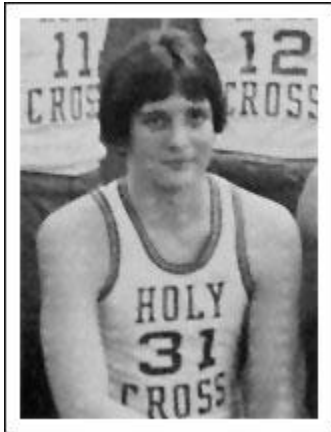
Additions of a statue of St. Br. Andre in front of the 'Old College' and banners on campus show Notre Dame's attempt to heighten awareness of summer visitors to the campus of Holy Cross' first saint. This past week was the Annual Alumni Weekend, and the perfect time to honor St. Andre. The project was a joint effort of Notre Dame and Indiana Province.

The statue in front of the 'Old College' is a bronze replica of the white marble statue in Sacred Heart Basilica of St. Andre by Rev, Anthony Lauck , C.S.C.

The smaller lamppost banners of St. Andre are a copy of the larger banners on the campus of Notre Dame, Holy Cross College and Holy Cross Village.



## Kowalski is Recipient of Guerin Prep's Davenport Award



Each year Guerin Prep names a Holy Cross High School, River Grove, Illinois, alumni member as the winner of the “Davenport Award” for outstanding service to his community or profession. The **Brother Walter Davenport Award** was begun in 2005 to honor an alumnus of Holy Cross who has given outstanding service to the community. This is similar to the annual McManus Award given to alums of Guerin Prep since 1978 for the same reason.

On May 26, at Guerin Prep’s Baccalaureate Mass Tom Kowalski, a 1979 graduate of Holy Cross High School was named the 2011 recipient of the Brother Davenport Award.

Tom has his own business— The Transit Group—dedicated to motivating sports players to go back to school and have a career after their professional sports career. His current organization continues to work with the NFL (20 years running) as well as the NCAA, NASCAR, and the National Consortium for Academics and Sports. The NFL’s graduation rate for its players has risen from 36% to more than 50% since the inception of the program.

Since 2007 he has been on somewhat of a personal crusade. Tom was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma, an incurable cancer of the blood cells. He went into remission in 2008 but is currently back in treatment.

Because Multiple Myeloma is such a rare disease, a patient-advocate program was formed to help those suffering from Myeloma learn about this disease from one of their own. Tom goes around the country giving motivational speeches for others living with and suffering with the disease. Tom said, “I have been learning to appreciate things that perhaps I never took the time to discover because I was so busy just trying to make a living.”

Previous Brother Walter Davenport Award winners are:

2005 – Honorable Michael McAuliffe (class of 1982)

2006 – Jack Ross (class of 1967)

2007 – Terry J. Malik (class of 1969)

2008 – Joseph A. Marchese (class of 1968)

2009 – George Ristau (class of 1970)

Link to Guerin Prep: <http://www.guerinprep.org/>

Thursday, June 16, 2011 at 7:00 PM  
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**Brother Joel Giallanza, CSC**

Author, retreat master, spiritual director,  
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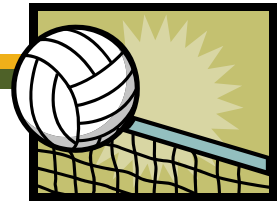
### **Bob Carter**

President/CEO Senior Friendship Centers, Inc.

## June Brothers Workshop

The June Brothers Workshop will begin with a Mass in Saint Joseph Chapel at 4:30 pm on Wednesday, June 15.

### **Brother John May**



## Underdog Eagles Win State

On Sunday, May 29, the St. Edward High School Volleyball Team won the Division I State Volleyball Tournament. In order to win, the Eagles had to get past a powerful St. Xavier squad. In the championship match the underdog Eagles faced Archbishop Moeller High School, who had not lost a match all season. In a seesaw battle the Eagles emerged victorious and captured their first State Volleyball Championship by a score of 20-25, 25-23, 21-25, 25-20, 17-15!

Having won in football and wrestling earlier this academic year, the Eagles wrapped up the year with three state titles.



Link to St. Edward High School Webpage: <http://alumni.sehs.net/>

## Prayer Request

Prayers in remembrance of Brother Tom Rock's brother Gene are requested. He died on May 16<sup>th</sup> in Minnesota. A memorial Mass was celebrated on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> in Duluth, Minnesota.

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