March 2019

**Founder’s celebration will be at Glencoe**

The Vaugirard Community and the La Salle Retreat Center will sponsor a celebration on Sunday April 7th of three significant anniversaries: the 300th anniversary of St. John Baptist De La Salle’s death, the 100th anniversary of the De La Salle Shrine on the grounds of Glencoe, and the 200th anniversary of the Brothers’ arrival in St. Genevieve, MO. The event will begin with a liturgy at 11 am followed by a brunch. Tours will be available after a brief program celebrating the three anniversaries and the Lasallian heritage. All Brothers and Lasallians are invited to attend. RSVP to Michelle Cook at La Salle Retreat Center mcook@lasalleretreat.org.

**Lasallian Volunteers gathered at midyear retreat**

The 2018-2019 Lasallian Volunteers (LV) gathered together for their annual midyear retreat outside of Baltimore in Reisterstown, MD, on January 18-20. The weekend retreat, facilitated by LV Alums Katie Delaney, LV 12-14, and Steven Patzke, LV 14-15, centered around the LVs discerning their individual gifts and calls, as well as reflecting on the first half of their service year through the lens of faith, service and community. The facilitators wove the idea of a vocational call being what brings joy, builds a more just world, and clarifies what gifts one possesses for the benefit of others. Through individual reflection and small and large group sharing, the LVs were able to consider where they’ve been and where they’re headed for the next part of their service year and beyond. Katie and Steven incorporated examples of their own experiences of serving at John XXIII Educational Center in Racine, WI, and St. Raymond High School for Boys in Bronx, NY. Also accompanying the LVs and LV staff were Brother Ed Phelan, Brother Michael Reis, and Brother Brian Henderson, as well as Chris Swain, LV 04-06, Director of the Office of Lasallian Vocation Ministry at Christian Brothers Conference. Chris and the Brothers joined the LVs to offer support, encouragement and advice as they journeyed through the weekend.

**World Congress will be in Mexico City**

The World Conference on Lasallian Education will take place in Mexico City from March 14-16. This academic meeting is one of the most important of the year for the Lasallian family. It will be an opportunity to get up-to-date news on the topic and to discuss the future of Lasallian education in the framework of the commemoration of the 300th anniversary of the death of Saint John Baptist de La Salle. The Congress will be focused on the path towards the Declaration of Lasallian Pedagogy. The selected theme is “Lasallian Education for the 21st Century.” Experts from the Global Agenda and education will participate in this Congress. Lasallian scholars will share insights from their research studies, and transformative educational practices will be presented through workshops and an exhibition.
Young Lasallians met in Panama

Within the framework of the World Youth Day and the pilgrimage of several young people from different parts of the world to Panama City, the International Encounter of Young Lasallians was held on January 22nd at the De La Salle School in the El Cangrejo neighborhood. The goal was to come together as a Lasallian family to celebrate fraternity and share the joy of vocation as part of the year of Lasallian vocations. Around 600 young people participated between companions and volunteers from different Districts - 100 from México North, 44 from Antilles-México South, 8 from Lasallian Association of Spain and Portugal (ARLEP), 330 from Central America-Panama, 87 from France, 14 from the USA Midwest and 20 from other Districts such as Norandino, Brazil-Chile, Peru – Bolivia and Argentina – Paraguay. The host of the event was the District of Central America-Panama. The District Council created an organizing committee composed of Brothers and lay people, and subcommittees were created to encourage different activities. In addition, there was the support of the General Council, the Community of RELAL Regional Animation, Brother Visitor and his District Council, the District Pastoral Commission and the District Office of Communications of Central America-Panama, as well as the Institute of the Guadalupanas Sisters of La Salle.

Lasallians attended the March for Life

More than three hundred Lasallian students from fourteen ministries along with educators and chaperones, traveled to Washington, D.C., to attend the 46th annual March for Life on January 18th with 71 attendees from four schools also participating in the youth Mass and rally at the Capital One Arena on January 17th. Seven ministries gathered to march together, an effort organized by Brother Paul Avvento, teacher at St. John’s College High School. Ministries in attendance included Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School, Brooklyn; Christian Brothers Academy, Lincroft; Christian Brothers College High School, St. Louis; La Salle High School, Cincinnati; Montini Catholic High School, Lombard; St. John’s College High School, Chevy Chase; and St. Joseph’s Collegiate Institute, Buffalo; Bishop Kelley High School, Tulsa; Christian Brothers High School, Memphis; De La Salle Collegiate High School, Warren; De La Salle High School, New Orleans; Manhattan College, Riverdale; St. John Paul II Academy, Boca Raton; and Totino-Grace High School, Fridley.

Brother Dennis Malloy named President of La Salle Academy

La Salle Academy in Providence, RI, has announced the appointment of Brother Dennis Malloy (DENA) as the next President effective July 1, 2019. A Brother for 45 years, Brother Dennis headed De La Salle Vocational School in Bensalem, PA, for 11 years and served as executive director of the St. Gabriel’s System, a division of Catholic social services, for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, which is part of the Lasallian Association of Youth and Family Services. Brother Dennis also served as Visitor of the legacy Baltimore District (2007-2009) and two terms as the first Visitor of the District of Eastern North America (2009-2017). He is currently in Europe on special assignment from Brother Superior General Robert Schieler serving the District of Ireland, England and the Island of Malta.

Brother Gus Sinco is on sabbatical

From January until July 2019 Brother Gus Sinco is taking a sabbatical. He will use this time to learn about new trends in the future of technology education and will also attend some conferences. One area of interest will be to spend time learning from some Sustainability projects that are taking place around the U.S. Brother Gus will take advantage of his sabbatical to devote time for reflection, prayer and rest, and make time to get closer to his family. Congratulations, Brother Gus!
**Development Assistant joined Christian Brothers Conference**

**Matt Golinski** has joined Christian Brothers Conference as the new Development Assistant effective January 15th. His experience includes various database support roles within higher education and non-profit organizations. He most recently served as the membership coordinator for the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals in Business (SOCAP) International in Alexandria, VA, and graduated with a degree in communications from Mount St. Mary’s University in Emmitsburg, MD. Matt can be reached at mgolinski@cbconf.org.

**LUCE program started in Rome**

Students participating in the Lasallian Universities Center for Education (LUCE) Program will study alongside peers from other Lasallian colleges and universities while living in the Generalate of the De La Salle Christian Brothers in Rome, Italy. This new program created by the U.S. Lasallian universities and housed at Lewis University provides students the chance to gain a deeper understanding of Saint John Baptist de La Salle and the De La Salle Christian Brothers, as well as the International Lasallian Network, while completing major, minor, and general education requirements at their home institutions. The program includes a number of excursions to different parts of Italy to allow students the chance to explore more of the rich history and culture of Italy. **Brother Stephen Markham**, Director of Contacts for the Midwest District, has been assigned to serve as mentor and assistant resident director for students from Lasallian universities living at the Brothers’ Generalate. While in Rome, students take courses in the history, culture, art and architecture of Rome with particular attention to the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. In addition to being available to mentor and assist students, Brother Stephen will help organize extracurricular activities, including joining students and faculty on excursions to Scampia, Assisi and Milan and some scheduled class field trips. The program runs from February 1st to April 28th.
Happy Birthday Brother!

This feature supports a Brother in Skilled Care. Send a card or letter; make a visit or a phone call.

- **Brother Charles Burke** will celebrate his 84\(^{\text{th}}\) birthday on March 12. Lake Winona Manor, 865 Mankato Avenue, Room 111, Winona, MN, 55987. (507) 474-5611.

**Brother James Miller was celebrated**

On February 13\(^{\text{th}}\) the Holy Cross Brothers at Notre Dame, IN, celebrated the memorial of the death of **Brother James Miller**. They celebrated him at their liturgy at Columba Hall, the Holy Cross Brothers' Residence. The chaplain, **Father Bill Blum**, wore red vestments, and he used the mass for a martyr and prayed the prayers with Brother James' name. The community sang the new Brother James hymn, two verses as processional and two verses as recessional. **Brother George Klawitter** composed the words and the music for “Good Brother James.” He reported that the Holy Cross Brothers are really excited to have a brother beatified in the U.S. The hymn is available from **Brother Joseph Martin** – jmartin@cbmidwest.org – for those interested.

**A Night at the Races for the Darst Center**

A Night at the Races, the annual fundraiser for the Brother David Darst Center, will happen on March 2\(^{\text{nd}}\) at De La Salle Institute. Doors open at 6:45 pm. Prizes include a pair of tickets to the Chicago White Sox, an in-home wine tasting from Wines for Humanity, a distillery tour at Koval, and more. Tickets at [https://natr2019.bpt.me](https://natr2019.bpt.me). General Admission Packages are $25 ($35 at the door) and include heavy appetizers, one drink, and two betting tickets. Golden Admission Packages are $50 and include heavy appetizers, two drinks, ten betting tickets, and horse naming rights. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. To be a part of the fun, contact **Keith Donovan**, Executive Director at [director@darstcenter.org](mailto:director@darstcenter.org) by February 28\(^{\text{th}}\).

**Rest in Peace**

- **Brother Jeffrey Calligan**, 79, (SFNO) died on February 15\(^{\text{th}}\) at Saint Paul’s Retirement Community in Covington, L.A. He taught in several schools in the legacy New Orleans District and twice served as Auxiliary Visitor. From 2000 to 2004 he was Director of Formation and Religious Life Services at Christian Brothers Conference in Washington, DC. From 2007 to 2014 he was a staff member with the Lasallian Educational Services in Australia. He was part of the Buttimer Institute of Lasallian Studies for more than twenty-five years and was known by Lasallians all over the world. Funeral arrangements are pending.