

We remember in prayer.
A memorial has been placed in the lobby of King's House in
memory of:

Sr. M. Loretta Volk, PHJC
by Dan Zwilling (nephew)

Mary Ellen Furmanek
by GERALYN Furmanek, Mary Fehner & Tom Furmanek (family)

Rose Marie Dudenhoefter
By Mary Rehagen (friend)

Insure the Future

Please remember King's House in your wills, bequests, and gifts. Occasionally, someone remembers KING'S HOUSE RETREAT AND RENEWAL CENTER in their will. These gifts are added to our long-term fund that is invested through our religious order, The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. This fund continues to grow and helps insure retreat ministry for years to come.



Raffle Winners July 2011 - October 2011

Norbert Wittenhauer
Bette Lehman
Rosemary Macken
Patricia Mander
Darlene Rehkemper
Rita Hesser
Barb Stephenson
Connie Shipley
Ruth Pratt

Peggy Kirkwood
Toni Brummett
Susan Rothweil
Art Flores
Robert Behlmann
Joyce Herrington
Kevin Macken
Darlene Rehkemper
Dolores Sanders



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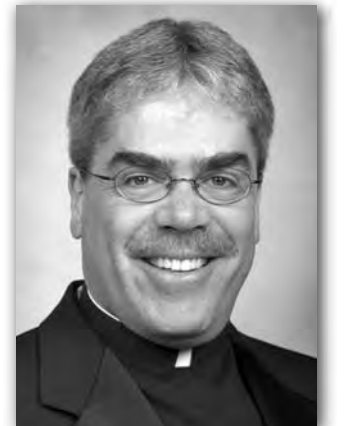
which retreatants have enjoyed during prayerful time outside and even some quiet encounters with the deer who call these grounds home!

The Fall cycle of retreats has managed to keep King's House "buzzing" – eight retreats for women, one for men. It is such a privilege to welcome people "home" to King's House for this graced time of personal encounter with our God. We have been blessed with awesome weather,

continues his ministry as Novice Director, but is freed to help us during the first half of 2012. We are very grateful to have them, and hope you will introduce yourself to them.



Fr. Tom Horan



Fr. Mark Dean

The only thing that could have made our fall better would be MORE retreatants! Some of our retreats are getting down to notably small numbers. We on the ministry team are taking this concern seriously. And we sincerely rely on YOU, the women and men who love King's House, to sit down and prayerfully consider ONE NEW THING you can do to bring one new retreatant to King's House in 2012. We have worked hard to plan an inviting and engaging theme for the retreats; we would like to bless many more people in the coming year. Please, help us!

This fall, we have been blessed to welcome new members to our preaching team: Fr. Mark Dean, OMI and Fr. Tom Horan, OMI. Both are known to the King's House Family: they have helped out in our summer preached and directed retreats over the years. Fr. Mark is assigned to KH full time; Fr. Tom

I want to call your attention to two special events in December – our annual Open House and Vespers service on Friday, December 16th, and NEW this year, a Christmas Madrigal Dinner (thanks to Ms. Mary Ann Totsch, our music minister), with two performances on Saturday, December 17th and Sunday, December 18th. See the special notices and information in this newsletter, and please, come join us!

Don't forget to keep checking our website (www.kingsretreatcenter.org) for current information, printable flyers and registration forms.

May God richly bless each one of you and your loved ones during this God-filled Holiday Season,
Brother Pat McGee, OMI

In your charity please pray for our departed friends. We remember them daily in our prayers and Eucharist celebrated at King's House

Charlotte Dudici
Irene Huelsmann
Victor Kaiser
Frank Koesterer
Dorothy Meirink, CSJ
Alice Middendorf
Patricia Stricker
Carol Pelland
Charles Prass, OMI

Frank Rebholz
Celeste Marie Reichert, OP
Marilyn Stack
Marie Weiss
Johanna Werner
Earl Wilde



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2012 King's House Retreat Theme

Everyday God: In Whom We Live And Move And Have Our Being

Our God is an Everyday God! God moves in our daily routine in order to give us joy, insights, comfort, and challenge. During our retreat we will look at the ordinary things of life that speak profoundly of God's steadfast love.

Our weekend begins with the God of Homecoming. We know what it is like to come home, don't we? We like to get comfortable, sit back in a favorite easy chair or share a meal and conversation with those close to us and God is there.

Saturday morning we will spend time with the God of the Morning Cup of Coffee. While we sit at the breakfast table, in our comfortable chair or perhaps even in our car on the way to work we enjoy our first taste of the day and perhaps we dream or ponder or plan and God is there.



Saturday afternoon we meet the God of the Car Keys. God is immersed in our daily activities, offering insights and cautions, moments of laughter and opportunities for compassion. We all know what



it means to be on-the-go and God is right there too.

Although we may not realize it at times God is also in the Broken Places of our lives. In these human moments God wants to heal the fractured places of our lives. In our sacrament of Liberation God is there.

Sunday morning we will encounter the God of the Second Fire. This is the God of service, the God who calls us to be the fire of His love to those who are in need.

In our everyday outpouring of love to the neighbor God will always be there.

We live and move and have our being because our God is faithful. Join us on retreat this year as we explore how God makes the everyday places and spaces of our lives sacred.



The principle of compassion lies at the heart of all religious, ethical and spiritual traditions, calling us always to treat all others as we wish to be treated ourselves. – from The Charter for Compassion



December at King's House

Advent Day of Prayer

Friday, December 9, 2011

***“Watchful and Alert:
Our Advent Call to Hope”***

With Bro. Pat McGee, OMI

8:45 AM to 3:00 PM

Annual Open House & Vespers

Friday, December 16, 2011
Open House from 5:00 to 10:00 PM
Vespers Service at 6:30 PM

This is a great opportunity for the Friends of King's House to celebrate the blessings of the year with fellowship, delicious food, and spirited prayer!

Join Us!

CHRISTMAS MADRIGAL DINNER

Two Performances:
Saturday, December 17, 2011
Sunday, December 18, 2011

Ticket Price: \$30

Seating at 6:30 PM each day
Performance at 7:00 PM

***Come early – Silent Auction
opens at 6:00 PM –
Benefit for King's House.***

Tickets @ (618) 409-0015

New Year's Contemplative Retreat

***“Mary – Woman of the Year & Guide
for Our Hearts” with Fr. Mark Dean,
OMI***

Saturday, December 31, 2011, starting with a light supper at 5:00 PM through Sunday, January 1, 2012, ending with dinner at 5:30 PM (Extra overnight option available.)

FOR ALL OF THESE EVENTS, A FLYER & REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE

www.kingsretreatcenter.org

***Notice: Take advantage of the enclosed raffle tickets!
You may yet be a winner in our 2011-2012 raffle.***