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LACC: AT THE BORDER



About this issue . . .

We're in the midst of winter as this issue goes to press. Christmas is past; we've entered a new year, a new decade. At Loretto, our hope and our works remain strong.

In this issue:

We celebrate the 50th anniversary of Loretto Co-membership and highlight our three newest co-members (in order of their acceptance): Molly Kammien, Earna Rae Volk and Leslee Moore. Pages 6-10

Havern School, founded by the Sisters of Loretto in 1966, and one of the first in the nation established specifically to educate children with learning disabilities, continues Loretto's tradition of educational excellence. Pages 11-14

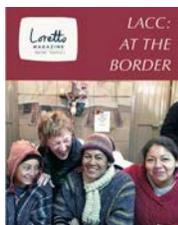
Judy Popp SL began her social work job in 1973 and is still going strong. Page 15

Loretto provides assistance at the border, where the crisis worsens for families seeking asylum. Pages 16-17

"Pakistani society is very patriarchal," writes Nasreen Daniel SL in this story of a mother and her son Daim, a student at St. Anthony's in Lahore. Page 18

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Front cover:
 Mary Jean Friel CoL, at rear, with refugees seeking assistance at a shelter in Arizona. Sign in Spanish reads, "Let's take care of our water. Please do not open the faucet totally. Thank you."

Photo courtesy Mary Jean Friel CoL



Back cover:
 Christmas 2019 at the Motherhouse.
 Clockwise from left:
 Johanna Brian SL and Liz Perez SL;
 Sue Charmley SL and Cecilia Skees SL;
 Denise Ann Clifford SL, Loretto staff member
 Nicole Martinez, Marlene Spero SL

Photos by Nicole Martinez and Liz Perez SL

LORETTO COMMUNITY

Sisters of Loretto • Co-members of Loretto

We work for justice and act for peace because the Gospel urges us.

Loretto Community members teach, nurse, care for the elderly, lobby, minister in hospitals, provide spiritual direction and counseling, resettle refugees, staff parishes, try to stop this country's nuclear weapons build-up, work with the rural poor, and minister to adults in need. Our ministries are diverse.

The Loretto Community, founded in 1812 as the Sisters of Loretto, is a congregation of Catholic vowed Sisters and both lay and religious Co-members.

Loretto co-members are those who, by mutual commitment, belong to the Community through a sharing of spirit and values, and by participating in activities that further our mission.

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Dear Reader,

Loretto Magazine Editor Christina Manweller has done a great job gathering up stories and photos to present to you for this winter edition. I hope that you find much in these stories of Loretto life that

is heart-warming even as there may be a chill in the air.

A story that lingers, and I sometimes wonder if it is anecdotal or a real memory, is something Mary Luke Tobin SL once observed about this time of year. Reportedly, as she listened to some voices that noted how bleak, sun-less and stark it all seemed outside, Luke’s eye had caught something not so obvious when tall grass, crops, and flush, green-leaf trees filled the Motherhouse landscape: “Look how you can see all the contours of the land, little hillocks giving way to taller rises, and all the subtle color variations, beige to brown, gray to black.” I never again looked at winter-Earth as uninviting and have enjoyed the opportunity to discover a new “hillock.”

Some of you may have also heard Luke calling us to look at the nighttime sky as she recited the names of planets, stars and constellations, moon-phases, and even speeding satellites. There are many sources of artificial light as I step outside in the crisp winter night air and still there is magic in that blackest sky with its brightest pinpoints of light.

I invite us all to keep looking for images of the gifts of winter that we may have never noticed before. Those Magi of old may never have considered that in 2,000 years, their words would still linger: We have seen a Star in the East! Let’s tell each other what we have seen and count it all as blessing.

Happy New Year.

Sister Barbara Nicholas SL

Barbara Nicholas SL
President of Loretto

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Sister Barbara Nicholas SL



Moon at 3 a.m. on the Gulf of Mexico at Destin, Florida.
Photo by Barbara Nicholas SL

Sisters of Loretto honored in El Paso

The Option for the Poor Award was given in recognition of the sisters' many years of service "Working for Justice and acting for Peace in the El Paso Diocese."

At the ceremony in El Paso, Texas, in November, Helen Santamaria SL gave the keynote, a reflection on the call of the Gospel to end racism today. Loretto Academy Alumna, Sofia Larkin '87 read the proclamation; the Rev. Ben Flores, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, presented the award to the sisters on behalf of Bishop Mark Seitz, who was traveling.



Photo by Pilar Gonzalez CoL

From left: Elisa Rodriguez SL, Helen Santamaria SL, Mary Margaret Murphy SL, Liz Deines SL
Mary E. "Buffy" Boesen SL not pictured.

Local high school students volunteer at the Loretto Motherhouse



Front row from the left: Mary Swain SL, Bella Spalding, Leah Wright and Kristi Martin. Middle row: Club Sponsor Laurie Followell, Isabella Vittitow, Abigail Mattingly, Sarah Blandford, Club Sponsor Caroline Colvin, Susan Classen CoL and Amanda Mattingly. Middle back row: Nicole Fields, Savannah Smith, Lily Thompson, Lily Lyons and Aubrey Brady. Back Row: MCHS Principal and SMILE Club Adviser Robby Peterson, Kelly Hutchins, Eli Thomas, Wyatt Hamilton, Zach Mullins and Harry VanWhy.

Photo by Michael Bickett

Students from the Marion County High School (Lebanon, Ky.) Smile Club volunteered at the Motherhouse and Infirmary in November. They mulched the court-

yard, played games with the Infirmary residents, helped individuals with technology, and delivered goody bags to the Infirmary. They also enjoyed lunch with the sisters and residents.

Loretto Denver busy with events



Attending the Motherhouse Land Preservation gathering in October 2019, from left: Mary Ellen McElroy SL, Joan Spero SL, Pat McCormick SL and Lisa Reynolds CoL



Jessie Rathburn CoL, Earth Education and Advocacy Coordinator, presents at the Land Preservation meeting.



Discussion at the Motherhouse Land Preservation gathering; fom left: Joan Spero SL, Michele Stimac CoL, Loretto Volunteer Becca Krasky and Anna Koop SL.

Photos by Mary Nelle Gage SL



Left: Yana Ludwig leads a facilitation training in January 2020. Libby Comeaux, CoL, on the left; Amy-Beth Fischhoff, Nyland Co-Housing, right. Photo by Lisa Reynolds CoL.

Top: In November 2019, Andy Loving and Joel Koerner from Just Money presented on investing responsibly. Photo by Sue Kenney CoL

Co-membership: Forging a

Co-membership began as a means for those who were deeply connected to Loretto to have an alternative, non-canonical way of formally belonging to the Community.

Lisa Reynolds CoL



Photos, clockwise from top: Co-members Kaye Edwards, Jessie Rathburn, Mary Jean Friel and Rosa Lizarde; Byron Plumley CoL and George McShea CoL; Pilar Gonazalez CoL at left with La Sagrada Familia sisters from Guatemala; Sharon Kassing SL and Sonja Novo CoL.



singular path for 50 years



In my role as the co-membership coordinator, I am blessed to get to know the co-members-in-process. To share with these individuals our love of Loretto, its members and its values, to do readily what is asked because our commitment is so deep, to walk in the mystery of being a part of something that is often hard to define but clearly felt as a calling or connection beyond words, are nothing less, in my mind, than a divine gift.

Lisa Reynolds CoL

Co-membership history

Loretto's mission is ... increasingly [carried on] by others who share Loretto life, spirit, and values. Co-members have for years served on the Loretto staff and as teachers and principals at Loretto-sponsored schools, committee members, educators, center coordinators, forum members, retreat center directors. They have led peace and justice efforts, have represented Loretto at the UN, have been Loretto's face in Latin America.

- In 1970, professed sisters vote to approve a new form of community membership for lay people at the General Assembly in August. Two former sisters become the first co-members.
- In 1971, two sisters receive dispensation from their vows (one from another order), and became co-members.
- By the end of 1973, Loretto had welcomed 18 co-members, including the first lay co-member and the first male co-member.
- In 1977, Loretto approved the creation of an official co-member process and the appointment of a co-membership director to oversee the process.

Today Lisa Reynolds, a Loretto co-member, acts as Co-membership Coordinator. There are 195 co-members.

Cecily Jones SL

Thanks to Eleanor Craig SL and Mary Seematter CoL, whose material was used for research and background information,

Newest co-members bring a spirit of service,

Molly Kammien

Accepted as a co-member on December 8, 2018

Molly has a long history with Loretto. Her great aunt Elizabeth Ann Compton was a Sister of Loretto, her mother Ann Kammien is a co-member, and her grandmother was a graduate of Nerinx High School, a Loretto school. Molly also attended Nerinx, where she gained a keen awareness of social justice and women's issues, learned of Loretto's strong sense of community and the importance of independent thinking.

Molly's strong sense of social justice, her compassion and kindness, and her delightful personality will be long-lived assets to Loretto.

Molly thanks the Loretto Community, especially Community Group 21 and Lisa Reynolds, for endless support in the co-membership process.

Recently married to Connor O'Shea, Molly and Connor live in Brooklyn, New York, where they practice law.



Molly with her great aunt Elizabeth Ann Compton SL



Molly's heart is so open ... it sometimes seems that she would be fragile, but she is the opposite — clear and fierce in knowing the values by which she chooses to live and how those values inform and permeate her life. Molly's values are unmistakably Loretto's values, and she has demonstrated her desire to live those values as a committed member of the Loretto Community, a community she has known all her life.

Sally Dunne CoL, formerly Loretto's UN NGO representative with whom Molly did her internship

Photos by Ann Compton Kammien CoL and Rosa Lizarde CoL

share in spirituality & enrich community ties

Earna Rae Volk

Accepted as a co-member on March 17, 2019

Earna fell in love with the Sisters of Loretto as soon as she stepped foot on the grounds of the Motherhouse. Her devotion grew from working as a nurse aide into her role as an active co-member. She spoke of Loretto being a Community that has “bonded me to something deeper than I had ever experienced.”

Earna has worked as the receptionist for the Motherhouse for almost seven years. She also assists the sisters, taking them shopping, out to eat, helping with their computers, and out to play bingo. “I do anything for them that I can.” One sister commented, “She spends a lot of time just talking with Infirmary residents who come down to visit with her. I have been truly inspired by her compassion and kindness with everyone.”

Born in Lancaster, Kentucky, Earna now lives in Lebanon, Kentucky, with her partner, Kevin Stumph. She has two living siblings, a sister and brother, and a grown son.

Top right: Earna at her acceptance ceremony with Agnes Ann Schum SL. Right: Nancy Wittwer SL and Earna. Below: Earna with Angela Bianco SL.



Earna understands and espouses Loretto values, takes an active role in many events here at the Motherhouse. Her buoyant personality and real care are testaments to who she is.

Earna is a vital part of this Community.

Angela Bianco SL

Photos by Peg Jacobs CoL and Nicole Martinez



Leslee Moore

Accepted as a co-member on June 9, 2019

Leslee is serving as a volunteer in the Loretto Heritage Center. She also serves on the Pakistan Mission Committee and attended the U.N. Commission on the Status of Women, sharing her experiences with the Community upon her return. Leslee is the newest editor of *Interchange*, Loretto’s internal newsletter. She is a familiar visitor at the Loretto Motherhouse on Sundays for Mass and dinner.

Leslee first connected with Loretto in 2016, as she explored various communities. After attending a Loretto retreat in May 2017, she never looked back. “That quiet space deep within me knows this is where I belong. ... I have been given so much by this Community that I could never give back enough to properly show my gratitude. The journey that began at the retreat in May of 2017 is a lifelong commitment, a true calling.”

Born in Poughkeepsie, New York, Leslee’s family moved to Lexington, Kentucky, when she was 3 years old. She has lived in central Kentucky since. She attended public school and 11 years of catechism class. Leslee and her husband, David, live in Lexington and have two sons and two grandchildren.



Photos by Peg Jacobs CoL



Sylvia Sedillo SL with Leslee at Leslee’s co-member acceptance ceremony

I hope in return I can bring to the Community an energy and a capacity for hard work that can be put to good use.

Leslee Moore CoL

Award-winning Infirmary puts needs of residents first



By Betty McWilliams SL
President, Infirmary Resident Council

The Resident Council at the Loretto Motherhouse Infirmary seeks to understand better the needs of residents and improve quality of life.

The Council, made up of Loretto Community members and lay residents, holds elections annually, with officers beginning their terms on January 1 each year.

Since instituting the Council, we have seen a doubling in the number of residents attending our Infirmary resident monthly meetings. Every resident has the opportunity to speak and all concerns are followed up on at the following meeting. Minutes are kept according to federal guidelines.

Residents who are not members of the Loretto Community are involved in all activities, as they are part of the “family.”

We have well-trained, conscientious Infirmary staff who try to know and respond to each resident’s idiosyn-

crasies. Their mantra is, “If you need anything, just turn on your light.”

We will continue to listen and respond to needs that improve the quality of life. We are truly blessed!

Infirmary activities include

trips to restaurants, concerts and plays; picnics and outings; baking; card games and bingo; tai chi classes; Saturday movies; educational presentations.

Religious activities include

daily Mass; rosary group; spirituality and mindfulness sessions; Reconciliation in church or in the resident’s room; monthly Exposition and Benediction; periodic Sacrament of the Sick.

Loretto Motherhouse Infirmary named a 2019 Best of Kentucky Facility

“Loretto Motherhouse Infirmary has consistently maintained a five-star rating ...”

Chris Page, KAHCF Board Chair

The Infirmary was recently honored with the Best of Kentucky – Nursing and Rehabilitation award at the Kentucky Association of Health Care Facilities’ Quality Awards Banquet in Louisville.

Medicaid Services (CMS) ratings, in addition to surveys of residents and families. Loretto Motherhouse Infirmary has consistently maintained a five-star CMS rating.

“This recognition is a testament to their dedication to their residents,” said KAHCF Board Chair Chris Page. The Best of Kentucky – Nursing and Rehabilitation honorees were selected based on Centers for Medicare and



Michelle Essex
Infirmary Administrator

Havern School alive with Loretto's legacy

In this area, from Texas to California, we're one of the only schools that serves students with learning disabilities in an intervention model, with the goal of teaching the kids to go back into their community. The service that we provide is really needed.

Ellen Hall



Havern students visit Anton Slechticky SL and Mary Charles Ward SL.



How can we serve our Community?

By Christina Manweller

Havern School has always been on the cutting edge of educating children with learning disabilities. The Denver-area Sisters of Loretto opened the school in 1966, after Sisters Barbara Schulte and Dorothy Hurley were educated in how to teach in this newly-developing field. At the time, learning disabilities, as they were later called, went largely undiagnosed.

Once students graduate Havern and return to regular schools, their success rate is phenomenal. Havern students have a 95 percent high school graduation rate. These are kids who, because of their struggles, would have been at a higher-than-average risk of dropping out.

I spoke with Ellen Hall in September 2019, shortly after she began her tenure as Head of School. She has worked for the school for eight years, previously as Director of Education.

Please share a story that will help us understand how Havern School changes lives.

One recent story that comes to mind is of a student who came to Havern as a fifth grader. He was reading at a first-grade level when he came; his dyslexia was impacting his schooling, his self-esteem and his friendships. He was an extremely hard worker and came to school every day to do what was hardest for him — learn to read. At the end of eighth grade he gave a speech to 120 people about his time at Havern. In this speech he said that when he came to Havern he felt like he was broken and thought he would never learn to read. He explained that not only did he



Celine Marie De Smet SL teaching in 1979.

Photos courtesy Havern School and Eleanor Craig SL

learn how to read, but he learned skills to be successful in school and he felt confidence in himself.

Now a junior at a local high school, he has made the honor roll. When I spoke with him last month, he told me that school was difficult, but that he knew he would be successful if he worked hard.

Just as we, as educators, have changed the lives of students, they have touched our hearts. We are proud of, and inspired by, their hard work, perseverance and success.

Ellen, what do you most love about Havern School?

The community is what makes our school a special place. The students, the families and the faculty all work together toward one goal — the success of our students. Our families make many sacrifices so their children can attend school here — they drive from 48 different zip codes, for instance. The students feel accepted and so do the parents. Faculty all feel a passion for their work and the students. We are truly a family.

What is the school's biggest challenge?

Because we're an intervention model, we always have students at every grade level joining our school while

others are returning to their home schools. That is what we want; we want the kids to gain the skills and go back into the community. Although this can make admissions difficult, we celebrate attrition because it means the kids are ready to be successful in another environment.

What is your dream for Havern?

Our goal is to reach more children with learning disabilities. As a school community, we find ourselves often asking, what are ways that we can serve children who are not our students? That's one reason that the school started the Zarlengo Foundation Learning Evaluation Center at Havern School. It serves kids across the state who need comprehensive learning assessments. We've even had children come from Wyoming to get assessments because parents feel it's hard to get a high level of testing and really good data and information about their child. We are always trying to find new ways to share our knowledge and serve the greater community.

Does the school still feel a connection with Loretto?

Absolutely. We still live the legacy of our founders every day. Loretto's mission of education, justice and service is so aligned with what we do here. We are committed to honoring our history with the Sisters as we grow into our future.



Loretto Community members and staff at Havern's Thanksgiving dinner in 2019. Ellen Hall stands in back to the right of Cathy Mueller SL. Seated, clockwise from left: Havern librarian Mandy Piscopo, Lydia Pena SL, Regina Drey SL, Joy Gerity CoL, Joan Spero SL, Mary Nelle Gage SL, Loretto Magazine Editor Christina Manweller, Theresa Kinealy CoL and Ruth Routten CoL

Sister Judy Popp in her 47th year helping families make ends meet

By Christina Manweller

In the early seventies, Judy Popp SL spent a year at the Motherhouse, thinking she would return to teaching the following year. Instead, when a social work position opened up at the nearby Abbey of Gethsemani, she applied. She was hired and hasn't looked back.

Judy spends an hour in her office three times a week, but the job is not a part-timer. She typically helps around 100 people in a six-month period.

Sometimes, Brother Christian at the monastery calls to ask if she'll drive out to check on someone. Recently, two people needed assistance, one with rent and the other with rent, utilities and insurance. She keeps boxes of food in her garage to deliver to those in need. Often, leftovers from the Motherhouse dining room will go to a family. Judy says it's becoming harder for people to get by as the federal government cuts back on food stamps.

Many of her clients are single mothers who don't receive child support. One woman is raising four children, ages 10, 12, 14 and 16. Another, whose son died a year ago, is raising three girls.

Judy is helping one unemployed man pay for repairs on his father's old house. As she says of the people she helps, "They just can't quite make it."

"I'll probably keep at it for five more years, until I'm 85."



I really do enjoy the work. I enjoy the people, talking to them. It really makes me appreciate what I've got, as well as the fact that we can help them.

Judy Popp SL



Judy Popp SL
with Paul Brady
and family

Photo by
Johanna Brian SL



Loretto at the border

By Mary Jean Friel CoL

Loretto's Latin America/Caribbean Committee (LACC) has been on the front lines of the immigration crisis for many years at the Arizona border crossing between the U.S. and Mexico. LACC's Border Experience provides interested groups the opportunity to witness the plight and the experience of U.S.-detained immigrants who have fled violence in Central America. Border Experience participants witness detainees' housing situations, the legal process (immigration court) and interact with Mexican and American social service agencies providing aid to those seeking asylum in the United States.

Loretto helps fund and support shelters, provides food and necessities and supports migrants in detention centers. All money goes directly to provide food and support to asylum-seekers, not to overhead or other costs.

In 2019, we saw the situation at the border in Nogales, Arizona, change for the worse, a result of federal government policies which spawned child separation and other harsh measures. We were on the ground for three Border Experience trips this year, and each time, the suffering of those seeking refuge had increased.

Those pictured here are from families fleeing their homes in the night because of extreme violence in their towns. The plight of parents bringing their children on an arduous journey with no sure solution in sight is heartbreaking.

LACC is committed to working toward educating people and changing our government policies.



Photos are of families at Arizona shelters.

Top center: Delivering food purchased by Loretto and St. Mary's Academy teachers, with the Rev. Badnew at right; Loretto co-member Jean East is in gray next to Melissa Feito, Loretto Volunteer, in St. Mary's shirt

Right: A child replicates the home she and her family fled.

Photos courtesy Mary Jean Friel CoL and used by permission; childrens' names withheld for their protection.



“Shahnaz changed after her husband’s death ... ”

By *Nasreen Daniel SL*

Daim is in class four in our school in Lahore. He is 13 years old but his height is only two-and-a-half feet. His parents were getting medicine for him for his height but last year his father died of a sudden heart attack. His mother is illiterate and there is no source of income for herself and three children.

Daim’s mother, Shahnaz, comes from a large and very poor family. Pakistani society is very patriarchal — the birth of a son is considered a blessing and the birth of a girl, a curse. When Shahnaz turned 19, they got her married. She gave birth to her first son, Daim, and the whole family celebrated. Shahnaz was esteemed and pampered. Later came a baby girl and then again, a boy. Then Shahnaz lost her husband. She had no education and had never been out of her house even to buy daily vegetables; she was stunned that she was all alone. She could not go back to her family — she had lost her parents and her two brothers told her clearly that they could not take care of her and her three kids.

People who thought Daim’s mother was lucky because she gave birth to two sons now say she is bad luck for the family since she gave birth to a dwarf and her husband died.

Shahnaz changed after her husband’s death; she does not speak much. She is mostly in her room with her youngest son, who was born a few months after her husband’s death. Our teacher said that Shahnaz has closed her whole self within herself, burying her desires, wishes and ambitions with her husband in his grave. At the same time, she is very protective of her three children. She cooks and cleans for the whole family without complaint.

Thank God the extended family came to her rescue, though they could only take care of the basic needs like food and clothing, not medicine. Daim’s aunt contacted us for help, and we approached a friend of our Loretto Community, Dr. Muhammad Babar Cheema, president of MAC (Muslim Americans for Compassion), who introduced us to one of his physician friends in Pakistan. Daim has started getting injections for his physical growth.



Daim in class

Photo by Nasreen Daniel SL

Patricia Saddler Hughes CoL**December 16, 1931 — January 6, 2020**

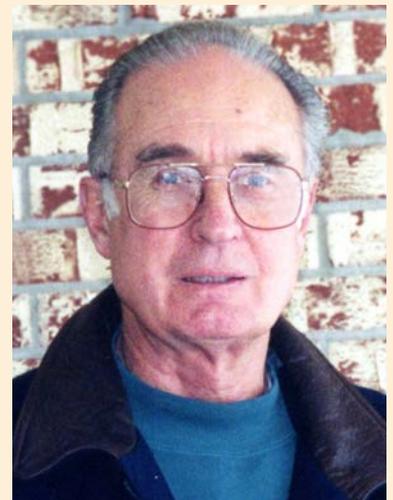
Pat was born in Louisville, Ky. She first knew Loretto Sisters when she attended St. Augustine Parish School in Lebanon, Ky. After graduating from Loretto High School in Louisville, she went on to attend community college and nursing school. While in school, she married Arch Hughes; they had five children. She worked in the labor and delivery departments of two Louisville hospitals for nearly 20 years. Pat was devoted to serving others, both through church and other organizations, including St. Joseph's Home and Hawthorne Elementary School. Loretto accepted Pat as a co-member in 2004, an important step in her life. She wrote on her co-membership renewal in 2009, "I'm still trying to be the best version of myself through baby steps in God's direction." She moved to Nazareth Home in 2017.

**Patricia Jean Manion SL****February 15, 1925—September 12, 2019**

PJ, as she was known in Loretto, grew up in St. Louis and attended grade school with Sisters of Loretto as her teachers. She attended Nerinx Hall High School in the old white house, followed by three years at Webster College. She worked as a reporter for the *St. Louis Globe Democrat* during the summers of 1944 and 1945. During that second summer, she "had a clear experience of saying I would follow the call to join the SLs." She was professed in 1948 and taught in three schools followed by six years in Sterling, Ill. After earning her master's at Marquette, she taught at Loretto Heights College and served as assistant to the president. She earned a doctorate at the University of Denver and in 1967 was appointed President of Loretto Heights for a five-year term. Beginning in 1972 PJ pursued various interests: She helped set up the Catholic Worker house in Denver, lived in Zurich studying dream analysis, and did dream work and counseling in Kentucky. A lifelong writer, PJ's *Only One Heart* about Mother Praxedes, *Beyond the Adobe Wall* about Mother Magdalen Hayden in Santa Fe, N.M. and *Venture into the Unknown* about Loretto in China, have educated and delighted Loretto Community members for many years. In addition, PJ proposed and helped edit *Naming Our Truth* and *Century of Change*, written by various Loretto authors, including herself.

**Robert Riggs CoL****November 13, 1928 — October 22, 2019**

Robert "Bob" Riggs was born in southern Colorado, the youngest of eight. He attended a one-room schoolhouse before the family moved to Trinidad, Colo., when he was in fourth grade. After graduating high school, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and served in Guam. Bob went to work for Mountain Bell in 1951, retiring 33 years later. In 1965, he married Marjorie Mae Aschenbrenner; they had two children, Gretchen and Thomas. He worked for the Sisters of Loretto from 1984 to 1994, taking charge of maintenance at the Denver Center. He was accepted into the Catholic Church at the Loretto Center Chapel in Denver in 1986. Bob became a co-member in 1997. His wife Marge is also a co-member. He enjoyed traveling, camping, photography and helping his family with household projects.



Memorials and Tributes of Honor

July 2019 — November 2019

In Memory of:
Requested by:

An asterisk (*) following a name identifies a Loretto co-member.

Barbara Anderson SL

Joy Addiego

Lauretta Bedard

Robert & Patricia Triggs

Mary Boland

Rev Sally Brown

Mary Genevieve Cavanaugh SL

Theresa Kinealy*

Thomas Clifford, Sylvia

& deceased Clifford children

Amy Thomas

Michaela Collins SL

Joan Schlueter

Sarah Maureen Concannon SL

Catherine Ford

Mary Ann Coyle SL

Mr & Mrs William DeLine

JA Hughes

Terrence Mischel & Bradley Cameron

Janet O'Halloran

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Dorothy Cusick

Mary Aline Dalton SL

Mr & Mrs John Ray Smith

Chad P. Darby

Kelly Marie Darby

Everett Darby Jr

Kelly Marie Darby

DeCoursey Family

Maureen DeCoursey

Colman Dell

Martha Dell

Lois Elliott O'Connor

Loretto Heights College, 1948

James O'Connor

Martha Elliot

Ruth Aldridge

Margaret Grace Elsey SL

Ruth Billings Luckey

Mary Valena Eppler

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John & Mary Beth Reese

Pat Kenoyer*

Theresa Kinealy*

Dawn Dorsey-Smart

Margaret Rose Knoll SL

Carol Johnson

Julene Kummer

Mr & Mrs Charles Arbogast

Juliet Cleaver

Bill Kvinta

Mr & Mrs Tom Kvinta

Helen Leuer Roberts

Katherine Woodward

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Sisters who taught in Shanghai, China

Theresa DaSilva

Ann Manganaro SL

Jessica Maich

Patricia Jean Manion SL

Mary Bickett

Mr & Mrs Thomas Derieg

Dawn Dorsey-Smart

Mrs M Fischbach

Rose Marie Hayden

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Thanksgiving dinner at the Motherhouse; Aggie Hoormann RSCJ, left, and Nancy Wittwer SL raise a toast.

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Nerinx bell, Loretto Motherhouse, photo by Donna Mattingly SL



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Loretto life: The back story

I am so grateful to you all, friends of Loretto. I've been sending out thank you notes in response to the fall appeal and so your generosity is right there in front of me, wherever I turn.

Your gifts support our retired sisters. Some reside in the Infirmary. Many are still living in communities, tutoring, visiting the sick and prisoners, offering spiritual direction. They pray for us all. I count on it. You can count on it, too.

A small, strong segment of our readers supported Giving Tuesday on our website, lorettocommunity.org, giving to the Loretto Volunteer Program. We have 14 volunteers currently working in El Paso, Denver, St. Louis, Washington, D.C., and at the United Nations in New York.

You gave donations to put the Infirmary on a firmer financial foundation and you gave wherever funds are needed most, as well as to the Hunger Fund, work in Haiti, and much more. The Infirmary is a big Loretto mission, as is the work of our sisters in Pakistan. We still work in schools in the U.S. as well as at the United Nations. One of our sisters works at a hospital in Uganda. Our Heritage Center is both archives and museum. Besides, our Motherhouse sits on a working farm in central Kentucky. (We just bought a new hay bailer.) Funds are needed everywhere — and some days emergencies happen that challenge our budget. We are grateful to you for helping us make a difference.

Most days our hearts are at the U.S.-Mexico border with the migrants and asylum seekers. Community members work in El Paso, Texas, and Nogales, Arizona. The need is for safe housing and legal assistance. We'll contribute what we can with your kind help.

Gratefully,

Sister Mary Ann McGivern SL
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