



*Banquet & Awards
Presentation*

*30 October 2016
Overland Park, Kansas*

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Program

WELCOME

BROTHER TOM WENDORF, S.M.

INVOCATION

SISTER DEBORAH M. BORNEMAN, SS.C.M.

DINNER

MUSTARD SEED AWARD

DUBUQUE AREA VOCATION ASSOCIATION
Presented by Sister Anita Quigley, S.H.C.J.

OUTSTANDING RECOGNITION AWARDS

SISTER ADRIENNE KAUFMANN, O.S.B.
Presented by Sister Hannah Vanorny, O.S.B.

SISTER LYNN M. LEVO, C.S.J.
Presented by Sister Donna Del Santo, S.S.J.

SISTER PATRICIA TWOHILL, O.P.
Presented by Sister June Fitzgerald, O.P.

HARVEST AWARD

CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER NETWORK
Presented by Brother Ronnie Hingle, S.C.

WORDS OF GRATITUDE

BROTHER RONNIE HINGLE, S.C.

Recognition Award Recipients

1990

Fr. Jerry Kaelin, O.F.M.

1992

Sr. Catherine Bertrand, S.S.N.D.

1994

Sr. Jane DeLisle, C.S.J.

1996

Sr. Illeana Fernandez, C.S.J.

Fr. Marvin Kitten, S.J.

Fr. Daniel Rauzi, S.D.B.

1998

Sr. Kathleen Bryant, R.S.C.

Br. Kenneth Grondin, C.F.C.

Sr. Gloria Marie Jones, O.P.

2000

Br. Paul Bednarczyk, C.S.C.

Fr. John Regan

Sr. Noreen Walter, S.C.L.

2002

Fr. Jack Kurps, S.C.J.

Sr. Carol Mucha, R.S.M.

Sr. Marcia Ziska, O.S.B.

Sr. Carol Tropiano, R.S.M.

2004

Sr. Mary Pellegrino, C.S.J.

Br. James McVeigh, O.S.F.

2006

Sr. Susan Kidd, C.N.D.

Sr. Rose Mary Rexing, O.S.B.

Fr. Warren Sazama, S.J.

2008

Sr. Anita Louise Lowe, O.S.B.

Sr. Rose Sevenich, O.S.F.

2010

Sr. Magdala Marie Gilbert, O.S.P.

Fr. Kevin Nadolski, O.S.F.S.

2012

Sr. Josita Colbert, S.N.D.deN.

Sr. Elyse Ramirez, O.P.

2014

Fr. Anthony Vinson, O.S.B.

Sr. Patricia Wittberg, S.C.

2016

Sr. Adrienne Kaufmann, O.S.B.

Sr. Lynn Levo, C.S.J.

Sr. Patricia Twohill, O.P.

2016 Recognition Award Recipient

SISTER ADRIENNE KAUFMANN, O.S.B., PH.D.

Adrienne is a Benedictine Sister of Watertown, South Dakota and a person with boundless passion and excitement for vocations. She received her Ph.D. in Conflict Analysis and Resolution at George Mason University.



During her years in vocation ministry, she transformed the NRVC Region 8 annual meeting into a large gathering of enthusiastic participants. She wisely connected the region meeting to the Youth in Theology and Ministry (YTM) program at St. John's University, which proved to be a beneficial collaboration.

During the Year of Consecrated Life, Adrienne organized a letter-writing campaign for all communities in Region 8. NRVC members wrote to all the priests and bishops in the region, proclaiming support for what they do and inquiring how religious institutes could collaborate with them in the future.

Adrienne was instrumental in starting the Benedictine Volunteers program for the Watertown, Bismarck, and Rapid City Benedictines. She sought funding from the Catholic Volunteer Network for this collaborative volunteer discernment program. The endeavor was a dream come true for Adrienne, and she now serves as the director of the program.

This year Adrienne was honored by the Catholic Press Association with an award for Best Reporting on a Special Age Group for "Midlife vocations," a HORIZON article she wrote with Sister Amy Hereford, C.S.J. Adrienne is a tireless supporter of vocation ministry and an inspiration to all of us.

2016 Recognition Award Recipient



SISTER PATRICIA TWOHILL, O.P.

Pat serves as the Prioress for the Dominican Sisters of Peace. She holds a Master of the Arts degree in Systematic Theology from the Aquinas Institute of Theology.

Pat has served as either Vocation Minister or Leadership Liaison to her congregation's Vocation Office for a total of 16 years. An active member of NRVC since 1987, she has given presentations at three convocations and served as Co-Coordinator for Region 1 and, earlier, as an active member of Region 6. More recently Pat participated in NRVC's Educational Debt and Vocations working group.

Pat served on the Ministry of Welcome transitions team when her congregation, the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs, merged with six other congregations to create the Dominican Sisters of Peace. She was instrumental in the creation of a comprehensive Vocation Ministry and Formation Plan and Guidebook which helped keep the congregation's vocation ministry flourishing.

One of her most creative and effective contributions to vocation ministry as it applied to the Dominican Sisters was her use of the R.C.I.A. model in creating stages and ceremonies in the vocation formation of candidates and novices. Pat also played a significant role in the 2013 opening of the House of Welcome for discerners and candidates for her congregation in New Haven, Connecticut.

2016 Recognition Award Recipient

SISTER LYNN M. LEVO, C.S.J., PH.D.

Lynn is a Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet, a licensed psychologist, lecturer, and consultant. She received her Ph.D. from the University of New York at Albany, completing her clinical training at the University of Kansas School of Medicine. In 2015, she was the recipient of the Mary Emil Penet, I.H.M. Award from the Religious Formation Conference.



Lynn consults with religious congregations of women and men, dioceses and health systems on mutuality, transitions and stress, anger, managing conflict, aging, and healthy personal, sexual, and spiritual development across the life span.

Lynn has presented nationally and internationally to women and men religious, intercommunity novitiates, and seminaries on fostering healthy integrated sexuality, celibacy, relationships, intimacy, mutuality in community, and emotional intelligence. With women and men in leadership roles, she has offered insights into collaborative leadership, hope, living at the edge of chaos, our call to be evolutionaries, hope providers, and a transforming presence.

On numerous occasions, Lynn has shared her gifts with NRVC through projects and presentations. In addition, Lynn also facilitates team development for several leadership teams of women religious using her experience as a former congregational leader and consultant.

After completing 12 years of ministering as Director of Education at Saint Luke Institute, a residential treatment facility for women and men religious, Lynn currently is a consulting psychologist in private practice, offering consultations, presentations, and workshops both in the U.S. and abroad.



Harvest Award Recipients


1990
The Lilly Endowment, Inc.

1992
Fr. Raymond P. Carey

1994
No award given

1996
Ms. Dolores Orzel

1998
Bishop John McGraith



2000
Sr. Mary Johnson, S.N.D.deN.
Carol Schuck Scheiber
Claretian Publications

2002
National Coalition
for Church Vocations

2004
Mrs. Dorothy T. Foss
Fr. Raymond Lafontaine

2006
Serra International
Serra USA Council

2008
TrueQuest Communications
Patrice Tuohy

2010
Catholics on Call

2012
National Federation
for Catholic Youth Ministry
Dr. Robert J. McCarty

2014
Kathleen A. Mahoney

2016
Catholic Volunteer Network



Mustard Seed Recipients

2014
Here I am Lord!
Michael Zak

2016
Dubuque Area Vocation Association

2016 Harvest Award Recipient

CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER NETWORK

Since 1963, Catholic Volunteer Network (CVN) has supported and promoted lay volunteer and mission programs that are making a difference in our world. CVN's membership consists of nearly 200 faith-based programs that place more than 20,000 volunteers annually in areas of need both domestically and internationally.

Each year, Catholic Volunteer Network publishes the RESPONSE Directory of faith-based volunteer opportunities. RESPONSE is the most comprehensive guide of its kind and is distributed to individuals interested in service as well as parish and campus offices that promote volunteer and mission service. Numerous NRVC members have volunteer opportunities listed in RESPONSE. It is the go-to resource among young adults who desire to serve both at home and abroad. Catholic Volunteer Network also provides training, technical assistance, recruitment services, alumni outreach, and networking opportunities for its members.

In 2013, Catholic Volunteer Network commissioned the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) to study former full-time volunteers. This study found that 37 percent of former full-time volunteers have considered religious life or the priesthood, 27 percent of them "very seriously." In addition, 6 percent have a vocation as a priest, deacon, sister, or brother, or are currently in formation. The study confirmed that the work of Catholic Volunteer Network helps nurture budding vocations each year across the country and around the globe.



2016 Mustard Seed Recipient

DUBUQUE AREA VOCATION ASSOCIATION

Dubuque Area Vocation Association (DAVA) represents 12 congregations of religious women and men in the Upper Mississippi Valley who collaborate with the Archdiocese of Dubuque to promote vocation awareness. As vocation ministers, they reach out to nurture, promote, encourage, and help those who feel called to religious life. The group sponsors numerous activities to promote vocation education, including:

- presentations in parishes and schools; retreats for faculty;
- an annual Sixth Grade Vocation Day for the Catholic schools in Dubuque county;
- annual talks in the archdiocesan high schools on the Christian call to “mission;”
- retreats, spiritual direction and discernment groups on college campuses;
- discernment weekends for those interested in religious life;
- a bi-annual program for youth and young adults, featuring a national speaker on vocation/call;
- collaboration with the Dubuque area communicators and the Archdiocese of Dubuque to publicize and promote such events as National Catholic Sisters Week and the Year of Consecrated Life.

DAVA's work has helped create a culture of encounter, engagement, and vocation that can and does serve as a model to other vocation ministry groups.



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