

Elizabeth Ann Compton checked out the Loretto Community Facebook page and posted a message to Loretto fans. Loretto officially launched its page on the popular social networking site in December 2010. The Loretto Community Facebook page served as another communication and promotional tool to better get the word out about Loretto and its work, particularly Jubilee celebrations. Facebook offered a great way to reconnect with those who know Loretto and those who would like to know us better.



Jean Schildz began her work as Communications Director in April, working half time for Loretto. Jean participated with Loretto groups as a consultant, including with the Coordinating Team and the Jubilee Committee.

A billboard in Jean's Communications Office displayed clippings highlighting Loretto in the news. The examples represented only a small part of the media coverage Loretto received throughout the year via the Internet, radio, television, print and other media outlets. The Communications Office assisted in this effort to promote Loretto and its works.



Hundreds of women religious from the St. Louis area, including several members of the Loretto Community gathered at "Together on the Journey: Charisms Transforming Us," an LCWR Region X-sponsored event this past August at the May Center of DePaul Health Center in Bridgeton. Participants sought to deepen their solidarity with each other and enhance their ability to articulate the life and mission of women religious in the world today. Donna Day was one of the event's planners and led the reflection and conversation that day on the group's gifts, challenges and hopes. As part of the collaborative effort, the Loretto Communications Office assisted in preparing materials for the event. The Loretto Communications Office routinely worked with various organizations throughout the year to spread the good news about Loretto and women religious in general.



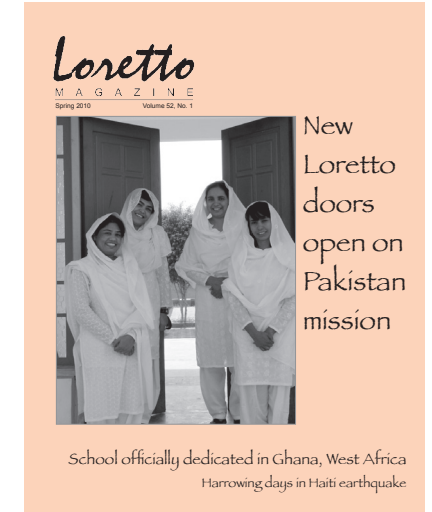
During 2010 the *Interchange* editors were Trish Dunn, Kim Klein, Mary Ann McGivern and Lillian Moskeland who worked with Martha Alderson, editorial manager. The purpose of *Interchange* is to keep the community informed of actions and events within the community as Loretto works toward systemic change in society.

The 11 issues featured front-page articles about a final vow ceremony, two co-membership celebrations, golden and silver jubilees, a doctorate, a 100th birthday, retreats and programs, and the Apostolic Visitation. Other articles included reports on peace demonstrations, the September Gathering, interviews with members about their work and service, and obituaries — among other newsworthy items.



Loretto Reprints is a compilation of news about the Loretto Community's members and mission. It was published in January, June and October of 2010.

Publications are available by email and are featured on the Loretto website.



Loretto Magazine was published three times during the year to a circulation of 6,000+ donors and friends of Loretto. The publication covered the ministries and missions of the Loretto Community. Feature articles covered our missions in Pakistan and Ghana, as well as Loretto-supported work in earthquake-torn Haiti.

In a continuing series of articles highlighting Loretto history from our foundation in 1812 to the upcoming 200th Jubilee in 2012, the stories examined the period from 1900 through 1990. Each feature followed Loretto's contributions to education both in the U.S. and China, Latin America, and Africa as well as the changes in the Community following Vatican II.

The stories of our sisters and co-members who attained their diamond, golden and silver Jubilee years in the Loretto Community continued as favorite segments in the magazine.

Loretto Heritage Center: Archives and Museum



In April 2010, Loretto contracted with the professional design team of Michael Huesler and Joyce Cheney to design the Heritage Museum at Loretto Motherhouse. Community members Denise Ann Clifford, Eleanor Craig, Antoinette Doyle, Roberta Hudlow, Kate Misbauer, Janet Rabideau and Susan Swain served on the Design Team. A generous Loretto donor financed this phase of the Heritage Center project.



During the summer a workshop at the Loretto Archives began the process of "dreaming the design." In mid-November the Design Team reconvened to refine the direction the exhibits would take and make plans for materials and stories to be requested from the community at large. In late December, Donna Mattingly joined the team as our official scanner of Loretto images to be used in the initial phase of the Heritage Center exhibits. Marie Ego joined the design team as our liaison with Bob Strobridge who is designing banners for the Heritage Center.

Jubilee Committee

Members of the Jubilee Committee, Denise Ann Clifford, Eleanor Craig, Joy Gerity, Jane German, Marian McAvoy, Cathy Mueller, Jean Schildz, Vicki Schwartz, and Susan Swain, spent 2010 coordinating both Community-wide and regional events. The book, *Century of Change*, was in the final draft stage by the end of the year. Loretto was talking with the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth about a joint celebration as both religious communities will mark 200 years in 2012.

The committee was able to start a tentative calendar of regional events, and the Heritage Center: Archives and Museum was in the design phase getting ready for the 2012 dedication. Loretto schools were already planning their Jubilee 2012 events, and the complicated logistics for the 2012 Loretto Community Homecoming at the Motherhouse scheduled for Foundation Day were jointly underway with this committee and a Motherhouse committee.



Gifting Loretto Designations & Distribution: 2010

Sisters of Loretto Retirement Fund	328,000
General Fund	123,700
FST / Loretto School Campus, Akokoamong, Ghana, West Africa	211,600
Estate Gifts: Non-designated	27,400
Gifts of Stock	9,500
Loretto Archives / Heritage Center	83,000
Loretto Africa Project	1,000
Loretto Hunger Fund	6,000
Memorials / Gifts of Honor	9,000
Missions / Ministries	37,400
Special Appeals	120,900
Temporarily Restricted Gifts	93,000
Total Giving:	\$1,050,500

See *Loretto Development Office 2010 Annual Report of Financial Gifts* under Annual Reports on this website for a full report.



The Fifteenth Annual Golf Tournament, August 2010, was a success due to the cooperative efforts of the development staff plus many Loretto volunteers who worked hours to prepare and host this annual event. One hundred golfers enjoyed a day on the links followed by the live and silent auction / dinner at the Denver Loretto Center.



Many Denver-area Loretto members graciously lent a helping hand to facilitate mailing projects. Volunteers put in many hours, as did these three — Marietta Goy, Benedicta Feeney, and Imelda Therese Marquez.

Development



The Development Team of Denise Ann Clifford and Carolyn Dunbar (*above*) and Lydia Peña and Donna Mattingly (*below*).



Loretto volunteers rested after a long day's work with the Golf Dinner / Auction. Some of the volunteers spent months in preparation for the event.

Special Needs

Loretto never works alone in building the future. We are called to work collaboratively with all people of good will, reaching beyond boundaries imposed by differences that separate us.

In 2010, the Loretto Special Needs Fund awarded grants ranging from \$250 to \$7500 to fund nearly 40 social change projects worldwide. Emergency grants to economically disadvantaged individuals and families totaled \$41,100. Emergency assistance helped families challenged by unemployment and illness, with floods, fires and other natural disasters. Grants helped women and children needing to move from abusive situations, families facing eviction, immigrants resettling in the U.S., former inmates reentering society, and families faced with funeral expenses.

Each group, each individual, funded works as Loretto does: building our common future one room at a time.

Committee members in 2010 included Martha Fly, Pat Frueh, Kathleen O'Malley and Georgeann Hanson. Sue Rogers served as staff liaison.

Projects funded in 2010 included:

The Conflict Center, Denver. An inclusivity project addressing race, sexual identity and income issues, \$3000.

Discovery Trails, Kansas City, KS. The California Trail and Lewis and Clark summer trek with visually impaired teens, \$2500.

Escuela de Guadalupe, Denver. Graduate support program to ensure students' continued educational success



and graduation as they enter English dominant public schools, \$2500.

English Tutoring Program, St Louis. A tutoring program for immigrant children needing to learn English for school success, \$3000.

Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light, Louisville. A program to assist poor neighborhoods reduce energy consumption, \$2400.



Jesus, Haiti. Earthquake relief and recovery, \$5000 and \$3000.

WATER, Silver Spring, Maryland. "Teleconferencing for Social Change" project to educate women in theology, \$1000.

El Paso Villa Maria, El Paso. Case management services for homeless women in a transitional housing program, \$4000.

Volunteer Missionary Movement, Mejicanos, El Salvador. A program to counter youth violence and provide academic assistance and support, \$2000.

Leadership for Social Change, St. Louis. A training program for emerging social change leaders, \$3000.

Little Sisters of St Therese of The Child

Still Harbor, Boston. A program providing mental health counseling and support to the Haitian community in Boston following the earthquake in Haiti, \$3000.

Las Mujeres Hablan, Española, New Mexico. A series of public education sessions prior to hearings regarding Las Alamos Nuclear Laboratory's request for a permit to generate, store and treat hazardous waste in the Española community, \$2000.

Let's Start, St. Louis. A program providing support and mentoring for women and their children during and following incarceration, \$7000.



The Singer Institute, St. Louis. A program training senior volunteers to work with at risk residents of area nursing homes, \$1500.

Centro Santa Catalina, Juarez, Mexico. Incentive funding for school fees for children of women attending a values and decision making program, \$6000.



Ecclesia Ministries, Boston. "City Reach," an overnight urban outreach program educating suburban youth and adults about the realities of homelessness, \$7500.

New Foundations Nonviolence Center, Denver. "Alternatives to Violence" and other support programming for inmates at the Denver Woman's Correction Facility, \$3000.

La Casita Center, Louisville. "Latina Woman's Movement"—a program to develop structured support groups for Latina Women, \$7500.

Passionist Earth and Spirit Center, Louisville. Funding for the development and expansion for "Lent 4.5—Christian Spirituality," a parish-based Lenten program



promoting earth care and environmental awareness, \$7500.

Research Journalism International, Denver. "Gateways for Collaborative Advocacy," a technology assisted program providing social justice and human rights training for youths from the US, Canada, Israel, and Occupied Palestinian territory, \$7500.

VOSERDEM, Cochabamba, Bolivia. Support for Altiplano grandmothers caring for grandchildren and the Vicki Quatmann Center, \$5100.

Bethlehem High School, Bardstown, Kentucky. To provide a subsidy to enable a child from a Mexican immigrant family attend a Catholic high school, \$4000.

New Ways Ministry, Mt. Rainer, Maryland. "Women-Journey" a project serving lesbian religious women and congregational leadership in dealing with issues of homophobia and heterosexism in religious communities, \$3000.



L'Arche St. Louis. Direct housing expense for the first month of operation for a new L'Arche community serving persons with developmental disabilities, \$7500.

Equal Justice, USA, Brooklyn, New York. Continuing efforts to abolish the death penalty in Missouri, Illinois and Ohio, \$4000.

Witness for Peace, Washington, DC. "Mexico: Roots of Immigration," a project promoting immigration reform by providing education about the economic roots of the current immigration crisis, \$6000.

La Congregation des Soeurs Bene-Terezya, Burundi, Africa. Support to build a barn, purchase tools and expand the goat herd of a pastoral-agricultural program helping a village of women who survived the civil war to reach economic sustainability, \$7500.

Archdiocese of Faisalabad, Faisalabad, Pakistan. Flood relief efforts. \$5000 and \$3000.

Comunidad Emergency Fund, Denver. An "economic sanctuary" program assisting immigrant refugees from Arizona resettling in the Denver area, \$500.

Downtown Teens, St. Louis. A program providing neighborhood development and work skill training and job opportunities for inner city teens, \$500.



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Interfaith Legal Services for Immigrants, St. Louis. To help meet a challenge grant opportunity which would provide funding for immigrants' court fees, duplication of documents and other legal support services, \$500.



Bob Strobridge, Florimont-Gaumier, France. To pay postage to ship cloth shopping bags for a Haitian relief project, \$500.

Denine LeBlanc, Louisville. To help fund a concert tour on military bases housing troops about to deploy to the Afghanistan and Iraq, \$500.

St Joseph's Indian School, Chamberlain, South Dakota . A donation to the school requested by community group 25, \$500.

Kansas City Academy, Kansas City, Missouri. Follow-up activities after a student UN trip, \$250.



Midwest Medical Missions, St. Louis. To purchase supplies to support a medical mission trip to the Dominican Republic, \$500.

First Call, Kansas City, Missouri. Funding to make "How to Cope" classes available in Uganda to families and loved ones of persons sickened by alcoholism and drug addiction in Uganda, \$500.

Think Outside the Bomb, Santa Fe. Disarmament Summer Encampment for youth, \$500.

Grassroots Institute for Fundraising Training Oakland, California. A donation to offset the translation of fund raising materials services used in a series of classes in Guatemala, \$500.

Mayflower UCC, Denver. Food and shelter for refugee immigrant families fleeing repressive Arizona laws targeting immigrants, \$500.

Dr San Juana Mendoza, Anapra, Mexico. To provide secure storage for donated medications at the Cristo Rey Clinic, \$500.

Loretto Hunger Fund, Nerinx, Kentucky. A donation requested by Special Needs Committee members, \$1600.

Hunger Fund

The Hunger Fund Allocation Committee received 16 requests in response to its announcement in the September 2010 issue of *Interchange*. This fall, a total of \$13,000, all collected from donations, was available for disbursement. Members of the committee were Michaela Collins, Ann Francis Gleason, Mary Fran Lottes, and Cecily Jones, convener.

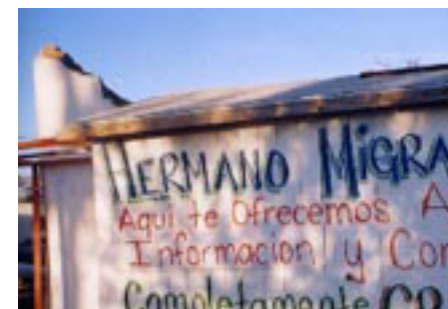
The following is a list of the allocations.

Migrant Resource Center, Naco, Sonora, Mexico. This center, where Mary Bundy has volunteered and which was visited by Latin American/Caribbean Committee members in the fall 2010, offers soup, coffee, sandwiches to immigrants apprehended by the U.S. Border Patrol and deported. In 2008 and 2009, the fund helped with \$1,87, \$300.

Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Center, Denver. Money given here, where Barbara Schulte, Marietta Goy, Benedicta Feeny, and Kathleen O'Malley volunteer, is used to purchase meat and other commodities needed in the food pantry. The center served 11,000 families, involving 36,482 persons, in the September 2009-September 2010 year, \$1200.

Plowshares Farm Center for Education and Spirituality, Buffalo, Kentucky. Funds are used to support Isidore's Harvest, a program of this center providing fresh produce, meat, and eggs to local poor families. Co-member-in-process Bob Ernst, the director, made the request, \$500.

Jemez Helping Hands, Jemez Springs, New Mexico. Since 2000, the Hunger Fund has given grants to this agency, which



serves both the local communities and the Jemez and Zia Pueblos. Karen Knoll is treasurer; Delores Kincaide works at the "Clothes Closet," \$1000.

Centre Street Food Pantry, Center, Massachusetts. Mary Lou Pierron requested help for this newly launched project of an ecumenical group, including her parish; the center is housed at an Episcopal church. The grant was for specified shelving, a Health Department requirement for food banks; the pantry, which opened this January, will be a partner of the Greater Boston Food Bank, \$500.

Judy Popp's Work, Marion County, Kentucky. Each year the Hunger Fund helps support Judy's efforts to assist the needy in this county. The grant to her, requested by Barbara Croghan, is always the largest disbursement, \$2500.

The Caring Place, Lebanon, KY. This shelter, with which Loretto has long been involved, uses food assistance for meals for the women and children who seek safety from abuse, \$600.

Back Bay Mission, Biloxi, Mississippi. This mission of the United Church of Christ offers food and other help to the poor and homeless. After Katrina, Peg Jacobs was a long-term volunteer there. She noted that the Gulf oil spill added another dimension of need. The Hunger Fund has helped in 2005, 2008, and 2009, \$500.

St. Vincent de Paul Church, St. Louis. This inner-city parish as well as the next two entries have been long-time favorite charities of the 590 community. Michaela Collins requested the help. \$1000 Sts. Peter and Paul Church, St. Louis. See preceding entry, \$1000.



Hosea House, St. Louis. This is part of the Guardian Angel Settlement Association dedicated to assisting the poor, \$500.

Villa Maria, El Paso. Funds given to this transitional living center for 22 homeless women, staffed by Helen Santamaria

and Mary Margaret Murphy, will be used to purchase fresh fruit and vegetables. In three earlier years, the Hunger Fund contributed a total of \$590, \$800.

Beatrice Nevares, Santa Fe. Formerly the founder/director of *Bienvenidos* Outreach, Beatrice now helps feed the poor of Santa Fe in a new ministry. She requested money for purchase of turkeys and food for Thanksgiving, \$600.



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Meal Program, Sts. Peter and Paul, St. Louis. Jane Corbett, Loretto friend, coordinates a monthly dinner at this inner-city parish, \$500.

Haiti Orphan Rescue. Jane Corbett, for many years a volunteer worker for the needs of Haiti, requested money for this agency. The Hunger Fund has supported her earlier efforts in that country, \$1000.

School Children in Sudan. Sister Philippa Murphy, a sabbatical colleague of Anthony Mary Sartorius, works with the poor, especially children, in South Sudan. Anthony requested help for these children "who are having a difficult time obtaining food due to floods, political unrest, and their extreme poverty," \$500.