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Emergency Preparedness

Bergamo staff underwent three hours of AED & CPR training on a staff day Tues., Aug. 4. Training was provided by the Beavercreek Beavercreek Fire Dept. The staff also reviewed new procedures for evacuation, severe weather, accident and shelter-in-place scenarios.

August Retreats/Events (Approx. # of Participants)
- Notre Dame Americorps (40) – July 31 - Aug. 1
- Pre Cana (120) – Aug. 1
- Facilitator meeting (15) – Aug. 3
- Bergamo Staff meeting (22) – Aug. 4
- NAIM (35) – Aug. 4
- Yoga (53) – Aug. 5-9
- St. Albert School Staff (30) - Aug. 12
- Center for Judeo Christians (35) - Aug. 12-15
- Immaculate Conception School Staff (15) – Aug. 14
- St. Dominic Parish Women (50) – Aug. 14-16
- Marianist Student Communities (60) – Aug. 16-17
- Goldsmith (5) – Aug. 17
- Mt. Notre Dame (45) – Aug. 17-18
- UD Teacher Education (50) – Aug. 18
- Summit Country Day Kairos Team (25) – Aug. 19
- Fenwick HS (50) – Aug. 19-20
- River of Life Church (20) – Aug. 20
- RCIA in the Parish (30) – Aug. 21-22
- Parent Prayer Service (40) – Aug. 22
- Fenwick HS (50) – Aug. 24-25
- Moeller HS Board (16) – Aug. 25
- Fenwick HS (50) – Aug. 26-27
- Goodwill Easter Seals Staff & Bd (20) – Aug. 27-28
- Church of the Brethren (75) – Aug. 28-30
- Carroll HS (45) – Aug. 30-31
- McAuley HS (40) – Aug. 31-Sept. 1

Quote

“We are not on earth as museum keepers, but to cultivate a flourishing garden of life and to prepare a glorious future.”

Saint Pope John XXIII

New Faces at the Front Desk and in the Kitchen

Bergamo Center announces the addition of three new staff members - Front Desk Receptionists - Lisa Baron and Diane Borchers and Dining Server Amy Lehmann. We welcome these ladies to the staff.

Midwest Native Plant Conference

One of the largest events at the Bergamo Center each year is the Midwest Native Plant Conference, held recently on July 24-26. Over 175 guests enjoyed the Bergamo Center and grounds for two days of talks and walks around the property with a focus on native plants. The picture below of native wildflowers was taken in our Bergamo Courtyard.

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Update on Bocce at Bergamo

Bocce court number 1 has been completed thanks to the efforts of Eagle Scout candidate Andrew Volk. We are now looking for support to construct at least one more court and willing to accept any private donations or leads to other possible supporting organizations. The Marianists have a safe and secure online portal for making donations to the Marianist Retreat Centers. The link is:

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Please be sure to note in the “Donate to Specific Retreat Center” box Bergamo / Bocce. Our goal is an additional $1,200 for scouts to begin construction of an additional court.

August Staff Birthdays

- Gene Ketter - August 27
- Lindsey Fairbanks - August 27
- Joe Keller - August 31

Marianist Feast Days in August

- The Transfiguration of the Lord – Aug. 6
- Blessed Jakob Gapp – Aug. 13
- Assumption of BVM – Aug. 15
- Queenship of Mary – Aug. 22

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