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Br. Joe Berg, the Man Behind the Catholic Charities USA Leadership Institute

Brother Joseph Berg, C.S.C., who worked at Catholic Charities USA from 1969 to 2005, was the driving force behind the Leadership Institute for over 20 years, founding the program and then working diligently to keep it a meaningful and relevant leadership development experience. Dr. John Yankey, a long-time faculty member of the Leadership Institute, said of Brother Joseph: “Brother Joe was passionately committed to the program, to keeping the focus on learning who you are as a leader. He really pushed us. He wanted to maximize every minute of the week-long program and continually honed its foci and ways of teaching and learning. The fact that the Leadership Institute continues today is a testimony to his leadership and a tribute to his vision for developing leaders in an ever changing world. No one could have championed and created a better Leadership Institute than Brother Joe.”



Brother Joseph this past year had a stroke and is a resident of Dujarie House infirmary at Holy Cross Village, Notre Dame, IN.

For hundreds of Catholic Charities leaders across the country, Catholic Charities USA’s Leadership Institute has been a significant and valued part of their personal leadership development. Tis annual week-long intensive training, which integrates leadership and management with theology and spirituality, has often been described by participants as a trans-formational experience. This is one of the primary reasons the Leadership Institute has continued on for nearly three decades, drawing new Catholic Charities leaders every year. The Leadership Institute brings together an engaging faculty to assist Catholic Charities leaders in discovering their learning, personality, leadership, and negotiating styles, while exploring questions related to mission, ethics, and Catholic identity. Further, the Institute provides a historical under-standing of the Catholic Charities movement along with the fundamentals of Catholic social teaching and church ethics. This instruction combined with daily Mass and prayer pro- vides a strong spiritual

foundation for the participants. The Institute also provides valuable networking opportunities, with many of the participants developing life-long friend-ships from their experience. The first Leadership Institute was offered in 1986. The year before, the Standing Committee of Directors, now known as the Council of Diocesan Directors, asked CCUSA to develop a leadership development program for Catholic Charities professionals. Rev. Tom Harvey, then president of Catholic Charities USA, sent Brother Joseph Berg, one of CCUSA's staff members, to the United Way leadership program at Harvard to learn how CCUSA might approach the development of a program. Drawing on the foundational think-ing of the United Way program, Brother Joseph developed a program geared toward the needs of people working in the context of a Catholic, faith-based, social service organization. The format and topics of the Leadership Institute have evolved over the years. The core modules on management style, personality style, Catholic social teaching, and the history of Catholic Charities have remained constant, but emphases on public speaking, strategic planning, fundraising, and marketing have come and gone as the Institute's purposes and goals have been honed. A diversity module was added in the mid-1990s, with scholarships for individuals from historically underrepresented backgrounds initiated in 1995. An advocacy component was added in 2006, as were agency presentations, which gives attendees the opportunity to learn about each other's organizations. Since then, the Institute has placed an increased emphasis on Catholic social teaching and ethics and has added components on the poverty campaign and racial equality. Through the Leadership Institute, Catholic Charities leaders have learned to lead more effectively, benefitting their agencies and the people they serve. Many of them have sent other staff members to the Leadership Institute year after year, which is a testimony to the power of the Institute to inform, inspire, and develop the Leadership abilities of our network's most promising staff members.

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HCC Celebrated Our Lady of Sorrows Feast Day



Thanks to the effort of **Brother Chris Torrijas**, Director of the St. Joseph Residence Aspirance Program at Holy Cross College's Pulte Hall, several Brothers along with Holy Cross students, were able to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows (September 15), the Congregational Feast Day of the Holy Cross Priests and Brothers, with a Noon Mass by **Father Michael B. Sullivan** of Holy Cross College, and lunch with cake to follow.

The celebration was sponsored by St. Joseph Residence and Holy Cross Ministry and Student Programming. In the evening the Brothers and Aspirants at St. Joseph Residence invited the students of Holy Cross College to an open house to view the facility. In a few weeks there will be an open house for Holy Cross religious.





Columba Hall Project Roof Slowed by Wet Weather

With the 14 –day weather prediction of cooler and drier weather, the Columba Hall roofing project should start to make some progress. It's already two weeks into construction with many rain delays so far. Within the coming week, the crew will work on installing new gutters and downspouts for the building. They currently have a crew of five removing some of the old shingles close to the gutters. In the pictures you can see some workers are required to wear safety harnesses.

A slide show of the project may be seen at: www.brothersofholycross.com



Schubert Villa/Dujarie Kitchen Undergoes Renovation

The kitchen at Schubert Villa, Dujarie House and the Quinn enter are undergoing a total restoration. The construction with Brown and Brown as principal contractor, began on September 1, and expects the project to be completed by October 1. In the meantime, all the meals are cooked in the kitchen at Andre Place and trucked to the present Schubert Villa and Dujarie House dining rooms. The dirty dishes are returned to Andre Place to be washed for the next meal.

Jack Mueller, director of Schubert Villa, Dujarie House and the Quinn Center explained that since the kitchen was built over 10 years ago both Schubert Villa and Dujarie House have increased in the number of residents they serve. The original layout of the kitchen was impractical for the number of meals they are now serving: three times a day, seven days a week. Holy Cross Village is Kitchen absorbing the renovation cost.

The Sodexo staff of 50 cooks and waiters will be glad when the month-long project is complete. Sodexo has been creative in cooking some portions of their service in the Schubert dining room. One of the major improvements in the remodeled kitchen will be a new food preparation island which will be more efficient. Also, a number of additional storage racks will be installed to accommodate efficient meal preparation.

On September 11 a giant crane lifted a new exhaust fan on the roof of Schubert Villa. Because of its weight, a number of the joists had to be reinforced. Pictures of the completed project will in Midwest-Midweek.



The next renovation to Dujarie House will be at the nurses station where new flooring will be one of the changes coming.





St. Edward Leads Northeast Ohio Catholic Schools with 10 National Merit Semifinalists

The National Merit Scholarship Corp. announced today that 23 St. Edward High School seniors have been recognized among the top academic minds in the nation. 10 students were named National Merit Semifinalists and 13 students were named National Merit Commended Scholars. St. Edward has more National Merit Semifinalists this year than any Catholic High School in Northeast Ohio, and is among the top performing high schools in the state.

This achievement is a testament to the hard work of these students, their parents and their teachers, and a proud occasion for the entire St. Edward Community to celebrate!

Congratulations to the following members of the Class of 2015.

From St. Edward High School

Prayers Requested

Brothers

Please find below some health care updates for members of the Province:

- 1) **Brother John Stout** was admitted to Memorial Hospital, South Bend, In. over the weekend. John is experiencing some irregularities with his heart, and the doctors' are evaluating the advantages of inserting a pace-maker. John is asking for prayers of the community.
- 2) **Brother Richard Gilman** will undergo hip replacement surgery tomorrow, September 16th, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Mishawaka, IN. Richard is hopeful the hip replacement will correct severe arthritis in the joint. Richard is asking to be remembered in prayer.
- 3) **Brother Ray Harrington** has returned from his intense rehabilitation work at the Alexian Rehabilitation Hospital near Chicago. Ray continues with his physical therapy at Dujarie House.
- 4) **Brother Roger Berg** continues to make progress recovering from his leg injuries of last month. The leg immobilizers have been removed and Roger is now working to regain flexibility of muscles that enable walking.
- 5) **Brother Paul Kelly** asks for prayers of the community as he undergoes chemotherapy to treat a form of leukemia. Paul reports he is faithfully following doctor's orders including taking a daily afternoon nap.
- 6) **Brother Henry Skitzki** has completed courses of both chemotherapy and radiation therapy to address a cancerous growth under one of his arms. Henry is thankful to all for remembrance in prayer.
- 7) **Brother Timothy O'Connell** continues in rehabilitation at Dujarie House. Tim reports that the doctors have successfully identified and treated the reason for his occasional light-headedness and resulting loss of balance. The doctors are now assessing the nature and prognosis for the neuropathy Tim is experiencing with his feet, which limits his mobility other than with a wheelchair.

- 8) **Brother James Everett** reports that his recent course of radiation treatment appears to have placed his liver cancer in remission. James says he is feeling fine, and continues to daily engage in his ministries at St. Edward High School. James is thankful for all who have remembered him in prayer.
- 9) **Brother Joseph Annan** (District of West Africa) has completed a multiple session of radiation treatment for treatment of prostate cancer and is now back in residence at the novitiate building of the District Center. Joe is awaiting medical results of recent tests, and is grateful for all the prayers on his behalf as he endured the last three months of treatment.

Please remember the above mentioned brothers, as well as all of our members who are experiencing various difficulties related to health and aging.

Thank you.....and Happy Feast Day!

Br. Chester Freel

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