



nova notes

Newsletter of the NOVA Community June, 2007

Chair Notes

As we heard on Mother's Day, these are Spirit-filled days for Nova and the month of May certainly lived up to that promise.

Four affirmandi were introduced by their sponsors to the community. An enthusiastic welcome went out to Ben Brady, Ana Cackley, Ilse Cruces, and Mali Kane, four very gifted young people who will be looking to the community for your loving support as they continue on their spiritual journey. Listen for details soon about the fund raisers they are planning in support of their group mission trip to El Salvador in August.

A sizeable number of Nova members gathered to enjoy a potluck supper as a prelude to the annual Calling Forth meeting facilitated by Jerry Barrett. Jerry briefly summarized the historical role of the consensus process in the Calling Forth of new community leadership each year. Jerry gave us a phrase to keep in mind as we prepared to enter into community dialogue: Opportunity to speak, reason to listen. Let the phrase remind us that each time we have an opportunity to speak, we must also remember to give the community members a reason to listen..... refraining from speaking too frequently or for too long. Nova members shared their visions for the Community for the year ahead:

- Continuing interest in attracting new members
 - "Ask me about Nova?" tee shirt
 - Young families
- A deepening relationship among the members of the community
- Formal Nova statements expressing our commitments to peace and to the stewardship of the environment
- Support of our affirmandi
- Examining what we do well, what can we improve, increasing awareness of our caretaking role, especially of the old and young members of the Community

- Powerful social action as we continue to support projects on a much larger scale than our numbers would suggest
- More Community shared non-liturgical events
- Less concern about the future, continuing our work in social justice
- Gratitude for the energy, peace, social justice, and environmental threads in the community
- Religious education for our children
- Dialogue with our Muslim brothers and sisters
- Adult Formation –Summer Series
- Celebration of our 40th anniversary while continuing to discern our call
- International focus on children in the world of the poor

The evening culminated with the Calling Forth of Eric Carroll and John and Nancy Veldhuis. A couple of weeks later, we said thank you to John Tarrant for his leadership over the last two years. Bishop Jackson Matovu and his wife Perusi from Central Buganda University from Kasaka, Uganda joined us for Mass as we celebrated Fr. Joe Kenna's 40th anniversary of ordination and the Community members exchanged pledges of support with the new "chairs".

The last Sunday in May will find us celebrating Mass in the park, surrounding by the beauty of God's creation, our summer cathedral as some of our members call it. Peggy Becker is planning yet another great spiritual formation series in the park on social justice, beginning with Ken Himes on June 3.

Namaste,

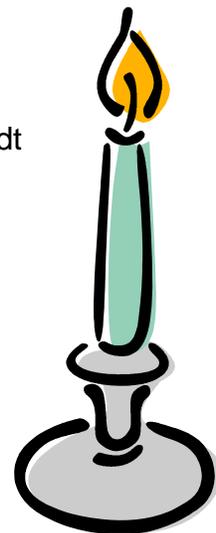
~Nancy

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<p>The NOVA Catholic Community Invites You To Celebrate The Eucharistic Liturgy With Us Every Sunday In Arlington, Virginia.</p> <p>Note: Our Liturgy is usually celebrated at Kenmore Middle School, Arlington Blvd. and Carlin Springs Rd, Arlington, VA. Beginning Memorial Day Weekend up to our Fall Retreat weekend, we celebrate at Lacey Woods Park, George Mason Drive near Washington Blvd, unless otherwise noted.</p> <p>[Lacey Woods] Liturgies begin at 9:30 am—Gather at 9:15 am [Lacey Woods]</p> <p>[Kenmore] Liturgy begins at 10:15 am—Gather at 10:00 am [Kenmore]</p>		

Newsletter Deadline is June 24....

June Birthdays, etc.

- 1 Phil Cackley
- 2 Meg Sullivan
- 3 Elise Annunziata
Ruth Mausert-Mooney (RIP)
- 6 Tim White
- 10 Cecilia Cackley
Drew Christiansen (Ordination)
Quinn Conners, O. Carm.
Dan Gatti, SJ (Ordination)
- 11 Peter Henriot (Ordination/51st Ann)
- 13 Sami Clarkson
Jim Heinzen
- 15 John Lowrey
Karen Markey
Alicia Phillips
- 16 Joe McCloskey (Ordination)
- 17 Marie Chase
- 19 Grace Birch
Kate Doherty
- 21 Peter Goldschmidt
- 23 Jeanne Clarkson
Kathy Furlong
- 24 Sid Boyne
Nancy Chase
Gen Timpane
- 28 Dave Coale
- 29 Peg Boyne
Joe Formoso
Jorge Osterling
- 30 Nicholas Graber-Grace



Liturgies

JUNE MUSIC LIAISON
Tim White

JULY MUSIC LIAISON
Victoria Robinson

June 3 -- The Holy Trinity

Ken Himes, OFM -- Helen Michie
Proverbs 8:22-31
Psalm 8:4-9
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

June 10 – 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bill Callahan -- Jeanne Clarkson
I Kings 17:17-24
Psalm 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
Galatians 1:11-19
Luke 7:11-17

June 17 – 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jim Scullion, OFM -- Emma Violand
2 Samuel 12:7-10, 13
Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 7, 11
Galatians 2:16, 19-21
Luke 7:36--8:3 or 7:36-50

June 24 -- Birth of Saint John the Baptist

TBA -- Marie Pinho & John Tarrant
Isaiah 49:1-6
Psalm 139:1-3, 13-15
Acts 13:22-26
Luke 1:57-66, 80



July 1 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Joe Kenna – Linda Rosenberg
I Kings 19:16-21
Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-11
Galatians 5:1, 13-18
Luke 9:51-62

July 8 – 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bill Callahan -- Victoria Robinson
Isaiah 66:10-14
Psalm 66:1-7, 16, 20
Galatians 6:14-18
Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

July 15 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

John Langan, SJ -- Victoria Robinson
Deuteronomy 30:10-14
Psalm 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37
Colossians 1:15-20
Luke 10:25-37

July 22 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Quinn Conners, O. Carm. -- Gloria Mog
Genesis 18:1-10
Psalm 15:2-5
Colossians 1:24-28
Luke 10:38-42

July 29 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ken Himes -- Christoffersons
Genesis 18:20-32
Psalm 138:1-3, 6-8
Colossians 2:12-14
Luke 11:1-13

Liturgy Information, news . . .

Liturgy Tip

The Lacey Woods Pavilion is reserved for the whole 16 Sundays of summer for Nova under the name/responsibility of Gloria Mog. We have specified that we will be there from 8-1 p.m. and the Park Permit will travel in the rolling tub with the liturgy items. The rules state that we cannot park by the pavilion so that cars should be used whenever possible for drop-off only of disabled and large items needed for the liturgy. If the Pavilion has been used for a large party/picnic, etc. the day before, it is often in need of a good cleaning and sweeping before you can start setting up. Planners should come prepared with helpers who can move large picnic tables and help with clean-up. If it has been raining the day before, you may need a couple brooms and a squeegee mop. On other days, it's perfectly clean and ready for use, although the picnic tables always need to be re-arranged. Liturgies will be at Lacey Woods through September 9th.

~ Gloria Mog



NOVA's Summer07 LITURGY ITEMS

1 rolling tub; stuff-bag; folding altar

Planners should also bring their own broom, wine & bread, 50 programs, flowers/greenery (if desired)

8:30 am is a good arrival time to setup for 9:15 liturgy

TEXTILES:

1 white full tablecloth; 1 white topcloth; yellow full tablecloth; pink fitted tablecloth;

2-piece jewel-toned table runners; rolled rattan mat (for Offertory-gifts picnic table); 2 priest stoles; 3 sets of napkins (4 yellow napkins / 4 in white with red crosses / 1 multi-colored set of 'cocktail'-sized napkins).

Our jewel-toned NOVA banner is kept in long, navy "stuff bag."

Blue plastic tarp – in plastic bag for protection – to cover filthy grill

ALTAR ITEMS:

7" tabletop wooden cross; sacramentary (priest's book w/purple cover); Candles (1 set of green pillars; 1 set of yellow pillars); set of 2 glass hurricane candleholders (cylinders & separate metal bases).

COMMUNION ITEMS:

2 acrylic plates; 4 stemmed goblets; 1 small glass water jug; 1 acrylic covered pitcher (wine); 4 "communion-to-go" containers.

ITEMS for COMMUNITY USE:

1 plastic program stand; 3 collection baskets; 1 music reference binder; 'call to order'/meditation chime; box of NOVA "business" cards; Arl. County park permit.

Hardware: corkscrew, matches, bug spray, roll of paper towels; 1 contractor trash bag (for trash or wet-table protection.)

What should be in the 'stuff bag'? BANNER, PAPER TOWELS, BUG SPRAY (only)

TAKE EXTRA CARE to KEEP THESE ITEMS CLEAN & TOGETHER WITH THE 'TRAVELING ARK':

- * All tablecloths & napkins
- * We only have 4 "communion to go" containers: bring them back, please
- * We only have 1 hardcopy Music Ref.binder (see also website for song lyrics)
- * Please protect glass hurricane cylinders with bubblewrap.
- * Acrylic goblets & plates also should be wrapped: they CAN break.

GATE KEY: Victoria R. & Bill M. each have park key to rear gate for H/C access and so planners can unload their vehicles before re-parking on street.

PRAY-for-PEACE ceremony: Rolling tub includes a green candle-in-jar; Peggy Becker (with occasional others) will bring a wicker end-table, weekly, to put candle on.

Meetings — Reports, Summaries...



Happy 40th, Fr. Joe

Joe Kenna celebrated the 40th anniversary of his ordination at the Nova liturgy on May 20th. He brought scrapbooks and pictures to share that tell of a long and fascinating life before and after Fr. “Cyril” (Joseph) Kenna was ordained at St. James Cathedral in Seattle, Washington as a Benedictine priest on May 20, 1967.

Born in Everett, WA, his boyhood years were spent on a Mt. Vernon farm and in Salt Lake City, Utah. The family then moved to Olympia and Joe graduated from St. Martin’s High School there in 1958. He was hailed as a radio and television personality, a magician, a pantomime artist, actor and debater. In 1960 he entered the novitiate at St. John’s Abbey in Collegeville, MN and subsequently returned to St. Martin’s College in Washington to major in philosophy. At the seminary he studied guitar, calligraphy and drawing. He illustrated publications and designed sets for the Drama Dept. He subsequently did graduate work in speech and drama at the University of Oregon and went on to become head of the Drama Dept. at St. Martin’s.

After one parish assignment they wrote of him, “In just one year, Fr. Joe has added definite “magic” to the parish. Not only is he a bona fide magician, but a skilled dramatist, talented musician and master calligrapher. Joe worked in Campus Ministry at Central Washington University before being assigned to Washington, DC to be a facilitator between the National Council of Catholic Bishops and U.S. Campus Ministry Directors. Subsequently, he enrolled in the Pastoral Counseling program at Loyola College in Baltimore. His lifelong love of the theatre drew him to the study of psychodrama and a 2 year internship at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital Psychodrama Program. He went on to establish a private practice of Counseling and Psychotherapy and became certified as a Trainer and Educator in Psychodrama.

It has been Nova’s delight to benefit from the many talents and the ongoing inspiration of Fr. Joe. We are grateful to celebrate this special occasion with him.

~Gloria Mog



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Nova Social Concerns – 2007
Upon entry to our 40th Anniversary

It is clear from the Social Justice survey: Nova, as individuals and as a community, are choosing to focus on knowing and doing more that enhances our place in the creativity of the Universe that is;

- hands on,
- concerned about women, children and the marginalized in general who hold the hope of the future,
- in a green way, and,
- with prayer and thoughtful discussion.

Hands on: look for options in near future – Manna, Action Africa, Christ House, AFAC, ASPAN, AACH.

Concerns re: women/children/marginalized: seeking ways to dialogue with Muslim Women, supporting Affirmandi in their learning experience in El Salvador, as well as enhancing our projects such as in Nicaragua, Uganda, Bolivia

Green Way: helping one another in community to be as green as possible, finding ways through our current projects to help marginalized folks participate in greening their environment, perhaps through the Nova Coop.

Prayer/Discussion: participating with Bill Callahan in Adventures in Reconciliation Quest for Peace's Just Say No initiative, discussion group using Pax Christi Peace Activities, joining Call to Renewal's Faith and Justice Churches, having discussions on Catholic Social Teaching, learning about Ministry of Money.

~Dianne Carroll & Marie Keefe

When My Boys Each Left Me, But Were Still in the House

In the back yard of our house on Arlington Street in St. Paul, we had a great tree that the boys loved to climb and play in. It wasn't very big, but easy for the boys to climb and use their imagination to play games in. On some days, it was a rocket ship, other days a fort or a pirate ship. The tree and the sand box were the two main attractions in the yard. We didn't have much money.

One Saturday, probably in 1963, I was trimming some branches on the tree with the boys watching. Somehow, I slipped and fell, landing on my back. It wasn't a long fall, but it knocked the wind out of my lungs. I couldn't breath or speak for a short time. However, it seemed much longer because John, Bob, Tom and Steve knelt around me looking so frightened and concerned as they touched me, looked directly into my eyes and asked me if I was OK. I couldn't say anything to reassure them. After a few minutes when my breathing returned to normal, I sat up, put my arms around them and told them I was OK. Even then, they didn't seem completely reassured, having been so startled by just seeing me helpless and speechless on the ground.

At the time, they were very young: John was 10, Bob 9, Tom 7, and Steve 5. I have thought about that incident many times since, picturing the scene in my mind. My overwhelming thought has always been how important I was in their lives at that time. I was it! I was the big guy in their lives, indispensable!

Subsequently, five times, they each, in his own way, broke away from me to become a teenager, to begin their process of independence. Not unlike what I had done with my Dad 15 years before, but now I was the one being abandoned. The break was never one incident, or one moment in time. It always took longer than that. But, for me, it didn't get easier with experience. It hurt a lot, even though I understood in my head that it was absolutely necessary.

~Jerry Barrett

NOVA News . . .

News on the 40th

The coordinators for the 40th Anniversary celebration (Gloria, Dianne and Meg T.), the newly elected chairs and Anne Passin, convener of the liturgy team for the 40th, met on Memorial Day to review plans and resolve issues. Dianne has prepared a "Save the Date" post card which will go out to everyone soon and will encourage people to register for the event(s) on the web at www.nova40th.info. We will also be collecting reflections about the impact of Nova on one's life on the website. Some of these will become part of the Program booklet for the Saturday celebrations. We are still considering different venues for the event due to the limitations on size and numbers at St. Clement's – stay tuned.

We set the goal of trying to cover all the expenses for the week-end through suggested donations. Since it's the 40th, we settled on \$40/person as a suggested donation for the week-end festivities. Meg is looking into the possibility of having DC Kitchen cater the Saturday dinner. They are said to have a very good catering service and it would be a wonderful cause to support. Many social justice projects are in the works with a special emphasis on environmental and peace issues. You may have noticed that Jim Furlong has been filming lots of events around Nova. He is creating a new "Nova Story" film which will debut at the dinner on Saturday, January 12th. Ted Miller is in charge of publicity and will be sending out brief press releases on the events as the time gets closer.

Thanks to Ken Chaison for creating an attractive and user-friendly 40th website; to Joe Annunziata for agreeing to coordinate the Sunday Round Table with Nova clergy; to Jeanne Clarkson who is working on the retreat on the theme of community visions; and to Larry Goldschmidt who has agreed to be the treasurer for the 40th. We are most in need of help now for people who will work on the retreat; the Saturday evening dinner/reception; the Friday night gathering at Meg Tuccillo's; and the Sunday brunch. Let Gloria Mog know if you are able to help: gloriamog@comcast.net.

~Gloria Mog

Affirmandi Choose to Help in El Salvador

After the presentation of our Affirmandi to NOVA, Ana, Ben, Ilse, and Mali announced their intention to participate in one of our Social Justice Projects, in Co-Partners for Campesinas in Ilobasco, El Salvador, directed by Archer Heinzen. Co-Partners is a non-profit dedicated to helping women, the programs teach rural girls and women income generation skills, mentor girls and women to become organization and community leaders, provide micro-lending to individuals for income-producing endeavors.

The organization members in Ilobasco, El Salvador, called La Nueva Esperanza (New Hope), are from rural communities surrounding the market town of Ilobasco, El Salvador. Members range in age from ten to eighty-four. Although some arrive for meetings in the backs of pick-up trucks, others may walk for several hours to attend. Adult members usually have 0-2 years of school, while younger ones often have up to five. Members typically come from families whose annual earnings are less than \$1000 a year.

The Affirmandi will have an opportunity to learn directly about the life and experiences of Oscar Romero by visiting places central to his life. They will also be conducting a camp for the children of the rural women, providing opportunities for them to learn computer, English, and manual skills as well as to have opportunities to participate in drama, sports and art, all the while having fun. Affirmandi will also be helping launch a library since these children have no access to books.

Currently the Affirmadi are fundraising, learning about Romero, and planning the camp prior to their departure July 27th. They seek Spanish books for children and basic English learning books to take with them. They know this will be an experience which will challenge them extensively and are counting on the moral support of the community.

~Marie Keefe

NOVA News . . .

Emma Violand-Sanchez

From Summer 2007 Newsletter of Escuela Bolivia, Inc.
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After more than 30 years of service at Arlington Public Schools and leading advocacy efforts on behalf of the Latino community, Dr. Emma Violand-Sanchez will be retiring this summer. Luckily though, she will maintain her stamina in advocacy around the county.



In a touching event, many students thanked Dr. Violand-Sanchez for her commitment in bettering the lives of immigrant families as did parents, colleagues and family members. The special words of her daughter, Julia Hainer, moved many of the attendees as she thanked her mother for touching the lives of so many people and families and being a role model in the family and community at large.

Martha Bond Showalter

Ken Showalter's mother passed away peacefully May 30th, 94 years young!

Not a stranger to NOVA liturgies, it was easy to celebrate her life through her children, grandchildren and numerous arts and crafts items that she produced.

Our hearts are with Ken and Cathy and the rest of the Showalter family at this time. Memorial contributions may be made to

The Copper Ridge Institute
710 Obrecht Rd.
Sykesville, MD 21784.



Warren Reich

We welcome Warren and Anna Reich back from their two-month absence. The Nova community may have thought they were off on a two-month holiday in Italy; but that was not the case. Warren spent a month doing research on the history of consolation at the Institute for Religious Studies in Trent, in northern Italy; and then he lectured in five cities in Italy.

In addition, he was awarded an honorary doctorate in "theoretical, moral, and political philosophy" by the University of Macerata. The University awarded Warren the doctorate for his contributions to the founding of the field of bioethics, for his leadership in creating the ethics of care, and for his "authentic spirit of dialogue." More on this later.



*"Go where your best prayers
take you."*

-- Frederick Buechner

NOVA News . . .

MS Walk - Huge Success

Thanks to everyone who participated in the MS Walk this year. Some of you donated and some walked, donated, & raised money. The M.O.M. (Marvelously Optimistic Mom) Team raised \$5800.00 (I raised \$2400.00) to help find a cure and end the devastating effects of multiple sclerosis.

No sun the day of the walk, but plenty of pouring torrential rain! Everyone on the team showed up--pink shirts over raincoats, hats, umbrellas, camera, wheelchair, and best of all - good humor.

I am so grateful for all your love and support!

~Dianne Carroll

Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC)

National Hunger Awareness Day — June 5, 2007

Tuesday, June 5th, is National Hunger Awareness Day. Help the Arlington Food Assistance Center fight hunger in Arlington by donating food during the day. See their website, www.afacinfo.org, for drop off locations. Shop at Crate & Barrel, Clarendon, where 5% of sales that day will be donated to AFAC. Then dine out at AFAC's 4th Annual Restaurant Night. Over a dozen Arlington restaurants are participating by donating a portion of their proceeds from the evening to AFAC. See the website for a list of participating restaurants.

Possible ways to volunteer for AFAC:

- Join the volunteers who distribute food at Gunston each Thursday
- Weekday drivers to pick up donated food at supermarkets
- Afternoon & evening helpers at the warehouse to shelve food and fill bags for clients

If you are interested in any of these you can contact Dianne Carroll, diacarroll@comcast.net, 703-536-2616 or check current needs at www.afacinfo.org.



Gunston Food Distribution Volunteers for the summer

There is still plenty of spaces for more helpers! diacarroll@comcast.net or 703-536-2616

June 7: Eric Carroll, Marie-Claire Walters and Jenny Carroll

June 14: Cecilia Cackley & Cathy Goldschmidt & _____

June 21: Glen Passin and Syd Boyne

June 28: Tim White, Marcelline Niemann, Jerry Barrett

July 5: Cackley family

July 12: Cecilia Cackley and Cathy Goldschmidt & _____

July 19: Tim, Marcelline, Jerry

July 26: Glen and Syd

August 2: NEED VOLUNTEERS

August 9: NEED VOLUNTEERS

August 16: Tim, Marcelline, Jerry

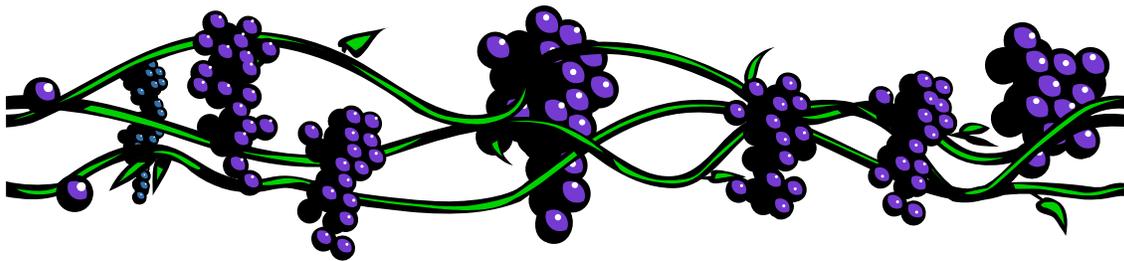
August 23: Carolyn/Ted Miller & _____

August 30: Glen and Syd

Important Dates & Activities

Retreat note — Save the Date — Advanced Planning

NOVA's 2007 retreat will be held at Shrine Mont in Orkney Springs, Virginia, September 14-16. Do NOT call or e-mail Kopp Michelotti for reservations until July. I guarantee anything you say or send to him before July will be forgotten and you'll just have to start over from scratch!



Pasta & Salad—Christ House

The NOVA community will prepare and serve dinner for nearly 70 clients of the Christ House shelter in Alexandria on Monday June 18. Members of the community will prepare pasta, meatballs, veggies, and salad to be served in the Christ House temporary location, the Washington Street United Methodist Church, 115 S. Washington St., Alexandria. Our crew arrives at the church at 4:00 PM to start cooking. Ken Chaison has agreed to serve as executive chef for the June 18 meal. If you would like to help, call Ken Chaison at 301-571-8180 for information and directions. I wish I could tell you how grateful the clients at Christ House are for your generosity.

By the way, for those who are curious, it is expected that the Christ House renovations will be completed by the end of summer. At that time, we'll have more flexibility both in terms of time for preparation and in terms of menu. Yes, this means we can again serve meals prepared in home kitchens. After the renovation of Christ House is completed, we can go back to our traditional menu of meatloaf and scalloped potatoes, if we wish. I believe this gets the community more involved in a hands-on way and allows those who cannot work at Christ House to contribute their effort in a personal way.

A decision for the community to make (probably at the next social justice meeting) is whether we wish to provide meals on the third Monday of odd numbered months. Currently, NOVA serves on the 3rd Monday of even numbered months. No parish or organization serves on the third Monday of odd numbered months. On those days, the staff of Christ House provides their "default/emergency meal" - hotdogs.

This is not as simple a decision as might seem at first blush. It would require serious commitment from the community. Ken Chaison would be willing to serve as "executive chef" for odd numbered months but not everyone who now cooks and serves would be willing to do so every month. More volunteers would have to emerge.

A second consideration is food supply. Would the community be willing to make meatloaf and scalloped potatoes every month? My biggest concern each time has been whether I would get enough meatloaves. (I always do, but it's always a concern. In that regard, Costco food is actually easier for the coordinator because I just buy what I need.) Now if it turns out that we can't get enough meatloaves every month, we can always do our traditional menu one month and buy prepared food the next. To my way of thinking, the bigger issue is availability of volunteer help. Just one more thing to ponder before our next social action meeting!

~Kopp

Thank you, Nova . . .



Dear Nova Catholic Community,

Thank you for your tax-deductible contribution of \$400.00. Your support and willingness to help spread the word about the development of the Nonviolent Peaceforce is vital to this movement to create a better world for ourselves and for our children.

Our Sri Lanka teams are in constant demand to provide protective presence both within the communities where they have lived and worked for the past three years as well as with internally displaced people. The peace talks are stalled as violence continues. There is no doubt that we are saving lives everyday. At a recent training session in Nairobi, participants did a simulation of a child soldier kidnapping from a public festival. When asked if the simulation was like the actual occurrence, staff remarked that when NP is present at the festivals, kidnappings do not happen.

In April, NP launched its first Rapid Response Project. A ten month project to protect human rights defenders in Guatemala during the election period in that country has already begun. The project includes a Director and four volunteers. The proposal was approved after death threats were made and offices of the human rights defenders raided.

Initial funds have been raised from individual donors toward the Mindanao project in the Philippines. Phase One NP Peacekeepers will arrive in May. Also in May, NP's first training in the Spanish language will take place in Quito, Ecuador.

During a time when it seems the world is awash in violence it is critical that we uphold the courageous and effective nonviolent work of our peacekeepers made possible by your generosity. Nonviolence works!

I deeply appreciate your help.

With hope and resolve,

/s/ Mel Duncan, Executive Director

Ps....

Friends,

Thank you for your reliable and continuing donation and support for NP. It's an exciting time for NP manning 3 field projects – Sri Lanka, Guatemala, and Philippines!

Peace...

/s/ Pat Keefe OSF, Outreach Coordinator

Recycle. Reuse. Renew Hope for Nicaraguan Kids.



How You Can Help

Welcome to the Clean Your Desk Campaign. We collect — *used but still useable* — school supplies for children in the rural schools of Nicaragua.

Your donation will help Nicaraguan kids in need, *and* support the world-wide effort to recycle — in this case to reuse the materials you send.

Please extend a hand to renew hope for the many children with so little.

Participating is Easy

Contact us for your free organizing packet that includes: lesson plans for elementary/middle/high school students, a motivational poster, a map of Nicaragua, and preprinted shipping labels.

Also, consider a donation to help with shipping the materials to Nicaragua.

Support Our Goals

- 530 U.S. schools participating in the Clean Your Desk Campaign.
- 3,300 boxes of school supplies (60 tons = 3 cargo containers).
- Supplies for 30 rural areas in Nicaragua.
- \$25,000 to collect & ship \$2.5 million worth of supplies.

Collect Used but Still Usable...

- Pens, pencils & chalk
- Paper & erasers
- Notebooks
- Art supplies, crayons & markers
- Scissors & rulers
- Musical instruments
- Basketballs, baseballs, etc.
- PLEASE...NO books or anything battery operated!

How to Contact Us

Quixote Center / Quest For Peace
Attn: Clean Your Desk Campaign
PO Box 5206
Hyattsville MD 20782

301-699-0042 [ph]
301-864-2182 [fax]
quest@quixote.org [e-mail]
www.quixote.org/quest

We'd like to thank you...
Drop us a line when you ship supplies to our warehouse.

Shipping Your Supplies

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**CYDC / Quest For Peace
Condor Warehouse**
506 Shaw Road
Bays 329-330
Sterling VA 20166

**Renew Hope.
Please Help
the Clean
Your Desk
Campaign!**

Called Forth 2007

Bishop Jackson Matovu and his wife Perusi from Central Buganda University from Kasaka, Uganda



John Veldhuis
Nancy Veldhuis
Eric Carroll

...new Nova
Chairs 2007



Bishop Matovu blesses the Nova Chairs

Afffirmandi 2007



Ben Brady, Ilse Yath-Cruces, Ana Cackley and Mali Kane were introduced to the community by their sponsors Tim White, Jim Weber, Marcelline Niemann, and Nancy Veldhuis. Nova looks forward to learning more about them and supporting their dreams.



June, 2007



Thanks, John



John Tarrant receives a standing ovation for serving two years as Nova co-chair.