

# **The Open Window - Summer 2019**

Newsletter of the Bergamo Center for Lifelong Learning in Dayton, Ohio.



## Renew, Rebuild, Restore

Work commenced this first week of August on the Bergamo Center capital improvement project to upgrade the lodging units. These capital improvements represent an opportunity to renew, rebuild and restore the Bergamo Center. Demolition of the walls in Unit 1 began this week. There are 5 lodging units and each unit will be completed as a separate phase. The work is anticipated to take 2 years. The

phased areas are sealed from other parts of the building as the work is conducted. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience and noise the project may cause.

The project is funded collaboratively by the Marianist Province of the United States and the Bergamo Center. The project is designed to enhance the reflective atmosphere of the center as well as guests' health, safety and comfort during their experience at the Bergamo Center. The project is expected to include:

- · Upgraded HVAC system
- Humidity control
- New plumbing and bath fixtures
- · Increased water pressure
- · New roof autters
- · Bedroom wall insulation
- New windows
- · Exterior maintenance
- · Interior painting and wallboard work



The Bergamo Center will remain open and guests and groups will still be welcome while the capital improvement work is being completed. If individuals or leaders have concerns about lodging, they should contact either Brent Devitt, the Executive Director of the Bergamo Center, at 937-426-2363 brentd@bergamocenter.org or Jeff Bohrer, Director of Mount St. John Facilities, 937-429-0795 jbohrer@sm-usa.org.



### Tour de Gem Support of Renew, Rebuild, Restore

Bergamo Executive Director - Brent Devitt, wife Michele Devitt and Dr. Kathryn Tchorz are riding in the Tour de Gem on Sept. 1 Dayton's charity fundraiser. The Tour de Gem is a cycling event to highlight the Dayton region for cyclists of all ages and abilities. In its inaugural year in 2018 the Tour de Gem raised thousands of dollars in funds for over 30 local charities. Proceeds will directly 100% support the Bergamo Center Renew, Rebuild, Restore project.

Please consider making a pledge to support the Bergamo Team at the link below!

#### Tour de Gem Website

Simply search for Bergamo and select a Bergamo cyclist to support!



Midwest Native Plant

Society

## **Midwest Native Plant Society Conference**

The Bergamo Center hosted its largest event of the year for the Midwest Native Plant Society on July 26-28, 2019. The Center was open to as many as 225 registrants in the conference. It took some some creative thinking on the part of Bergamo staff and Conference planners and the work of our new Environmental Services Coordinator Rob Fortener to install a new 8' x 16' screen on the back of the Roncalli Assembly which made it possible for additional conference attendees to comfortably participate this year. This is now a feature that can be offered to other Bergamo Groups in the future.

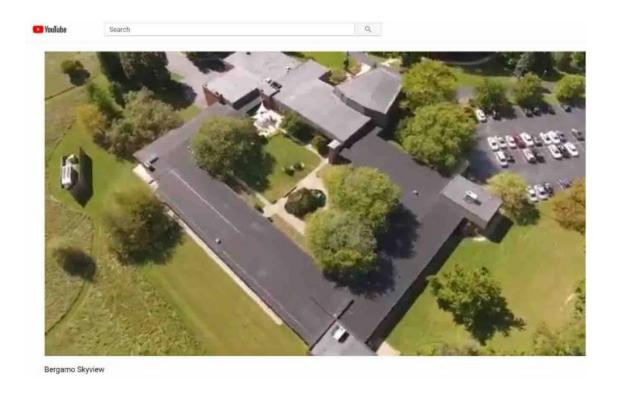


### How Well are We Serving You?

If you have been to the Bergamo Center recently and would like to share feedback with us you may be interested in knowing we have recently developed an online version of our satisfaction survey through Constant Contact. If you have visited the Bergamo Center in the last 6 months and would like to give us your feedback on your stay please follow this link to the Bergamo Evaluation Survey.

Thank you for your recent visit to the Bergamo Center for Lifelong Learning. We are committed to making your visits with us fulfilling and enjoyable. We value your feedback. Thanks for taking the time to complete our survey!

**Sky view footage of the Bergamo Center** 



"Let us always put our hopes in God, who never ceases giving us abundant grace . .

He is faithful to His promises; whoever hopes in Him will never be disappointed."

Adele de Batz de Trenquelleon



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