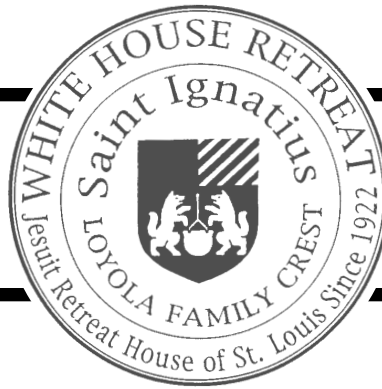


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*Through the years, calling,
inviting all to come to know
the Lord and accept
His Gift of Peace.*

White House Retreat To Offer Two Advent Days of Prayer

Last year at the request of many retreatants White House Retreat offered two Prayer Days during Advent. Both of them filled up and the feedback from those attending was very positive. We will again offer them this Advent.

Fr. Donald Cunningham, S.J., will lead the Day of Prayer which will be offered twice: **Monday, December 4 and Wednesday, December 13.** The day will center on an Advent theme and our spiritual preparation for Christmas. It will begin at 9:15 am and end by 2:30 pm. There will be two morning reflections on an Advent and Christmas theme, lunch, an afternoon conference and celebration of the Eucharist. There will be a number of priests available during the day for those who would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for Christmas.

This Day of Prayer is for both men and women so it provides a great opportunity for a couple to share the retreat experience. Please try to get a group of friends or parishioners to come together. The same theme will be offered twice for the convenience of people who find it easier to come on a particular day.

Registrations are also being accepted for the **Lenten Prayer Days** to be offered on Ash Wednesday, **February 21, 2007**, and Monday of Holy Week, **April 2, 2007.**

To register please send your name(s), address, daytime phone number and email address to White House Retreat Office, 7400 Christopher Drive, St. Louis, MO 63129. Please include your offering (suggested \$20.00).



A Note from Father Buhler, S.J.

As many of you know I suffered a heart attack on August 2nd and was away from White House Retreat for the next month and a half. I am not able to thank folks for the flowers, candy, cake and several hundred get-well cards and letters. I very much appreciate all of them. They were a huge help during the long hospitalization. Sincere thanks to all who prayed for me and put me on various prayer lists all over the country. It seems that every couple of days I find out that my name had been placed on a parish, K of C, or Holy Name Society prayer list. I am very grateful.

Hospital and recuperation time provided many opportunities for prayer. You, the men and women of White House Retreat, were daily in my thoughts and prayers and continue to be as I resume my ministry here at the retreat house. I look forward to greeting you in person at your next retreat. Let's continue to pray for each other! Thanks!

REMEMBER: All registration and business correspondence should be sent to: White House Retreat Office
7400 Christopher Dr.
St. Louis, MO 63129-5799

Special Note: White House's Echoes Newsletter is now available on our web-site— www.whretreat.org

— *A Request for Help* —

This past summer was an historic one for White House Retreat. The first new building to be built on our grounds for over fifty years was completed and the Jesuits moved in on July 1st. Part of the old Jesuit residence was renovated and in mid-July the White



House Retreat office moved from its city location to the retreat house grounds. This marks the first time in White House's history that the office has been integrated with the rest of the retreat house's activities. The former Jesuit rooms are in the process of being made

into additional retreatants' rooms and additional office space.

During this past year we asked for your financial help with these important projects and also to help another Jesuit retreat house in the Central American country of Belize. We are still about \$200,000 shy of the amount spent on these projects.

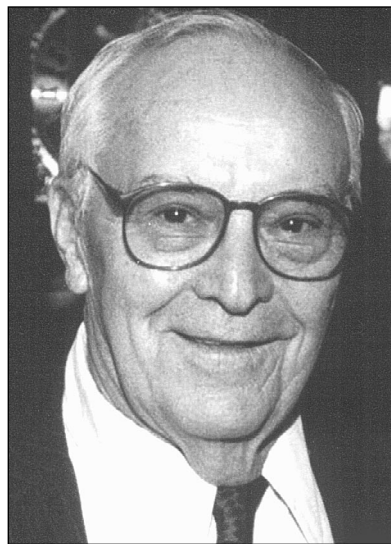
If you are able to help us pay this debt we Jesuits will greatly appreciate it. We are deeply grateful to those who have already contributed to these projects.

Video Now Available on DVD

White House Retreat's excellent eleven-minute video is now available on a high quality DVD. The video has been highly praised and even utilized by other retreat houses to illustrate the three-day preached Ignatian retreat. Captains have used it in their recruiting efforts and many have found it to be a beautiful souvenir of their annual retreat.

Copies of the DVD are available at White House for \$5.00; or we can mail a copy to whomever you wish for \$6.00.

Email: reservations@whretreat.org or call 314-533-8903 to order.



R.I.P. HARRY SMITH

While not well known to most retreatants, generations of White House Retreat's Captains had worked with Harry Smith for twenty plus years. Harry was the retreat house's publicity man and unofficial historian. The excellent brochures and posters that Captains used to help promote the retreat experience had been developed by Harry over the years. Harry organized and set up the old monthly meetings at The Salad Bowl and made sure that Captains had the packets and cards prepared for them by the office.

Harry was a history buff and carefully cared for photos and information about White House Retreat's history. He prepared materials to give to the Midwestern Jesuit Archives and also researched the same Archives for interesting aspects of White House Retreat's fascinating history. Harry was very devoted to the Blessed Mother and made the "Rosary Plaques" that a retreatant receives on his 55th retreat.

On July 12, 2006, Harry was called by the Lord to his eternal reward. Harry was a life long bachelor but was blessed with loving and devoted nephews and their families. Fr. Buhler officiated at the funeral Mass and Harry was laid to rest with his parents in Wood River.

White House Retreat is very grateful for Harry's years of devoted service. Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him, O Lord!

MEN!

Want To make A Second Retreat In 2006?

This year we will continue to open some of the November and December retreats to men who have already made their 2006 retreat. It is also a good time for someone making a first retreat and for men who want to make up a missed retreat this year, especially during the season of Advent.

WEEKEND

November 2 - 5, November 9 - 12

November 30 - December 3

December 7 - 10, December 14 - 17

WEEKDAY

November 27 - 30

To register for the retreat that interests you please call the office at 314-533-8903 or 1-800-643-1003 or you may register on-line at: www.whretreat.org.

WOMEN!

The weekday retreat for women November 13-16, 2006, has more than 40 spaces available as of press time. The women's weekend retreat November 16-19, 2006, has a few openings.

2007 WOMEN'S RETREATS

WEEKDAY: March 19-22, April 16-19, May 7-10, May 21-24, July 23-26, September 10-13, October 15-18, October 22-25, November 12-15

WEEKEND: May 24-27 Memorial Day, June 14-17 Fathers' Day for men and women in recovery, July 26-29, November 15-18

Registration for 2007 women's retreats and \$50.00 deposit will not be accepted until after the dates/information letter is mailed approximately January 15.

The mailing will contain a letter, the retreat dates, and a registration card to be returned.

The mailing will be sent to women who have made a retreat in 2004 or later, those who registered for a 2006 retreat but were not able to attend, and those who have not made a White House retreat and have asked to be on our mailing list for 2007.

These dates are published now so that women can begin planning for their retreat next year. Others who would like the opportunity to register may submit their name and address to be added to the January 2007 mailing list. Send name, address and phone number (e-mail address optional) by the end of this year to:

White House Retreat Office

7400 Christopher Drive

Saint Louis, MO 63129

FAX (314)533-8428

E-Mail: reservations@whretreat.org.



All Souls' Remembrance

In accordance with a long cherished tradition in the Church, the Jesuit community invites you to join us and those on retreat during the month of November in remembering our faithful departed. This "All Souls' Remembrance" is a way for each of us to remember those who have gone before us to share in the resurrection of Jesus.

We invite you to include the names of your deceased family members and friends in the blank space on the back of this panel. Cut off and mail it back to us. It will be placed in a basket and given a place of honor in the Chapel of the Jesuit Martyrs of North America.

Please...

Do not send an offering. We want this to be our gift to you.

We ask God's blessing on you and your family.

The Jesuit Community of White House Retreat

Dear Fathers:

Please remember these departed loved ones in your Masses during the month of November.



**May They Rest
In Peace**

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In Memoriam

Remember in your prayers these retreatants who have died. All are remembered in the daily Masses and prayers of thanksgiving at White House.

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| Date Unknown
Francis J. Lane | Robert A. English
Robert W. Fuchs
Robert Gaal
Edwin M. Giesecking
Alfred F. Grimm
Joseph M. Hadican
Joseph P. Heisserer
Cliff E. Hoedebecke
Marcella G. Lumetta
Louis R. Melchior
William H. Padberg
Stephen P. Pawlowicz
Milton F. Schmidt
Paul C. Schoebelken, Jr.
James J. Sharamitaro
Harry B. Smith
Richard T. Young | September 2006
Francis S. Basler
Lorraine R. Bene'
Stanley J. Ciapciak, MD
Charles J. Custer
Luke F. Dolan
Lucille J. Dykas
Kenneth R. Einig
Marie G. Ewers
Edward J. Fleming
William Freesmeier, Sr., DC
Rosalie Fusz
Bernard D. Gleespen
Alfred G. Goodenough
William A. Goodnick
Paul A. Irwin, Jr.
Catherine E. Martin
Neal F. Roach
John J. Schneider
Roland Schneider
Robert C. Schulte
Frances Z. Stevison
Joseph M. Strubert
James L. Sullivan, Jr.
Herman A. Valli |
| October 2005
Harold J. Schenk | | October 2006
Benjamin F. Horman
Richard B. Knoll
Anthony J. Kruz
James M. O'Day |
| January 2006
Martin Geders | | |
| April 2006
Floyd F. Boxdorfer | | |
| May 2006
Paul J. Berghold
Ken Creason
Lester F. Hoffman
John L. (Mac) McWeeney
Weston J. Molloy
Ellsworth (Ed). Reuter
Robert O. Shea | August 2006
Angelo J. Alongi
James F. Bussmann
Velma Christman
Loretta C. Ebeling
Anton J. Hummel, MD
John W. Jacobi
Daniel B. Kell
Teresa G. Meyer
John L. Moran
August G. Schlafly
John D. Sinclair
Patrick F. Strassburger
Raymond Suda, Sr. | |
| June 2006
Wayne R. Behney
Leo R. Clooney
Nick J. Giacalone
Adam M. Leader
Frank L. Mercer
Anthony G. Minnick
Vernon J. Noelker
Joseph H. Thaman, Jr.
Lucy Cleary Viers
Robert S. White | | |
| July 2006
Robert Blanke | | |

In Gratitude

The following friends have asked for memorial gifts to White House Retreat in the wake/funeral notice of a loved one. For helping us in this special way, we extend our most grateful appreciation and thanks to:

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| The Family
On the death July 12, 2006, of
Harry B. Smith | The Family
On the death Aug. 2, 2006, of
Loretta C. Ebeling | The Family
On the death Sept. 19, 2006, of
Lorraine R. Bene' |
| The Family
On the death July 17, 2006, of
Marcella G. Lumetta | The Family
On the death Sept. 14, 2006, of
Alfred G. Goodenough, Jr. | |

Clip and enclose in an envelope addressed to:

**All Souls' Remembrance
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