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covering most of Upstate New York & Northwestern Pennsylvania

## Friar and Scholar Ed Coughlin Leads Central NY Franciscan Experience

SYRACUSE -- The Central New York Franciscan Experience, hosted annually by the Sisters of St. Francis, will take place Saturday, March 8, featuring Franciscan friar and scholar Ed Coughlin, OFM. The Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Region of the Secular Franciscan Order is co-sponsoring the day. The program will run



Friar Ed Coughlin

from 9 to 4 at the Sisters of St. Francis Center, 2500 Grant Boulevard, Syracuse.

Registration deadline was Feb. 8, but any Secular Franciscan interested in attending may contact Ceil Beard, SFO, for possible late registration. Call 315-468-3898 or email [CeilBeard@KateriRegion.org](mailto:CeilBeard@KateriRegion.org).

The event includes lunch and is free for Secular Franciscans. For the public, the program cost is \$25.



ANNUAL  
MEETING  
SPEAKER

*National Fraternity's Anne Mulqueen, SFO, will address the Regional Gathering April 25. See Page 12 for info and registration form.*



Betty Frank, SFO, with Utica Mayor Tim Julian last Oct.

## MAYOR SURPRISES UTICA SFO

Betty Frank, SFO, got more than she expected at the Public Square Rosary Rally on Oct. 13 at Utica City Hall. Then-Mayor Tim Julian surprised her with a proclamation recognizing her "untiring work" on behalf of the poor and in promoting the praise and worship of God through the establishment of Utica's only Perpetual Adoration Chapel and the erection of a shrine to Bl. Mother Marianne Cope, "Utica's future saint." Both are located at St. Joseph-St. Patrick Church.

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**Regional  
Minister's  
Message**

By MARY FRANCES CHARSKY, SFO

Greetings to all Secular Franciscans and Spiritual Assistants.

Pax et bonum! Thanks be to God!

Thank you to the Regional Council members who gathered in June, August and in October to plan and serve our regional fraternities. We are planning the **SFO Regional Annual Meeting scheduled for this April 25, 26 & 27** at Stella Maris.

*Fraternity Ministers or their delegates have the responsibility to attend. We encourage all of you to consider joining us* for all or part of the Annual Meeting weekend since it will be an opportunity for information, formation and transformation.

St. Francis' life is a blessing to us all. His spiritual beauty, power, and compassion will always offer us guidance in our life's journey to the Lord. His joy and triumph over fear is a lesson to us.

Please pray for each other and the Regional Council as we discern God's will (in the spirit of St. Francis and St. Clare).

The Lord bless you and keep you!

The Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

The Lord look upon you with mercy

And give you peace!

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# SERVING POOR AND OUTCAST BECAME A RETREAT

By DON WATKINS, SFO

Wednesday evening August 1st found me at Mt. Irenaeus Franciscan Mountain Retreat Center for an “Evening of Re-Creation.” Each summer for the past seven years I’ve spent Wednesday evenings in June, July and early August at the Mountain. Following Eucharist at 4:45 I found myself sitting on the porch before a dish-to-pass supper was served. That evening fellow St. Irenaeus Secular Franciscans **Bonnie and Larry Orsini** were present. Larry said, “Don, would you like to come to Philadelphia with us tomorrow?” That day had been a particularly stressful one at work and it seemed that the Holy Spirit was actually leading me to take a break from the routine of summer work. I said, “I’ll have to ask Diane.” Diane (my wife) was also along this



evening. After consulting with my spouse I agreed to meet Bonnie and Larry that next morning in Olean, NY and accompany them to St. Francis Inn in Philadelphia, PA. I found out later that we would be meeting another Secular Franciscan, **Agnes Brush** and her husband **Tom**, in Philadelphia. We had an enjoyable trip. We had beautiful weather and relatively little traffic until we arrived in the metropoli-

tan Philadelphia area. I knew of St. Francis Inn and I’d even watched parts of the Gerry Straub video, “*Room at the Inn*,” but nothing could have really prepared me for what I was to experience in the next several days. As we drove down Broad Street and turned onto Cumberland and headed for the Kensington area, we passed from what might be called middle America to what is called the “Badlands”. This area is appropriately named. We finally arrived at our destination on the corner of Kensington and Hagert. **Barbara Salapek** and **Fr. Michael Duffy, OFM**, greeted us as we arrived and after stowing our bags in our accommodations at 1807 Hagert Street adjacent to the Inn, we went to work. Barbara assigned us our work detail. Larry and Bonnie were waiters in

the Inn dining room and I worked with **Karen Pushaw**, another St. Francis Inn staff member, in the kitchen. My job was to wash dishes. It’s been years since I washed that many dishes. Tables were bussed and I got to scrape and spray off dishes before placing them in racks in the automatic washer. The ambient temperature in Philadelphia that Thursday was 90 F. I don’t know what it was next to that dishwasher, but with rinse cycles above 190 F, it was very steamy. After 90 minutes St. Francis Inn had served over three hundred dinners and I’d had a hand in washing all the dishes that went along with that. I was drained. After helping with the cleanup, I joined Bonnie, Larry and the rest of the community for evening prayer in the chapel. As I sat in the prayerful quiet I thanked God for

bringing me to St. Francis Inn.

For most of the summer I'd wanted to get away for a retreat and this was it. This wasn't what I would have picked as a retreat. Most people wouldn't consider serving food to prostitutes, drug addicts, alcoholics, mentally challenged and ordinary poor folks as much of a retreat, but here there was solitude. The solitude that I had been looking for. When we got back to the apartment I crashed. I woke up an hour or so later to the voices of Agnes and Tom Brush who had arrived while I was napping. We closed the evening sharing our day and adjourned to our quarters for the evening.

Friday morning found us up, showered, dressed and in the chapel for 8:30 a.m. Mass. **Brother Xavier De La Huerta, OFM**, greeted us. Xavier seemed angelic to me. His che-

**Wall of Honor**

In Memory Of

**Claudio Poccia**  
(Uncle of Mary Stronach, SFO)  
*remembered by*  
Betty Frank, SFO

In Honor Of

**William & Laura Heinz, SFO**  
Former Regional Leadership Team  
*by St. Joseph Fraternity, Utica, NY*

**Mary Frances Charsky, SFO**  
As New Regional Minister  
*by St. Joseph Fraternity, Utica, NY*

***How to participate in the Wall of Honor – Page 11.***

rubric smile and warm greeting made me feel very good. Mass at St. Francis Inn is unique. We were seated in comfortable chairs and our celebrant was seated in front of us. A large cross hung behind Fr. Bill as he said Mass. The chapel is small but more than adequate and very Franciscan. Following Mass we went down-

stairs and prepared for the midday meal. We found out that Friday, Saturday and Sunday meals are only served from 11:30 to 1. We would have only one meal to serve. Karen got me started dishing up chicken salad from the night before and that formed the basis for "side door" meals. Side door meals are served to



those folks who cause too much difficulty to be served in the regular dining room at St. Francis Inn. A sign on the side door states, "Smile, Jesus is at the door;" another lesson on my retreat, we were serving the Lord himself in the person of all these poor folks. Friday found Tom Brush and I washing dishes. Agnes and Bonnie worked as waitresses in the dining room and Larry got to go with Barbara to collect food from merchants located all over the Philadelphia area who donate food. By 1 p.m. Tom and I were whipped. The ladies had served nearly 300 lunches and we'd done the dishes. Our customers had come from all over and though I want-

ed to take their pictures for an article like this, I couldn't bring myself to do that. Their sacred presence would seem to be defiled by such an act. I did manage to sneak one cell phone picture with my phone of the dining room, but it really does not do justice to the scene of broken people coming for a fresh meal, a smile and some love from Franciscans and other volunteers who work at the Inn.

Each day we began with Mass at 8:30, followed by the noon meal. Each day we worked together as Franciscan brothers and sisters as servants of the Most High. On Friday and Saturday night we managed to escape out of the Kensington area for pizza and Philly cheese steak hoagies. We even sampled some delicious ice cream at a Coldstone Creamery nearby. We began our day Sunday with Mass said by Fr. Michael

Duffy, OFM. I finally graduated to working in the dining room on Sunday. I was able to hold my hand and welcome less fortunate brothers and sisters with, "We have a table for four."

I felt a bit guilty leaving our guests behind. We come from different worlds and the people of Kensington and Hagert are the lepers of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. We are called to serve the poor and though I would not trade places with my unfortunate brothers and sisters of the Badlands, I am humbled to have seen Christ face to face in their eyes. As we prepared to leave after the noon meal on Sunday, Fr. Michael came to wish us well and thank us for our service. I for one felt genuinely grateful to have had the opportunity to serve.

We plan to return and we encourage you, our Franciscan brothers and sisters, to learn

more about St. Francis Inn by visiting their website at <http://www.stfrancisinn.org> and or purchasing the video by Gerry Straub, "Room at the Inn."

## ST. PIUS X FRATERNITY HOLDS ELECTIONS

**Gloria House, SFO**, was re-elected minister of St. Pius X Fraternity during a special chapter of elections held June 16 in Painted Post, NY. This is her third term. With permission from the Regional Executive Council, the fraternity's chapter of elections was postponed from the previous fall. The new council will serve until November of 2009.

Also elected:

- Vice Minister **August (Augie) Titi**, SFO.
- Secretary **Marie Titi**, SFO.
- Treasurer **Jim Fagan**, SFO.
- Formation Director Dr. **Tom Gadziala**, SFO.



*Gloria House, SFO*

- Councilor **Gloria Snell**, SFO.

In May, the fraternity professed four members and gave special recognition to members with 51 years or more of service. The newly professed are: **James Fagan**, SFO; Dr. **Thomas Gadziala**, SFO; **Ronald Snyder**, SFO; **Cindy Synder**, SFO.

The previous fall the fraternity professed two other members: **Dominic Ferreira**, SFO, and **JoAnn Mahoney**, SFO

Recognized for years of service were: **Fr. Francis Davis**, SFO, 62 years; **Antoinette Thiry**, SFO, 60 years; **Vincent "Jim" Bruce**, SFO, 54 years; **Fr. Philip Billotte**, SFO, **Mary Coleman**, SFO, and **Eileen Reisbeck**, SFO, 51 years.

## 4 PROFESSED IN BUFFALO

St. Patrick Fraternity in Buffalo joyfully welcomed four new members as they were professed as Secular Franciscans on Jan. 20, Fraternity Minister Marie Meyer, SFO, announced. They are:

- **Kathleen Holmer-Wach.**
- **Ed Nagel.**
- **Alan Stachowiak.**
- **Rich Thies.**

The profession took place at the 10:30 a.m. Mass at the newly formed St. Clare Parish on Elk Street, Buffalo.

## PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI IN SEPTEMBER

St. Joseph Fraternity in Buffalo is helping to sponsor a 10-day Pilgrimage to Assisi in September.

The Pilgrimage will be Sept. 12-21, 2008, and is open to Secular Franciscans, Franciscan Sisters, and Franciscan Associates.

Except for travel over and back, "the entire time will be spent in Assisi; a dream come true," notes Fraternity Minister Sheila M. Obszud, SFO.

The cost is \$3,000, which includes roundtrip airfare from New York City, hotel, meals, and sightseeing. Escorts include Sr. Ann Bremmer, OSF, and Fr. Russell Govenale, OFM Conv. The only other expense would be for airfare or travel to New York City and back.

For more information or to reserve a spot, contact Sheila Obszud, SFO, at 716-630-1581.

## ST. FRANCIS GETS NEW MINISTER

The Council of St. Francis Fraternity in Binghamton has selected **Cathy Feheley**, SFO, to serve as minister, following the resignation of Tim Suspanic, SFO, who retired and moved out of the area.

Feheley began serving the remaining two years of Suspanic's term on Sept. 30. In addition, **Lena Silba** was appointed to succeed Feheley as formation director.

## ST. LOUIS FRATERNITY MOVES

Saint Louis Fraternity of Troy has moved its monthly meeting site and fraternity parish home to Saint Anthony's Roman Catholic Church in Schenectady, NY.

At the first meeting in Schenectady, held July 22, 2007, Fr. John Medwid, pastor, met each attending member and gave members his blessing, reported Minister Michael Ruggiero, SFO.

The Fraternity meets at least every fourth Sunday of the month after the 10 a.m. Mass and is committed to prayer and ongoing catechesis, Ruggiero said.

## ROCHESTER FRATERNITIES SPONSORED DAY

Fr. Anthony Baetzold, CFR, of Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, led a day of prayer and teaching on Nov. 10 at St. Leo the Great Church, Hilton, NY. The day was sponsored by the Rochester area Secular Franciscan fraternities of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Glory of Yahweh.

## LOURDES MASS

A mass in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes, and the 150th Jubilee Year of the Lourdes apparitions, was sponsored Feb. 9 by Pius X Secular Franciscans at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Painted Post.

## BUFFALO OPEN HOUSE

St. Joseph Fraternity in Buffalo held an open house on Oct. 7. Guest speaker was Fr. Joseph Bayne, OFM Conv.

# YOUNG ADULT & ECO GROUPS START UP IN ALBANY

A Young Adult Secular Franciscan formation group, combined with a Franciscan Youth/Young Adult group (YouFra), has started up in the Capital District region, under the auspices of St. Bernardine of Siena Fraternity at Siena College in the Albany suburb of Loudonville.

Rob Breen, SFO, Meghan Breen, SFO, and Walt Chura, SFO, are spearheading the effort. Rob chairs the Youth/Young Adult and Ecology Commissions for Bl. Kateri Tekakwitha Region; and both Rob and Meghan chair the regional Peace and Justice Commission. Walt is formation director for St. Bernardine Fraternity.

“Franciscan Youth and Young Adults” is an international community for young men and women who are inspired by St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi.

“Throughout the



**Rob Breen, SFO**



**Meghan Breen, SFO**



**Walt Chura, SFO**

world we are known simply as Franciscan Youth, or YouFra,” Rob says. “We integrate faith and action to serve our brothers and sisters, work for social justice, protect Creation, and grow spiritually... We pray together, sing together, learn together, and serve together, and we mature and are transformed as we impact the world around us.”

They have made the young adult effort part of an intergenerational formation process.

“We have 12 other adults (Walt calls them ‘MAs’ for ‘mature adults’) who want to do intergenerational forma-

tion with young adults,” Rob notes. They also have begun discussions on setting up a Central New York YouFra in the Syracuse/Oswego area.

In addition, as part of their Franciscan Ecology Center ministry, Rob has launched a Franciscan Earth Corps chapter at Siena College, and Meg has launched an ecology group called “Eco-Mamas & Papas.” The latter focuses on mobilizing parents and grandparents to address environmental health and justice issues to improve the lives of children affected by a degraded environment.

Earth Corps works

with parish, school and inner-city youth, teaching “holistic environmental education that integrates a spiritual component,” Rob explains. The Corps is involved in nature projects (such as creating a nature center and organic garden, trail building, and wildlife habitat restoration) and offers workshops on topics relating to ecospirituality, environmental justice, leadership, conservation skills, local ecoregional issues and Franciscan perspectives.

For more info about any of these programs, email [RBreen@Kateri-Region.org](mailto:RBreen@Kateri-Region.org).

## BUSY MONTH FOR UTICA FRANCISCANS

The week of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi saw a lot of activity for St. Joseph Fraternity in Utica.

Some members participated in the Transitus at the National Kateri Shrine in Fonda on Oct. 3, joining the Conventual Franciscan friars and other Secular Franciscans in commemorating the passing of Francis from his earthly home to heaven.

On the same day, back in Utica, other fraternity members participated in the dedication of Bl. Mother Marianne Shrine at St. Joseph-St. Patrick Church. Betty Frank, SFO, was one of the organizers of the event, which featured Syracuse Bishop James M. Moynihan leading a crowd of about 750 people in the blessing and dedication of the shrine honoring the parish daughter who went



Mary Stronach, SFO, recognizes dignitaries at the dedication of Utica's Mother Marianne Shrine. Behind her is Syracuse Bishop James Moynihan.

on to become a Franciscan missionary to the lepers of Molokai.

**THEN, ON** Oct. 4, fraternity members celebrated the feast of St. Francis by gathering for mass and then dinner at a restaurant. They were joined by Friars Andrew Siuta and Ed Bick from the Penitent Brothers of St. Francis, and by Fr. Richard Dellos, parish administrator.

**THE FOLLOWING** week, the fraternity hosted the third in a series of Thursday discussions, *"Everybody Loves Francis,"* at the Good News Foundation, Utica. The one-hour sessions were facilitated by Fr. Kevin Kenny,

OFM Conv., the fraternity's spiritual assistant, and Mary Stronach, SFO, the fraternity's formation director. Open to the public, the discussions explored the life and spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi, with readings from original source documents. The remaining sessions were held on Oct. 18, Oct. 25 and Nov. 8.

**BACK TO** the Mother Marianne Shrine: Father Dellos, Fr. Peter Ben Opara and Deacon Gil Nadeau participated in the ceremonies, along with a host of clergy from the surrounding area. After the dedication, Sr. Grace Ann Dillenschneider, OSF,

of the Sisters of St. Francis of Syracuse, presented a relic from Mother Marianne's coffin to Father Dellos for the shrine. Then Mary Stronach, SFO, on behalf of the shrine committee and church, recognized dignitaries and special guests, and offered thanks to the many people who helped make the shrine a reality. A special commemorative booklet about Mother Marianne and the shrine was handed out to all the attendees. The booklet was made possible and created by Betty Frank, SFO, and Bob and Mary Stronach, SFO.

## 'SMOKE SIGNALS'

# Journey to Excellence in Fraternity

By ED CZAPLA, SFO

Have you ever noticed, in the occasional interaction with other fraternities, how much they differ from one another? While some hint of quiet joy, others suggest a sense of urgency or preoccupation with one or another of their ministries. Still others show a more-than-casual leaning toward prayer and devotional practices. No doubt, individual temperament, age, circumstance and the degree of one's awareness, *all* have an impact on the character of the fraternity as a whole. In addition, there are the indefinable elements that, taken together, constitute what we sometimes call the *personality* of the group. It is this personality that we first encounter in dealing with fraternities.

During a Visitation,



*Ed Czapla, left, is advisor to the Regional Executive Council and author of the periodic newsletter, Smoke Signals.*

all the things mentioned are observed by the Visitor. While they are, perhaps, normal for a community on a *faith journey*, the Visitor is mostly concerned to see that these elements are in proper balance with one another, enabling the fraternity to attain its basic objectives. Of particular interest to the Visitor is the quality of its *fraternity life*.

In any event, the Visitor will want to verify that the character of the fraternity is conducive to, or at least, does not hinder the development of a desirable balance between *prayer, continuing for-*

*mation, fellowship* and the *business agenda* of the meeting. Where these basic ingredients of a well-planned gathering are out of balance; i.e., one is unduly emphasized over the rest, problems can be expected to develop in that fraternity, reducing its effectiveness in ministry or in reaching its objectives.

Furthermore, in his apostolic exhortation, *Christifideles Laici*, Pope John Paul II has a special message for the well-aging lay men and women in ministry. (This, I suggest, includes the majority of us!) He says that the

apostolate continues even when the faithful reach the upper age brackets. They may find it necessary to adjust the pace of their labors, they may need to find new ways to serve, but they do not quit, unless failing health makes it impossible to continue. (His own life was a glorious illustration of this same principle.)

The benefits of a proper Visitation are many and are varied. In essence, however, the fundamental purpose of our canonical Visitations is to assist the council in the work of guiding the fraternity to a degree of excellence, so that it can produce the kind of Franciscans that the world of today needs. The Holy Spirit is with us; we Franciscans of the global Order can go confidently about our mission to

## SMOKE SIGNALS

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remake the world into a community of peace, by transforming our fraternity life. All of us professed Franciscans have a responsibility to energize our local fraternities.

May the following prophetic lines from an unknown writer be an inspiration for us in the process:

*Excellence is the result of:*

- **caring more** than others think is wise,

- **risking more** than others think is safe,

- **dreaming more** than others think is practical, and,

- **expecting more** than others think is possible.

*(Closing thoughts from Lester Bach, OFM Cap*

*– SHALOM)*

## FRANCISCAN ECO RETREAT IN BOLIVIA

Last summer, Rob Breen, SFO, Young Adult and Ecology chair for BKTR region, toured the Amazon jungle of Bolivia as part of an effort to establish a permanent Franciscan International Ecological Sanctuary in partnership with the Franciscan Friars of the Bolivian Province and Holy Name Province, and the Franciscan Ecology Center in Albany.

Rob traveled with Friars Jacek Orzechowski, OFM, and Ignatius “Iggy” Harding, OFM, to the Madidi region of the Amazon to a conservation reserve called Serere, managed by EcoBolivia, a nonprofit conservation and ecotourism organization.

There they planned the details of a future Franciscan Ecospirituality Retreat aimed at engaging members of the Franciscan Family, in-

cluding Seculars, Friars, Sisters and Franciscan Young Adults (YouFra), in Franciscan Ecospirituality, environmental service, and work with local indigenous peoples to promote environmental justice.

“The hope is that members of the Franciscan Family will participate in an annual ecopilgrimage and Franciscan Ecospirituality Retreat in the rainforest of Bolivia, experience the presence of God in Creation and in the indigenous people of the region, and then return to the U.S. and engage in Care for Creation and Environmental Justice ministries at home,” Rob explains.

The first Franciscan Ecospirituality Retreat in Bolivia is being planned for August 2008.

For more information, or to join in this Franciscan eco-adventure, contact Rob at [RBreen@KateriRegion.org](mailto:RBreen@KateriRegion.org).

## CHURA DIRECTS ‘MERTON IN THE MOUNTAINS’

The 10th Annual “Thomas Merton in the Mountains” retreat at Pyramid Life Center in the Adirondack town of Paradox was held Sept. 9-11 under the direction of Walt Chura, SFO, formation director for St. Bernardine of Siena Fraternity, Loudonville.

Thomas Merton, an American Trappist monk who died in 1968, was a prolific author.

“We use him sort of as our ‘Adirondack guide’ to the inner heights and depths of silence and solitude in the wilderness,” Chura said. The Retreat is sponsored by the Thomas Merton Society of the Capital Region.

## FRATERNITY HOLDS VIGIL

St. Pius X Fraternity sponsored a Prayer Vigil for Life on Oct. 13 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Painted Post, NY.



Her talk will be a preview of a four-day seminar scheduled June 26-29 at St. Francis University, Loretto, PA.

“We have a great opportunity here in our region as Anne Mulqueen will be with us presenting a leadership seminar,” noted Regional Vice Minister Kim Marks. “She will be giving us a look at what she will be presenting at St Francis this summer.” For questions about the annual gathering, contact Kim at 716-668-3830 or e-mail her at kimmarks11@aol.com.

[For information about the summer seminar, visit the regional website, KateriRegion.org. The National Fraternity is encouraging

Secular Franciscans to attend the summer seminar, which will focus on developing servant leadership in the Secular Franciscan Order.]

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A Wall of Honor page offers a way to remember, honor or thank Franciscans, family members, friends, business associates. Fill out the form and mail it along with a \$10 donation. Funds will be used by the Regional Fraternity to help pay for publications aimed at benefiting the region’s fraternities (such as The Mirror and formation materials).

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# ANNUAL GATHERING REGISTRATION

Annual Ministers Gathering, April 25-27, Stella Maris Retreat Ctr, Skaneateles, NY

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## MULQUEEN TO GIVE SEMINAR ON LEADERSHIP

Anne Mulqueen, SFO, the U.S. councilor to the International Fraternity and former national formation co-director, will be a featured speaker at the Regional Annual Gathering, which takes place April 25-27 at Stella Maris Retreat Center, Skaneateles.

Following the business meeting on Friday, she will give a seminar on servant leadership.

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