

St. Catherine of Siena Parish presents the 23rd Annual St. Jude Festival

SOUTH BEND — The 23rd annual festival for St. Jude Catholic Church will be held Saturday, July 11 through Sunday, July 12.

Saturday night is adult night featuring a hog roast dinner, casino games, live music, food and refreshments. Festivities run from 5:30-11:30 p.m. The band "Art and the Artichokes" will perform at 7 p.m.

Sunday is family day and features children's games and amusement rides, Euchre tournaments from 2-4 p.m. and 4-6 p.m., a Polish dinner from 2-4 p.m., and Jetta and the Jellybeans perform from 2-3 p.m.

For more information, call the St. Catherine of Siena Parish office at (574) 291-0570.

Hispanic adult formation program commences in August

FORT WAYNE — The Office of Catechesis and Office of Hispanic Ministry will begin the first session of Educación para el Ministerio (EPEM) on Aug. 22. The two-year diocesan program will serve the Hispanic community providing formation for those who desire a deeper understanding of their Catholic faith.

The integration of catechesis and leadership training will strengthen the participants' foundation to outwardly live their faith through active participation and service within the church. Upon completion, the EPEM class of 2011 will receive a diocesan certification in catechetical leadership.

Classes will be held once a month at the Archbishop Noll Catholic Center. For more information visit the Office of Catechesis' page at www.diocesefwsb.org or e-mail Lourdes Silva at loudly@aol.com or Christina Emilian at cemilian@fw.diocesefwsb.org.

Comienza en el mes de agosto un programa de formación para adultos en español

FORT WAYNE — La Oficina de Catequesis y la Oficina para el Ministerio Hispano de la Diócesis de Fort Wayne-South Bend comenzará un curso de formación catequética y liderazgo para católicos adultos de habla hispana llamado Educación para el Ministerio (EPEM) el 22 de agosto del 2009, de 8:30 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. en el edificio Archbishop Noll en Fort Wayne. Este programa diocesano de dos años proveerá formación para aquellos que quieren profundizar más en su conocimiento de la fe católica e incluirá un componente de destrezas de liderazgo para aquellos que desean participar activamente en el servicio de la Iglesia, en sus parroquias y diócesis. Para

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SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE ALUMNAE GATHER IN FORT WAYNE



PROVIDED BY TESS STEFFEN

Fort Wayne area alumnae of Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, gathered in June for a luncheon at Pine Valley Country Club. The guest speaker was Jessica Stuijbergen, assistant director of alumnae relations. Stuijbergen shared news about the completion of the new Spes Unica classroom building, current programs and an overview of the upcoming class statistics. Alumnae at the luncheon represented graduates over a 50-year period.

aqueellos que logren completar los requisitos de participación de los dos años los estudiantes recibirán un certificado diocesano en liderazgo catequético. Las clases se llevarán a cabo una vez al mes de agosto a junio. Para mas información visite la página web de la Oficina de Catequesis www.diocesefwsb.org or e-mail Lourdes Silva at loudly@aol.com or Christina Emilian at cemilian@fw.diocesefwsb.org.

Catholic Charities reaccredited by council

FORT WAYNE — The Council on Accreditation (COA) has informed Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Inc. that it has been reaccredited. COA has recognized Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Inc. as one of these outstanding providers.

COA reaccreditation is an objective and reliable verification that provides confidence and support to an organization's service recipients, board members, staff and community partners. The COA reaccreditation process involves a detailed review and analysis of both an organization's administrative operations and its service delivery practices. All are "measured" against national standards of

best practice. These standards emphasize services that are accessible, appropriate, culturally responsive, evidence based, and outcomes-oriented. In addition, they confirm that the services are provided by a skilled and supported workforce and that all individuals are treated with dignity and respect.

COA reviews and reaccredits the entire organization, not just specific programs.

COA congratulated Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Inc. for their hard work and wonderful achievement and is pleased to have it as part of COA's Community of Excellence.

Waterloo study club celebrates 75 years

WATERLOO — The St. Rose of Lima Study Club of St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Waterloo, met on May 19 at the Bridgewater Grill in Auburn to celebrate its 75th anniversary.

The club was founded on May 29, 1934, by eight ladies who wished to get together and study such topics as Bible history, church history, the lives of the saints, theology and the current "topic of the day" in a commitment to better understand and deepen their

Catholic faith.

Throughout the years, they have continued to pursue this commitment, as well as adding their talents and support to St. Michael Parish through worthwhile projects such as donations for scholarships, meals and food drives and various mission and charitable opportunities.

While waiting for dinner to be served, Rosemary Bender, daughter of Catherine Miller, who was one of the charter members, gave a summary of the club's history, which included a list of all the charter members and their relationships to past and current parishioners.

In addition to Bender, those who attended included Anna Mae Ellert, Venita (Susie) Miller, Gloria Seiss, Bobbie Charleswood, Dolores Keyes, Maggie Miller and Theresa Ford. Honorary members Lenora Schiffli and Ruth Yarlot were unable to attend.

Ancilla College to host placement party and orientation

DONALDSON — Ancilla College will be hosting a placement party and new student orientation on Thursday, July 9 at the Donaldson-based campus.

Prospective students will have the opportunity to gain admission to Ancilla College, register for

classes and attend new student orientation all on the same day.

To gain admission, students will fill out a free application to Ancilla College, submit high school and college transcripts and take the college placement test.

The placement test, which does not have a time limit, will begin at 8:30 a.m. New student orientation will run from 12:30-3 p.m.

This will be the only placement party and orientation available to prospective students in the month of July.

RSVP to (574) 936-8898 ext. 330.

Students receive Good Citizenship award

SOUTH BEND — The Schuyler Colfax Chapter in St. Joseph County of the Daughters of the American Revolution honor an eighth-grade student each year with a Good Citizenship Award.

The Good Citizenship medal is awarded to students who demonstrate the qualities of honor, service, courage, leadership and patriotism. The student is chosen by the school faculty.

This year's award winners are Giotto Irons, Christ the King; Erica Veen, Corpus Christi; Christian Riewe, Holy Cross; Jeremiah Briggs, Holy Family; Teresa Rodela, Our Lady of Hungary; Suzanne Durski, St. Adalbert; Sarah Krizman, St. Anthony de Padua; Thomas Favorite, St. Joseph; Kyle Joy, St. Joseph, Mishawaka; Patrick Hunsberger, St. Bavo; Anna Scholl, St. John the Baptist; Ryan McMonagle, St. Jude; Nathaniel Griggs, St. Matthew; and Katherine McMillen, St. Monica.

Sister Ehrlich celebrates golden jubilee

FORT WAYNE — Sister Rose Clare Ehrlich, a member of the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes and a native of Muncie, will be celebrating her 50th anniversary of religious profession in Fond du Lac, Wis., with a Mass of thanksgiving on July 12.



SISTER ROSE CLARE EHRLICH

Sister Rose Clare's ministry includes 29 years in the fields of general and music education, 15 years in pastoral ministry, nine of which were served as pastoral associate of St. Andrew Parish in Fort Wayne and the last six years as director of liturgy and music in St. Paul of the Cross Parish, Columbia City, and St. Joseph Parish, Bluffton.

As part of her pastoral work, Sister Ehrlich opened the first Rose Home in 1992, a Christian ecumenical home in Fort Wayne for women in recovery from alcohol and drug addictions. She presently serves on the executive board for Rose Home, Inc., which encompasses both the home in Fort Wayne and one in Syracuse.