

**Sisters of St. Joseph of  
Carondelet  
September 28, 2018**

**Next issue October 5th**

## SAVE THE DATE



**The Season of Creation**  
Sept. 1 - Oct. 4, 2018



**Dedication of Congregational  
Consolidation of Archives  
in St. Louis**  
October 15, 2018



**Congregational Chapter 2019  
Called Together for the  
Life of the World**  
July 14-28, 2019  
St. Louis, MO

## 2018 Hawaii Calls Drawing Winners

Thanks to everyone who participated in our 2018 drawing benefiting our Sisters and their ministries, made possible by the William H Hannon Foundation. ❖

### This year's winners are:

#### First Prize:

*A vacation for two persons  
to Maui, HI*  
Norbert Wedepohl  
(Prescott, AZ)

#### Second Prize:

*\$1,000*  
Cori Ueda  
(Honolulu, HI)

#### Third Prize:

*\$500*  
J.B. Black  
(Pasadena, CA)

## Blessing of the Animals

### BLESSING ALL GOD'S CREATION

September 30, 2018

*God made every kind of wild animal, every kind of tame animal, and every kind of thing that crawls on the ground. ~ Genesis 1:25*

'...the word "creation" has a broader meaning than "nature", for it has to do with God's loving plan in which every creature has its own value and significance'. (Laudato Si' # 76)

**O**n the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, it has become a tradition to bless animals so Creator of all things, we ask your blessing on: rabbits, hamsters and guinea pigs; the creatures of the waters, the goldfish, guppies, and swimming creatures; the winged ones, robins, wrens, and singing birds; bats, squirrels, and raccoons; horses, cows, wolves, and sheep; lizards, snakes, cockroaches, and creeping things; and every animal in the sky, the sea, and the forest.

May St. Francis be their protector and our guide in caring for all creatures.

As Season of Creation 2018 ends, Sister Leone Drexler, CSJ reflects on the wonderful relationship between human and animals, our neighbors on this planet. Watch this video with additional words from Sister Diane Smith, CSJ. ❖





## House of Ruth, Los Angeles, CA

Originally, the *House of Ruth* in Los Angeles, CA was both a local community and ministry for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Founded in 1978, Sister Linda Pearson, CSJ was their first director. Support staff were Sisters Georgeann O'Brien, Judith Molosky and Jeanette VanVleck.

*House of Ruth* was a transitional shelter for homeless women and children located in a house owned by the Catholic Worker in Boyle Heights, CA. The House strove to provide every type of service needed to help homeless women and children transition from the life of the streets to a self-directed life. They were provided with safe and secure housing, food and encouragement to attain a decent standard of living.

After 15 years of CSJ presence, the Sisters withdrew and the Social Service Sisters provided the new Director for this ministry. Over the years, *House of Ruth* assisted women and children to know that God was with them in one of their most difficult times. ❖

~ Written by Sister Frances Baker, CSJ

## St. Joseph Center in Action

Fighting Homelessness in West Los Angeles



St. Joseph Center engages unhoused Angelenos in West Los Angeles, CA helping them to find permanent housing. Watch this video on how their multidisciplinary outreach teams work to end homelessness. The center was founded by CSJs Sisters Louise Bernstein and Marilyn Rudy (RIP) ❖

## Calls to Action



*Shofiqa, 15, survived a massacre of Rohingya at Tu Lar To Li in Burma.*

~ Photo: Anastasia Taylor-Lind for Human Rights Watch

With her portraits, Anastasia Taylor-Lind wanted us to recognize, just for a moment, the experience in someone's face, to help us to bridge the chasm between their lived experience and our own experience.

*We believe that the mission of Jesus calls us to conversion that comes through authentic mutuality.* ❖

~ Partnering with New Eyes, Submitted by Sister Toni Nash, CSJ

For  
Sisters & Associates

Click on button above for:

- ❖ Travel Board Applications DUE October 15th, 2018
- ❖ Directory update

## Winged Sisters

A few weeks ago, Sisters Rosemarie Montoya, Jean Larm and Carmen Paas posed in front of a mural by artist Colette Miller in North Shore Ohau, HI. Our staff had fun animating the images. Click on the video to catch them before they take off!!



Regarding her project, Miller said, "I was inspired by the divinity in humanity." Learn more about Colette Miller's Global Angel Wings Project at <http://www.colettemiller.com/angelwings> ❖

~ Photos by Maki Gallagher; Animation by Cameron Parsons, submitted by Meyling Eliash-Daneshfar, editor.



## Medaille House News



Sister Joann Heinritz, CSJ facilitated a day of yoga and prayer for the first "Uncommon Women for an Uncommon Time" series sponsored by Medaille House in Los Angeles, CA. There were 21 women who joined us for the day. Sister Joann wove periods of prayer and reflection into many yoga stances. The women shared with one other when they were asked to "Find a good-looking person here in this room." Our next gathering for *Uncommon Women* will be on October 20th.

Our gratitude to Sister Joann and to all CSJs who live at Villa Carondelet for opening your beautiful chapel for our yoga and prayer day. ❖

~ Submitted by Sister Darlene Kawulok, CSJ

## LCWR Calls

### for Protection of Immigrants

Leadership Conference of Women Religious Calls for Protection of Immigrants

LCWR issued a statement on a new proposed rule that would penalize immigrant families, forcing parents to choose between accessing medicine, housing and food for their children and risking their eligibility for possible legal permanent residency. Click here to read the full statement. ❖

<https://lwr.org/media/lwr-calls-protection-immigrants>

## Relocating



Sister Jeanne Cecile Cools, CSJ stands posed next to the door of her new room at St John of God in Los Angeles, CA. She was joined by Holy Family staff and Sisters who welcomed her to her new home and blessed her space with much peace. She is in apartment 215 at Benedict Menne and welcomes visitors! ❖

~ Submitted by Sister Sharon Margaret Ninteman, CSJ

## Dear Neighbor Grants

### Provide Soccer Shoes to Children in Rural Chile

Thanks to a grant from our *Dear Neighbor* Fund, *Ganamos Todos* Foundation purchased soccer shoes for 121 young athletes residing in the rural town of Fresia, Chile. The foundation's mission is to promote a healthy lifestyle through sport clinics and tournaments for children in the most isolated towns and villages of the country who otherwise would not be able to practice and play sports. "In addition to providing uniforms, shoes and gear needed to practice sports, the foundation also seeks to promote values such as teamwork, commitment and perseverance," said Harold Mayne-Nichols, president. "Seeing the smiling faces of the children who received these shoes was a tremendous testimonial of the impact of this generous grant from the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet."

Funding for the *Dear Neighbor* Fund comes from various activities including the Annual Angel Boutique scheduled for Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>.

*Ganamos Todos'* goal is to distribute more than 4,000 pairs of athletic shoes in the next year. ❖

~ Submitted by Carolina Manfredi, *Ganamos Todos* Foundation

video



### Intra-Congregation Called Together Gatherings

Please join us in praying that we will all receive the grace to embrace what the Chapter theme proclaims, that we are "Called Together for the Life of the World." ❖

Oct. 8th in Japan

Oct. 9-11 in St. Paul

~ Submitted by the Congregational Leadership Team

## Angel Boutique



Our Sisters and Associates have been busy creating, knitting, sewing and baking wonderful and delicious goods for our Annual Christmas Boutique scheduled for Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Save the date for this wonderful opportunity to visit with our Sisters and begin the Christmas season. There will be something for everyone on your list...plus something for yourself. ❖

~ Submitted by Meyling  
Eliash-Daneshfar, editor.