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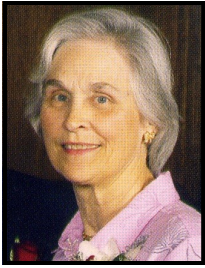
Newsletter for former Clinton Franciscans



Our Leadership Team took the opportunity to invite the former sisters living in the Anaheim, California area to join them for lunch while they attended a LCWR (Leadership Council of Women Religious) meeting. Pictured here (left to right) are Barbara Batista Stoffel, Sr. Jan Cebula, Frances Mullen Timassey, Sr. Ida Green, Karen Hunz Mangold and Sr. Anne Martin Phelan

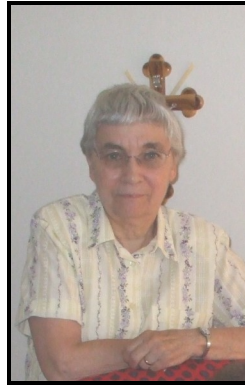


In August, Connie Ludwig (center) organized a gathering of friends of the Clinton Franciscans for Sisters Anne Martin and Mary Ann Phelan, who were visiting her in Las Vegas. Others pictured include (Left) Cathy Milder, Grace Kahovec (St. Francis de Paula alum), and Joel & Sybil Raiman.



Marguerite Delhotal Bloch '54 (Sr. Helen Marie) received the 2011 Ulyssean Award for the Oak Park River Forest community. (Ulyssean is the hero who is chronicled in Homer's epic poem *The*

Odyssey; a man with unflinching vision to accomplish his goal, to return to Ithaca.) The Ulyssean Award honors individuals in the Oak Park community who demonstrated commitment to the continued quest for life-long learning and they also have had significant involvement in and made contributions to the community which have served to broaden their social, educational and/or cultural horizons. CONGRATULATIONS !



Our prayers and sympathy go to **Barbara Marshall (Sister Giles)** who, with her family, are grieving the death of their mother, Rita Marshall. Rita was 94 and has lived her last few years at our Alverno, here in Clinton. Barbara lives in Des Moines, Iowa and has been a member of The Sisters for Christian Community for many years. She was a member of the Clinton Franciscan class of 1959.



Deborah Brown Jacobsen '65 (Sr. Karen) (on the left) became an Associate of the Sisters of St. Francis in October, 2011. Other new Associates made their commitment that same evening: (left) Patricia Outzen, Sister Jan Cebula, Joyce Ollie and Marion Johnson. Our Associates are individuals who seek to live the Gospel in the Franciscan spirit by forming a non-vowed partnership with the Sisters of St. Francis. Deb joins 70 other Clinton Franciscan Associates. Five other former sisters who are Associates are: **Sandy Jacobs '65 (Sr. Robert Ann)** and **Eleanore Birmingham Kilcoyne '48 (Sr. James)**, in Clinton. As well as **Ellen Mishur Zethmayr-Lolakos '61 (Sr. Miriam Rose)** in Chicago; **Ellen Theiss Flores '53 (Sr. Pius)** in California, **Dorothy Donovan '58 (Sr. Dorothy Ann)** in Boston.

MEMORIES
CLASS OF 1959



Back row: Mary Jane Kriegel, Anna Marie Marcalus, Sharon Musmann, Mary Clare Judge, Sister Peter, Mary Ann Weis, Marilyn Huegerich, Deborah Schneider, Susan Hansen.

Front row: Mary Ellen Gannon, Rosemary Herringer, Maureen Carlson, Barbara Marshall, Marie Baptista, Linda Fadell, Kathleen Gutierrez.

Mary Jane Kriegel Rich '59 (Sr. Steven): Since my retirement in 2005, I have done volunteer work for Catholic Media Productions which produces TV and radio broadcasts on the basic teachings of the Catholic faith. There is a website www.webelieveshow.org which explains the materials produced and samples of some of the programs which many people find useful for religious education. Some of the materials have been requested from Rome for educational use in Africa. The materials have been produced during the past 25 years by a theologian. We are presently attempting to gain more exposure by broadcasting the programs across the U.S. on both radio and television.



(from left) Sally Flanagan, Mary Ann Phelan, Pat Arnold, (front) Pat Moran and Evelyn McKenna visit on the front porch of the Canticle.

The Rockford-Macomb visitors dropped in on a beautiful fall day especially to visit Sr. Evelyn who has just moved into the Canticle.



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In this Advent/Christmas Season we ask you to please consider a gift to our **Retired Sisters Fund**

As you know, 'being retired' involves giving up important ministries and dealing with diminished health and physical activity.

In spite of these hardships, our retired sisters use these years to deepen their spiritual life and to spend time in prayer.

We are grateful for your generosity to our sisters for their years of service.

Sister Mary Jeanine Bradford died at The Alverno on November 4, 2011.

Born Alice Bradford in Fonda Iowa, the sixth of nine children, she entered the Sisters of St. Francis on September 8, 1954 and received the name Jeanine at her reception in June, 1955. Her novitiate classmates were Sisters Celeste Hanigan, Robert Mary Dwyer, Teresa Kunkel, Joan Theiss, Angela Marie Sherman, Charles Mary Chihak, Leo Marie Flanagan, Helen Marie Delhotal, Elaine Callahan and Ruth Cox.

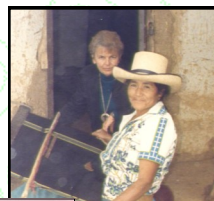
She served as an elementary teacher at St. Francis de Paula School, Chicago, Illinois, and in St. Margaret School, Chino, California. Jeanine taught for 21 years at Mary, Star of the Sea School, Freeport, Bahama Islands.

Jeanine served in religious education and parish ministry in Riverside, Hesperia; San Bernardino; and San Jacinto in California; in Peoria, Arizona; Clear Lake, Iowa; and Sun City, Arizona. She also served in the Diocese of Chuluchanas, Peru.

In July of 2010 she moved to the Canticle and then to the Alverno in October of 2010.



Jeanine celebrated her 50th Jubilee in 2004 with classmates: Celeste Hanigan, Ruth Cox, Joan Theiss, and Teresa Kunkel.



Mary Smith visited Jeanine during her many years of ministry in Arizona.



Jeanine in her ◀ Bahama Island days and then later in her ▲ Peru, S. A. ministry.

