

# The Porter

St. Conrad Fraternity, Annapolis, MD Secular Franciscan Order - September 2018 http://stconradannapolis.sfousa.org/

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The Porter deadline for the October issue is October 10. Please send news, prayer requests, poems, or interesting things that you think other members may enjoy to: Joan Faltot, 8217 Grainfield Rd, Severn, MD 21144, or send by email (address above).						
3 Mile		Saturday, September 15, 2018				
1		St. John the Evangelist, 689	•			
Fraternity		_	•			
Meeting		8:30 Mass – Chur	ch. 9:30 – Activiti	es Building		
Program	Dec. Ju end of will be	Our Fraternity will take part in the program Adoration 101 being taught by Fr. Michael Rubeling and Dec. Justin Gough. This will take place in the Activities Building (the new structure at the opposite end of the school from the Youth Room). Coffee will be available at the talk. After the talk, there will be Adoration at 10:30 in the church. Following this there will be a short meeting with prayer and community time (and lite refreshments) in the Youth Room.				
Special Outreach	Collection for Samaritan Women ministry, a healing and restoration program for victims of domestic sex trafficking. Ed Sievers will be collecting the items in the church parking lot following Mass. See page 3 for list of items that the ministry has requested.					
Liturgy	Annapo	Annapolis/Eastern Shore. Our Lady of Sorrows, Memorial - Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary.				
Refreshments	Glen Burnie/Pasadena. Annapolis/Eastern Shore will be next, so please arrange to take the supplies home and restock if necessary. <i>Please remember to bring your own cup.</i>					
Prayer Requests	For our sick and/or homebound members: (Please help us update this list.) Katherine (Mary Henry's daughter-in-law), Audrey Bushee's husband, Bob Countryman (husband of our regional executive Councilor), Susan Burn's son Michael, Jude Dodge, Evelyn Jones' niece, Genny Wilbourne's granddaughter Jessica, Al Gigel, Peggy Rideout (Mary Musselwhite's daughter), Joan's					

Council

Mary Rohde – 9/14

Chris Gordon - 9/15

**Birthdays** 

husband Bill Kvetkas, Mandy (Kathleen Sievers' niece), Teri Egan, Denise Miante, Pat Troup.

Laura Benso - 9/16

Evelyn Jones -- 10/1

Profession Anniversaries	Jean Gaes - 9/17/1987 Kathy Brady - 9/17/2016 Judy Hool - 9/17/20  Kathy Duffy - 9/17/2016 David Littleton - 9/1  Ron Van Nest - 9/17/2016 Denise Miante - 9/1  Marie Waleryszak - 9/17/2016 Genny Wilbourne - 9/1  Sandy Horvath - 9/17/2016 Mary Rita Rossi - 9/1	16 Joan Kvetkas – 10/4/1971 7/2016 Louise Ryan – 10/4/1982 8/2010 Pat Tyrrell – 10/10/1991 9/18/2010 Mary Cicero 10/10/1996			
Outreach	For more information, contact Denise.  Lighthouse Shelter Lunches: Thursday, September 27, 9:30 a.m. at Joan Kvetkas' home.  Phoenix Academy: "Backpacks" will not be packed in month of September. Fraternity donations will be used by Denise to purchase food for the Academy's food bank.				
Treasury	Common Fund balance: \$945.82.  REMINDER - Please remember to use the memo line of your check to designate how you wish your contribution to be directed. There are 3 possible designations:  • Common Fund (this covers fraternity operations and the Sabu family in India),  • Phoenix Academy (for student weekend food packs), and  • Tokens (bus tokens for the Lighthouse Shelter clients).  You can write one check and direct your contribution to any or all three areas.  Example: \$20 Com / \$10 Phoenix / \$5 Token. None of these amounts should be interpreted as being what is expected from any particular member.  Cash contributions are also acceptable, but checks are preferred.				
Council Meeting	To be determined.				
<b>Upcoming Events</b>	S				
Sept 16	Multi-Fraternity Mass and Franciscan Picnic at the Shrine of St. Anthony, 12290 Folly Quarter Road, Ellicotty City, MD 21042, sponsored by the St. Joseph of Cupertino Fraternity.  Mass at noon in the Chapel followed by picnic from 1-4:00 PM. Food will be provided, but if you wish, feel free to bring a dish to share.				

# **COMMUNITY**



### Minister's Minute:

Pat and Judith have snuck off on a vacation but will be at our fraternity meeting on Saturday.

Before leaving on their trip, Pat sent the council some last minute good news which he said could be distributed to the fraternity. **Br. Diogo Augustine, OFM Cap.** has been assigned to continue as our Spiritual Assistant and will be joined by **Br. Rigo Azanwi, OFM Cap.** 

Peggy Rideout (Mary Musselwhite's daughter) had breast cancer a few years ago and has been in remission for the past 2 years. The cancer has come back and has metastasized into her spine. She is undergoing treatment at the Cancer Treatment Center of America in Chicago. Some treatments are considered out of network and are not covered under their insurance; the cost of the treatments and the travel are likely to be in the tens of thousands of dollars. Her family is seeking to raise \$35,000 to cover the expenses via a GoFundMe page. If you wish to help, see

https://www.gofundme.com/peggy-rideout039s-medical-fund

### SPECIAL OUTREACH COLLECTION FOR THE SAMARITAN WOMEN MINISTRY

Our fraternity will be having a special collection for the Samaritan Women ministry, a healing and restoration program for victims of domestic sex trafficking. Ed Sievers (Kathleen's husband) will be collecting the items in the parking lot after Mass. If you have anything heavy you might try and transfer the item to Ed's care prior to our meeting; however most of the requested items are light and Kathleen can collect them if you miss Ed in the parking lot.

Beth Hadley specified that gift cards can be any amount <u>up to \$25.00</u>. Please do not donate any gift card over \$25.00. Items requested:

	Amazon.com	Grocery stores
Gift Cards	Target	Subway
(\$25.00 or less)	Walmart	Gas
	Home Depot	
Office	HP 61 XL and 950/951 XL printer	Printer paper
Office	cartridges (black and color)	Stamps
	Coffee K-cups	Laundry pods
	Paper Towels Kitchen trash bag	Lysol cleaner
Household Items	Napkins (paper)	Clorox wipes
	SOS pads	Sponge mop & mop heads
	Scouring pads	

# Multi-Fraternity Mass and Franciscan Picnic Sunday, September 16, 2018



You are cordially invited to join the Saint Joseph of Cupertino Fraternity in celebrating our Franciscan spirit and fellowship. Mass will be celebrated at 12 noon at the Shrine of St. Anthony, 12290 Folly Quarter Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042, followed by a picnic.

To go to the picnic location, drive around the Shrine, pass the Chapel entrance and follow the signs. The picnic will be held under pine trees from 1 pm to 4 pm.

Food will be provided, but if you wish, feel free to bring a dish to share.

## JPIC -- JUSTICE, PEACE AND INTEGRITY OF CREATION, ANIMATOR JUDITH TYRRELL, OFS

In researching the family history of my grandmother and great-grandmother who lived in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada, my husband and I learned of an infant son born to my great-grandmother who was baptized in the Mission of St. Joseph there in Moose Jaw. Sadly he died as an infant and his burial is recorded also. Researching further I learned of the Saskatchewan Rebellion between the Canadian government and the local Native Americans and the destruction of not one but 7 of these missions in Saskatchewan. They were established by Jesuits and Redemptorists and Capuchins seeking to evangelize the Native Americans but at the same time these missionaries were encroaching on the lands of these peoples who had occupied them for many years and the Native Americans rebelled.

This same battle has gone on in our country between the government and the Native Americans. Fortunately more and more the civil rights of the Native Americans are being realized. The injustices to the Native Americans farmers have just recently been addressed after a long court battle with many appeals. They will begin receiving grants from the Native American farm fund from the 266 million dollar settlement for 20 years of discrimination against the farmers. <a href="https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/public-safety/new-native-american-farm-fund-to-distribute-266-million-in-landmark-civil-rights-settlement/2018/08/11/1f82a23a-9bf1-11e8-843b-36e177f3081c story.html?utm term=.e4c10ba00fdd</a>

As Secular Franciscans we seek unity and dialogue instead of violence and injustice to deal with differences. There is a new effort to bring together peoples for the sake of the environment and justice. One of these I recently learned about on a DVD entitled Renewal. (see <a href="http://www.renewalproject.net/">http://www.renewalproject.net/</a>) One segment shows our Franciscan brothers and sisters leading an effort to protect their water and crops from land developers in Albuquerque, New Mexico. They are holding a prayer service at an irrigation ditch with the local people, Mexicans and Apache Indians. They carry a statue of St. Isidor, patron of farmers, in a procession from the church to the irrigation ditch asking his intercession and blessing upon it to make it a source of refreshment and life for the people. The people met with Sister Joan Brown, a Franciscan, who taught them Pope John Paul II's words about the environment: that we are in a spiritual, moral and ethical crisis and that a change of heart is needed. Working together for the conservation of the land and water and advocating for their rights in a peaceful manner, the Commission ultimately passed resolutions protecting their land and water from the land developers.

But you don't have to go all the way to Canada or New Mexico to learn of the cooperative efforts between the Jesuits and the Native Americans. Did you know that Sacred Heart (Whitemarsh Hall) in Bowie was the training place for several Jesuits who went from there to the Northwest to establish missions to evangelize the Indians including Fr. DeSmet? Or what about Fr. Andrew White, SJ, who evangelized the Piscataway Indians right here in Maryland? Have you been to southern Maryland to St. Ignatius parish where many of these Jesuits are honored? Did you know that St. Kateri Tekakwitha, a Mohawk, is one of the patrons of the environment along with St. Francis? Let us ask them to make cooperative efforts with the Native Americans fruitful for the sake of peace and the land they love.

### Don't Forget: Polystyrene Recycling

- Bring your clean polystyrene packaging material (including the molded inserts used to product furniture or electronics) to the fraternity meeting and Pat and Judith will take them to a business in Crofton which will reuse the material. Typically the small beads can be remolded into new packaging material.
- Polystyrene peanuts and bubble wrap... collect it in a plastic bag and deliver it UPS Mailbox storefronts. They will gratefully reuse the material for packing their shipments.