St. Joseph's Home

Fall 2023

Annual Little Sisters State Fair

Most of our Residents remember taking their children and later, their grandchildren to the Kentucky State Fair. It was the last big event before the kids went back to school each year. They enjoyed playing the games, eating "fair food," attending a concert and seeing all the animals. What was an exciting day of family fun when they were a bit younger can be overwhelming with the August heat and over a million square feet of expo space.

The Little Sisters, never wanting the Residents to feel like they have to miss out on a great outing, brought the fun and excitement of the Kentucky State Fair to St. Joseph's Home, including "Freddy Jr." Freddy Jr. is the smaller cousin of 14-foot Freddy Farm Bureau, who has been welcoming Kentucky State fair goers for decades.

The Little Sisters' Fair Week starts with games, "fair food" and Elvis on Monday, followed by corn shucking, cow milking, and pie throwing contests, along with farm animals, on Wednesday. By Thursday everyone one is excited about the cake baking contest — whether entering it or tasting the entries! Of course the week wouldn't be complete without a special game of "Fair Bingo" to round out the week on Friday!











Little Sisters of the Poor

Celebrating the Feast of St. Jeanne Jugan

Making the Residents happy was all that mattered to St. Jeanne Jugan. We think she would love to see the smiles on our Residents' faces as they enjoyed our Annual "No Talent – Talent Show" performed in honor of the mission she began in 1839.



The AJJ performed Old MacDonald in the feast day "No Talent — Talent Show"

Cruising on The Mary M. Miller



What better way to spend a warm summer afternoon than to cruise down the Ohio River and take in the beauty of both Kentucky and Indiana shorelines. St. Joseph's Residents were on board the Mary M. Miller for a two-hour cruise that included kicking up their heels to a little music along with the sights and sounds of the river.

To make more of these events possible, please support our "Sunny Day Fund."

Thank you Dare To Care — Food Fight!

Hunger is a major issue for the elderly poor. Many have to decide between paying for their medication and buying food. Dare To Care not only provides for individuals struggling to feed themselves and their families, but offers to fill the gap for organizations like St. Joseph's Home. On September 8, Dare To Care paired local businesses with non-profits to shine a light on food insecurities. St. Joseph's Home was paired with Walmart. After a quick tour of our Home, Walmart staff got to work clearing and cleaning



the landscape around St. Joseph's Home.

Thank you Dare To Care and Walmart Volunteers!

53rd Annual World Champion Dainty Contest Benefits St. Joseph's Home

In 1971, beloved former Resident and friend, George Hauck, revived the "Dainty Contest," a street game which originated with German immigrants in the early 1800s. His aim was to bring the community of the Schnitzelburg-Germantown Neighborhood



Neighborhood together. Today, the "Dainty Contest" has grown into a threeday Dainty Festival and is in its 53rd year. The event's new name, Schnitzelburg's World Championship Dainty

Contest is the community event George envisioned and

more.

In keeping with George's love of community and the work of the Little Sisters of the Poor, donations received during the Dainty Contest are still given to St. Joseph's Home. Recently, Jennifer Chappell (Metro Council

District 15

Representative) and John Ronayne, owner of Bluegrass Homebrew Supply, members of the Schnitzelburg Council, presented a check to Mother Mary Richard and Sr. Dora along with a souvenir "dainty," a piece of whittled broom stick.

Honoring our Grandparents & the Elderly

This is the third year that the Church worldwide marked the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which was established by Pope Francis in 2021 to be celebrated on the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents.

This year the Residents of St. Joseph's Home celebrated with the Little Sisters and some of their family members.



Mother's Musings

Dear Friends,

When this newsletter reaches you, we will have already transitioned into autumn. The summer brought our St. Joseph's family many happy moments, not least of which was the



feast day of St. Jeanne Jugan on August 30. The Residents prepared for this occasion by several enjoyable activities during the month that allowed them to get to know our Mother Foundress better. On the 30th, we had a festive Mass with the participation of our Jeanne Jugan Associates who spent the day with us. A "No Talent, Talent Show" brought together the whole St. Joseph's "family" with performances by the Residents, Jeanne Jugan associates, staff members, and Little Sisters. It must have given joy to the heart of our Mother Foundress!

We want to keep this family spirit going well into the future. To do that, we need to introduce more young people to Saint Jeanne Jugan and to the wonderful Residents who reside here. Pope Francis continually encourages young people to engage with their elders, who have the ability to impart decades of valuable wisdom to them. Please look around at your children, grandchildren, neighbors, students... and help us begin fresh relationships which will enrich the lives of young and old for years to come!

As always, we appreciate your prayers and support, without which we could not continue the mission of St. Jeanne Jugan here in the River City. On our part, we keep all your intentions in our prayers and look forward to seeing many of you over the holidays. Please keep us in your prayers, and beg the Lord of the Harvest to send us many more daughters of St. Jeanne Jugan!

God bless you, Mother Mary Richard

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"Father of the poor, you have never refused the prayer of the lowly." J.J.

Immediate Needs:

Washcloths, Kleenex, body wash, shampoo, deodorant, denture cleanser, Halloween candy & fall snacks, copy paper

Larger Needs:

6 Foot Lightweight Folded Tables Walk Ins & Freezers Heat Pumps/Boilers Wi-Fi