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REMINDERS

December 2019

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Monthly Quote for Reflection

"Free your mind of anything that troubles you; God will take care of it"
 ~ St. Vincent de Paul

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ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

December 2019

2 - St. Joseph, Wauk

9 - St. Bruno

16 - St. Charles

23 - St. James, Muk

30 - St. Jerome

Meal Program SVDP Volunteer Commitment

Please note it is very important that eight (8) volunteers are present each Monday evening at 5:00 PM. If you do not have enough conference members to serve, please seek additional volunteers through your parish.

December 2-5

Project Angel Tree Gift Drop-off

Drop off Project Angel Tree gifts (wrapped and labeled) no later than Thursday, December 5 at the Waukesha Council office. Gifts will be sorted and removed from the Council office on Friday, December 6.

Wednesday, December 4

CVC Meeting on Transportation

First United Methodist Church, Waukesha

6:00pm - 8:00pm

[RSVP Here](#)

December 21

National Homeless Persons Memorial Service

Riverfront Gazebo (behind Waukesha State Bank, Waukesha)

3:30pm – 4:30pm

See attached flyer

December 25

Merry Christmas!

May His love shine brightly on you and yours this holiday season.



WAUKESHA COUNCIL

2019 Key Events Calendar

You will find the 2020 Key Events Calendar attached to these REMINDERS and posted on our website Member Info home page. Updates will be posted on the website as they occur and will include a revision date. This calendar lists every meeting, event, training, program schedule, etc. throughout the calendar year. Make it your Go To place to see what's coming up.

Council Office Holiday Hours

December 24 – Christmas Eve – Closed

December 25 – Christmas Day – Closed

December 31 – New Year's Eve – Closed at noon

January 1 – New Year Day – Closed

✝ SVdP Jail Ministry News

Coats for the Jail

We are in good standing... for now. The jails only have room to store a limited number of coats and have enough to meet their needs at this time. Thank you again to those who answered the call when our early winter weather hit a couple months ago.

Project Angel Tree Gift Drop-off

Drop off Project Angel Tree gifts (wrapped and labeled) beginning Dec. 2 and no later than Thursday, Dec. 5 at the Waukesha Council office. Gifts will be logged in and sorted for delivery on Dec. 6.

COMING TOGETHER TO GET AHEAD

Coming Together to Get Ahead Updates

Workshop: We finished workshops 14 and 15 in November with a wonderful graduation celebration with 16 graduates. Many of them plan to continue on with the program to work on their plan and we are excited to see what comes next.

We are also preparing for our 2020 workshops in Waukesha (beginning the first week in February) and the Greater Menomonee Falls area (beginning the first week in March). We are starting the intake process now, so if you know anyone ready to make a financial change in their life or if you want to get involved and support that change, please let us know!

Community Voice for Change: CVC is a monthly dinner and discussion about barriers and solutions for Getting Ahead in Waukesha County. Having done employment, mental health, and housing, we had our first night on transportation in October and it was a great night! Our next night is on Wednesday, December 4th from 6-8pm at First United Methodist Church located at 121 Wisconsin Ave in Waukesha. We encourage everyone to attend. From these nights, we create a Community Voice for Change report that is shared with the community to inform and inspire change. If you are not currently receiving these invitations and reports (and would like to), please let us know!

To refer someone, register for an event, or ask questions please contact CTGA at ctga@sudpwaukesha.com or 262.547.0654

Thanks for being a part of change!

Your CTGA Team

Jodie Cleary, Gabriella Regall and Carol Maurer



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Ending Poverty – One person, One neighborhood, One community at a time.

STORES

Electronic Voucher Updates

The changeover from the old Thrift Works to the new had a few bumps in the road but is much better now. If you haven't used it recently, the old version will no longer work and you must download the new. Detailed instructions are posted on our website in the secure Member Info area under Member Forms & Supplies/ Electronic Vouchers/ThriftWorks Member Download Instructions. If you have any problems with the process, contact Bonnie at any time, day or night. The instructions are also attached.

Holiday Store Hours (Oconomowoc and Waukesha)

December 24 - Christmas Eve – Closed

December 25 - Christmas Day – Closed

December 31 - New Year's Eve – (regular hours) 9:00 am – 8:00 pm

January 1 - New Year's Day – Closed

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NORTH CENTRAL REGION

North Central Region Meeting (NCR)

June 11 – 13

Milwaukee Marriott West

W231N1600 Corporate Ct., Waukesha

The Milwaukee Archdiocesan Council will be hosting the 2020 North Central Regional Meeting. Zoltan Eszes, Waukesha Council President and Pennie Krafczyk, Milwaukee Council President are co-chairs and planning is already in the works!

The event will be held in our own backyard! It's not too early to pencil in these dates! The event will be filled with workshop sessions designed specifically for members and conferences.

Also, volunteers will be needed to help with this exciting event for registration/sign-in as guests arrive, hospitality, greeters, etc. Volunteers will be sought in both Counties. Various committees and needs for volunteers will be coming soon!

Please consider helping out! Why not? You will already be at the meeting, yes? 😊

The agenda and registration will start early 2020. Stay tuned! You won't want to miss this!

CONFERENCE RESOURCES

Salvation Army Toy Shop

The deadline for families to sign up for the Salvation Army Toy Shop has passed but they usually hold a make-up day after the Toy Shop has closed. In the past, families were able to come, sign up and then "shop" all in one stop. Contact the Salvation Army at 262-547-7367 or visit their website [HERE](#) for more information.

Christmas Day Meal Delivery

Once again, St. William will be preparing Christmas Day meals to anyone in the Waukesha County area who is alone, homebound, or unable to afford a holiday meal. The meals can be delivered or picked up at St. William (440 N. Moreland Blvd, Waukesha) on Christmas Day between 11am and 1:15pm. Requests for meals must be received by **Friday, Dec. 14**. See the attached flyer for details and request form.

Winter Services

Please see attached Waukesha County Community Resources listing locations, eligibility, hours, space available:

- Hope Center
- Hebron House
- Jeremy House
- Salvation Army
- Family Promise
- Women's Center
- Waukesha Public Library

Waukesha Winter Overflow Shelter

1210 S. Sentry Drive, Waukesha

Opens December 1, 2019

The Overflow Shelter will be used when all other shelters are at capacity. See attached flyer for details.

SEEK Careers/Staffing

The owner of SEEK Career/Staffing is offering their services for FREE to help those having difficulty finding a job. This includes help with resume building and interview skills. SEEK Careers/Staffing is more than an employment agency. While staffing is their specialty, their goal is to service the success of every employee. They believe in helping people achieve their potential, no matter the obstacles and provide a wide range of opportunities. Please see the attached flyer for details.

December 21

National Homeless Persons Memorial Day (see attached flyer)

Riverfront Gazebo (Riverfront Surface Parking lot by Waukesha State Bank, Waukesha)
3:30pm – 4:30pm

December 21 is the shortest day of the year but the longest night of the year for the homeless. This is a community event to reflect and remember the men and women who lost their lives during 2019 while living in our community without a permanent address.

Conference and Member Questions and Answers (E-Gazette National Newsletter)

Q: I would like to know if your office or any other SVDP department has written procedures as to how SVDP Conferences should handle this problem of people who want to give SVDP a donation and specifically designate an individual to be paid directly or indirectly by those funds donated or gifted.

A: This is not uncommon. The situation has come up many times. It is NOT proper for SVdP to be involved in this. This is effectively a gift from an individual to another person and should not go through SVdP. The only case when it would be permissible is if SVdP originally decided they wanted to help this individual or family and then sought financial support to do so. We do not have a formal written policy related to this.

Index of Conference & Member Q & A

Conference and Member questions and answers appear in the E-Gazette, the National E-newsletter. Each month questions and answers are chosen for the monthly REMINDERS. The National office has put together the collection of all Questions & Answers since this practice started! Many inquiries are common throughout the US. This is a link worth saving! [National Office Log and Index of Conference & Member Questions & Answers](#) Pam Hudson, National Director of Governance & Membership Services, phudson@svdpusa.org

WHAT'S AHEAD

January 2020
6 - St. William
13 - St. Luke
20 - St. Teresa of Calcutta
27 - St. Joan of Arc

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Happy New Year!

January 27

Quarterly Membership Meeting

Council office

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

All members are invited!

February 8

Ozanam Orientation

Waukesha Council Office (818 W. Sunset Dr.)

Registration 8:15

Session starts 8:30am and concludes 1:30pm

PETITIONS

Prayers for Health

P.J. White, St. William member

Nancy Karl, Waukesha Council

