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Hi everyone! I hope everybody has been enjoying this beautiful summer. Here are all the happenings coming up.

Correspondence

Get well cards went out to Emma Diaz, Frieda Dolde, and Pat Aleci. A Sympathy card was sent to the family of Ruth Shaffer and a Thank You card was received from Sr. Callista and family.

Cindy requested to be informed of any associate hospitalized so she can send out a card to let them know we are praying for them.

Formation Orientation

Mark your calendar. Judy has the upcoming dates for Come & See and Orientation sessions:

Come and See will take place in the LePuy Room on Sunday, August 20th from 1 - 3:00 pm. This gathering is for interested persons in the Association to learn about us and ask questions. We have 3 candidates so far: Kathy Wise, Cathy Cicone, and Susan Cadwalder. All associates and sisters are also welcome.

The first Orientation session on **Charism** will be on Sunday, September 24 in the Medaille Hall between 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. The flyer for the day is attached.

October 15, 2017 session will meet in the large conference room between 1-3 pm. The topic is **Spirituality** directed by Sr. Lyn Szymkiewicz and the Indiana prayer group.

November 12, 2017 session in the large conference room between 1-3 pm. The topic is **Directional Statement** led by Sr. Stella Cronauer and the West Virginia prayer group.

January 14, 2018 session in the large conference room between 1-3. Topic is the **Histories of the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Associates** with the archivist, Kathy Washy and the Monroeville Prayer group.

February 11, 2018 session in the large conference room between 1-3 pm. Topic will be **Consensus Statement** with Sr. Mary Frances Grasinger and the Wilkins Prayer group.

March 11, 2018 session in the large conference room between 1-3 pm. The topic is on **Maxims** led by Sr. Ruth Bearer and the Baden Sunday afternoon group.



Apostolic

To help stay connected, sisters and associates, Judy Lewis plans to send a letter to the sisters and ask if they would like to sponsor future associate candidates. Also, Sr. Lisa, the Director of Pastoral Care at the Villa St. Joseph, is inviting us to help at the Villa by spending some time with the 116 sisters and residents staying there. Some associates are already involved but the needs at the Villa have expanded.

In addition, Sr. Kari Pohl, the new Congregational Coordinator for Justice and Peace would like to visit the associate prayer groups to talk about her ministry. She will update us on what all the ministry does and how we may be able to help.

REMINDERS:

- **Associates Tea with the Sisters** on Sunday, August 13, 2017 in the dining room at 1:00 pm. RSVP to Carol Brown by Thursday, August 10th.
- Golden Julibarians on Saturday, September 9, 2017. RSVP by August 15th.
- Next Board Meeting is Sunday, October 8, 2017 at noon. All are welcome.
- Memorial Day is Saturday, November 11, 2017. Flyer to be sent in October.
- Christmas Caroling with the Sisters on Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 1:00 pm. in the dining room.

CSJ Associate Prayer

O God of Unity and Strength, unite us, Sisters and Associates, in heart and purpose. With St. Joseph as our patron and guide, and Mary as our model of openness and holiness, we will try to discern Your call and be faithful in our response.

Strengthen us to serve the people of our world and enable us to be a healing presence for those in great need.

Give heart to our mission, grace to our lives and our labors so that we may grow more deeply in oneness with you and each other. May Your blessing be upon us, for in You is our power and our fulfillment both now and forever. Amen

