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~ *President's Address* ~

What's Happening with SVdP?

- **North Central Region VP** - Jeanne Harper, Marinette, WI, was recently elected the new Vice President. Jeanne and Dave, her husband, often join us at Marygrove for our retreat.
- **National SVdP President Election** - Thanks for getting your votes to me. We will find out the election results at the annual meeting in September.
- **Conference and District elections** – Thanks to all who served as Conference and District Presidents. Don't forget to talk to your pastor about having your commissioning and recommitment ceremonies this fall.
- **SVdP Masses** - I encourage all of our members and volunteers to schedule and attend our SVdP Masses. The Masses are a good opportunity to remember your deceased members and benefactors.
- **New Conferences** - Do you know of a parish or mission in your area that would be a possible SVdP conference? Please contact your District President and myself so we can meet with them.
- **Mini Convention and Corporate Communion** - October 15-16 in Marquette. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about SVdP at the workshops on Saturday and share Mass and brunch with Bishop Sample on Sunday. Hope to see you there!
- **Stores** - Congratulations to Florence on the recent purchase of a nice building for their store, Gladstone for their building addition and Escanaba for their remodeling project. The stores are all doing well and provide a positive SVdP presence in our communities.
- **Solidarity Dues Discussion** – Voting members will discuss this at the annual meeting in September. All of the DCM members agree that the method should be kept simple and as small of an increase as necessary.
- **National vehicle donation program** - This can be a good source of \$ for your conferences. Please promote it in your communities. Contact me or Laurie if you have any questions.

*God Bless,
Roger*

— 2011 CALENDER OF EVENTS —

- Aug. 26-28 SVdP Retreat at Marygrove
Aug. 31-Sept. 3 National Council SVdP Meeting in Dallas, TX
Sept. 9 Blessed Frederic Ozanam – our founder
Sept. 12 DCM Meeting at St. Peter Cathedral
Sept. 20-21 Store Managers/Store Committee Meeting in Marquette
Sept. 24 Friends of the Poor Walk (Sept. 25th is rain date)
Sept. 27 St. Vincent de Paul
October 15 Mini-Convention at St. Peter Cathedral
October 16 Corporate Communion at St. Peter Cathedral with Bishop Alexander K. Sample.
10:30 a.m. (EDT) Mass with brunch following in the Church Hall
Nov. 9-13 Invitation for Renewal, Indianapolis, IN
Dec. 12 DCM Meeting at St. Peter Cathedral



UP Food Pantries Get “Souped” Up



ESCANABA -- A semi tractor trailer load of premium quality packaged soup is a big bonus for shelves of the food pantries operated by Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) conferences across the Upper Peninsula.

The U.P received one of 12 tractor trailer loads of the soup delivered to various areas in the U.S. through the National Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP). Provided by an anonymous donor, the shipment translates into almost 3 million individual servings of soup.

One of the shipments arrived at SVdP’s warehouse in Escanaba, which in turn made it available to the 21 SVdP operated food banks in the U.P. Collectively the pantries annually provide aid to some 75,000 people in need and those living in poverty.

“Families have been struggling here because of the area’s double-digit unemployment for the past several years, so we are especially grateful for this donation,” said Peggy Bryson, president of the SVdP Conference at St. Barbara’s Catholic Church in Vulcan, Mich. The St. Barbara Conference partners with the SVdP Conference at St. Mary’s in Norway in operating the all-volunteer Norway-Vulcan Food Pantry. Some 700 volunteers in total serve the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the Upper Peninsula.

*Peggy Bryson
St. Barbara Conference*



Friends of the Poor Walk®

Several Conferences are sponsoring a *Friends of the Poor Walk*® in their community to raise funds to assist the poor. It is not too late to plan a walk in your community. For more information go to www.svdpusa.org and click on *Friends of the Poor Walk*®. There is nothing wrong with starting out small and growing every year – even a couple of hundred dollars will help someone with a heating bill or a month’s rent. All funds raised by the walk will stay in your Conference to help you help others. The forecast for funds from the state or federal government available to the Salvation Army, Community Action Boards, DHS or other agencies looks very poor.

Friends of the Poor Walk® Mini-Grant Winners

“Do not be afraid of new beginnings. Be creative. Be inventive. Organize new works of love in the service of the poor. You who have energy, who have enthusiasm, who want to do something of value for the future, be inventive. Launch out, do not wait.”

Frederic Ozanam



The National Council provided \$20,000 for the **Friends of the Poor**® grants to SVdP Conferences in the North Central and Southeastern regions recently. This is an opportunity to receive funding to assist people in new and original ways through these competitive grants. Three of the twelve Conferences approved for funding were from the Diocesan Council of Marquette – SVdP.

Congratulations to:

St. Anthony in Gwinn, MI

Amount: \$2,000 for transportation cost assistance

St. Leonard's in Florence, WI

Amount: \$2,000 for personal care items, transportation assistance and transitional housing for released prison inmates

St. Michael in Marquette, MI

Amount: \$1,800 for laundry assistance for guests at Room at the Inn; a rotating homeless shelter in Marquette.

All Conferences will receive grant information when the North Central Region is eligible again. It’s not too early to start thinking about a need your Conference could address with Friend of the Poor® grant funds. Good luck!

Tithing "First Fruits"



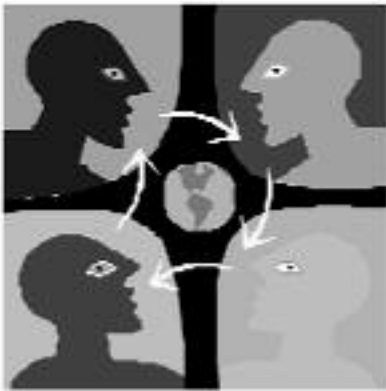
One of the most rewarding parts of going to the North Central Regional or National Council meetings is meeting other Vincentians and learning from them. Some of the knowledge gained isn't from the workshops, speakers or retreats (although those are all very valuable) but from the interactions we have after the day's work has been done.

At the National Council's mid-year and annual meetings, the Vincentians from the North Central Region have their own meeting and then go out for dinner. Keep in mind that the mid-year meeting is in St. Louis, MO and the annual meeting is in a major metropolitan city. There are always a number of homeless people on the streets hanging out, sleeping or asking for money. It can be rather perplexing to have people approach you for money because you're not sure if the request is truthful (is it really for food or is it for cigarettes, alcohol or drugs?) or if giving them money encourages this type of behavior. But, as a Vincentian, I should be kind and generous; not judgmental. After all, I'm attending a SVdP meeting and our secondary purpose is to serve the poor. (Remember, our first purpose is to grow

spiritually as Vincentians.)

One night at dinner, a Vincentian from Illinois shared with us that in years past, when she and her husband would go to dinner, they would be approached for handouts by people on the street. She said that at the end of dinner, her husband would box up the portion of dinner that he hadn't eaten and then give it to a homeless person asking for money for food. She said the individual was grateful to have a meal and her husband felt better that they wouldn't be hungry and that the food wasn't wasted.

Now most of us would be a bit put off at the thought of accepting a stranger's leftovers but if you were that poor and hungry, half a meal from a restaurant would look pretty good. Although the gesture was very kind, with a little tweaking, it could be even better. To meet the needs of a hungry person, a Vincentian can order their dinner and ask for the takeout box at the beginning of the meal. Once the wait staff delivers the meal, the Vincentian can place half of the dinner in the box before starting to eat their own meal. It is a form of tithing to give from our first fruits and shows respect to the other person whom you have treated as a guest.



THE CHALLENGE IS ON!!

The Diocesan Council of Marquette – SVdP has been approved to host the North Central Regional meeting June 26-29, 2014. This will be an exceptional opportunity to show Vincentians from four other states why the U.P. is Someplace Special. It will have been 11 years since the DCM hosted the NCR members and that meeting is still talked about by Vincentians as being the best. There lies the challenge - to surpass the TERRIFIC job that all of you did in 2003.

What made it the best was that Vincentians from every Conference and all of the SVdP Thrift Stores were involved in making it a meeting to remember. This time the Diocesan Council chose to host the event at the end of June to hopefully have better weather (no ice in the harbor), avoid conflicts with high school graduations and encourage young people to attend the meeting and workshops.

As time goes on, you'll hear more about the plans and once again how every Conference and Store can help make the 2014 the best one yet!

Mini-Convention and Corporate Communion

What: St. Vincent de Paul Mini-Convention

When: Saturday, October 15, 2011

Where: Workshops will be held at St. Peter Cathedral

Why: The mini-convention is for Vincentians to learn more about the Society and grow in fellowship with one another.

Hotel Reservations: Ramada Inn of Marquette – 906-228-6000

Make reservations by September 15, 2011 - mention SVdP for special room rates

What: Corporate Communion and Annual Meeting/Brunch

When: Sunday, October 16, 2011 - Mass **10:30 a.m.** (EDT)

Brunch to follow in church hall

Where: St. Peter Cathedral, Marquette

Presider: Bishop Alexander K. Sample

RSVP for Brunch by October 1, 2011

Laurie 906-226-2311 or 800-430-2311 or svdp@upstvincent.org

Mini-Convention Schedule

Time				
8:45 – 9:00	Welcome in Gathering Room			
9:00 – 10:15 Break 10:15-10:30	Ozanam Orientation Parts 1 and 2	Spiritual Advisor Training	Multi-Cultural Diversity Workshop	VOP/Dept. of Human Svces. Doug York
10:30 – 12:00	Ozanam Orientation Parts 3 and 4	Spiritual Advisor Training	SVdP New Energy Assistance Program	Marquette SVdP Thrift Store Tour
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch – Hall			
1:00 – 2:30 Break 2:30-2:45	Ozanam Orientation Parts 5 and 6	Client Advocacy – Charity and Justice in Action	DVD – Sanctity Within Reach: Pier Giorgio Frassati	New Presidents Training
2:45 - 4:00	Ozanam Orientation Part 7	Open Forum – Special Works: Food Pantries, Holiday Programs, etc.	DVD – Sanctity Within Reach: Pier Giorgio Frassati	How to Complete Conf./Dist. Annual Report

8:00 a.m. Daily Mass

11:00 Reconciliation

24/7 Eucharistic Adoration

Registration for Mini-Convention

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Sessions: Please mark sessions you will attend and mail form by **October 1:**
Diocesan Council of Marquette - SVdP, 2119 Presque Isle, Room 101,
Marquette, MI 49855
OR go to www.stvincentup.org to register online.

If you have not previously attended an Ozanam Orientation, you must attend all four of the OO sessions to receive your certificate and pin.

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| 9-10:15 | <input type="checkbox"/> | Ozanam Orientation |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | Spiritual Advisor Training |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | Multi Cultural Diversity Workshop |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | VOP/Dept. of Human Services |
| 10:30-12 | <input type="checkbox"/> | Ozanam Orientation |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | Spiritual Advisor Training |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | SVdP New Energy Assistance Program |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | Marquette SVdP Thrift Store Tour – off site |
| 1-2:30 | <input type="checkbox"/> | Ozanam Orientation |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | Client Advocacy – Charity and Justice in Action |
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| | <input type="checkbox"/> | How to Complete Conference/District Annual Report |



Vincentian Views

Summer 2011

Sts. Martha and Mary Conference
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President - Julie Kent
Vice Pres. - Nancy Sherk
Secretary - Barbara Mae King
Treasurer - Marilyn Winquist
Spiritual Advisor - Dcn. Art Stancher

FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK

Every year the National Society of St. Vincent de Paul sponsors a *Friends of the Poor Walk*. This will be the second year that Sts. Martha and Mary Conference will participate. The walk will be on September 23 from 3 to 5 PM and will be held in conjunction with the Main Street Calumet Farmers and Artists Market. Tom Tikkanen, the Executive Director, is an Associate Member of Sts. Martha and Mary Conference and has donated his time, expertise and resources to help us.

Won't you help us too? We need people to acquire pledges and to walk on that day. Registration forms will be available in the back of each church. Please fill one out and either drop it in the collection basket, mail it to our address, or give it to one of the members of our conference. You are not obligated to walk any particular distance, only what you can or want to. We will have a one mile route planned out through the downtown from Agassiz Park, but any part of it can be walked.

Ask your family, friends and neighbors if they will make a donation to you as a sponsor for your walk. These donations all go to our conference, stay in our area and are used only for our Friends in Need. We have no paid employees, only volunteers.



OUR NUMBERS

From October 2010 to date we have paid water, power and heating bills totaling \$32,828.90. Our home visitors made 238 visits and 300 people were helped (which includes all in the family unit.) Members donated 1280 hours of their time and drove 5175 miles without reimbursement. In addition to the bills paid, \$6807 was paid out or given as in kind services.

An Appeal

As we all know, the past few years have been economically very hard for most people. When times are hard, people don't shop, even at St. Vincent de Paul stores. As a result, revenues at the stores in the Copper Country District - L'Anse and Hancock- have dropped dramatically. The revenue from these stores is used to help conferences like ours, who have no stores, to be able to serve our Friends in Need.

This year the stores have not had any money to give us. We have managed to continue to give help only by the charity of our donors and others who have had fund raisers, such as the Amazing Grace afternoon of music, the St. Paul Altar Society rummage and bake sale, the Sacred Heart Court of Foresters garage and bake sale and the Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church's pancake breakfast. We are so grateful to all for their generosity.

Still, we have had to cut the amount of help we give in half, which means many needs will go unmet this summer.

How can you help us to continue our work?

- Direct donations: Any amount of money you can give will be welcome and all donations go to our Friends in Need. Donations are tax deductible.
- Participate in our upcoming Walk for the Poor, either by sponsoring a walker or walking yourself.
- Refer others who may need our assistance.
- Join our conference.
- Pray for the success of Sts. Martha and Mary Conference.
- Pledge for our Friends of the Poor Walk.

Intergenerational Faith Formation

In mid-March, we were asked to give a presentation about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and our conference at a Wednesday night Intergenerational Faith Formation. President Julie Kent and Vice President Nancy Sherk gave an overview of the mission of the Society and how we apply that mission in the area we cover, the area of the CLK School District.

Attendees were given an opportunity to sign up for membership, helping in various capacities and doing the Walk for the Poor.

We are available to speak to any group which would like to know more about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Ozanam Orientation.

Our conference sponsored an Ozanam Orientation in May. We were assisted in setting up this meeting by our KCC secretary, Sharon Giachino, and our custodian at Sacred Heart, Danny Koskiniemi.

The orientation is required for those who wish to become Vincentians. It was also an opportunity for Nancy Sherk of our conference and Annie Trudell of Ishpeming to complete their process of becoming

formators, who are those qualified to present an Ozanam Orientation.

Ten Vincentians attended, seven from our conference, two from Hancock's Resurrection conference and one from Marquette. Also in attendance were Laurie Schmit, Diocesan Executive Director, and Judi Daley, Diocesan Formator. A wonderful lunch was served by ladies of Sacred Heart Church.

WE CARE BAGS

Please remember that we continue to need personal care items or cleaning supplies for our We Care bags. The St. Vincent de Paul boxes are for these items only. Please do not put food in the St. Vincent boxes. Food collection boxes are located in the entry at Sacred Heart and in the rectory at St. Paul's.



WOULD YOU LIKE A T-SHIRT WITH THIS LOGO – FREE? JUST SIGN UP TO WALK BEFORE AUGUST 7. WE NEED YOUNG AND OLD, MALE AND FEMALE, CATHOLIC OR NOT. ALL THAT IS NECESSARY IS A GENEROUS HEART.

“You will not be judged. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another” (Luke 6:32-37)

This is the newsletter distributed by Sts. Martha and Mary Conference, Calumet, to the parishes and other church communities in their area. It informs all of what their Conference is doing to help the poor. Would this work in your community?

Obituaries

Irene M. DeShambo

Irene M. DeShambo, 93, Escanaba, passed away on Tuesday, April 19, 2011, at St. Francis Hospital. She was born on February 20, 1918, in Wells and also attended school in Wells.

Irene was united in marriage to Earl DeShambo (the love of her life) in 1933 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. The couple lived in Arnold, Gwinn, and Escanaba prior to building their home in Gross where they resided throughout their 64 years of marriage. Earl preceded her in death on June 1, 1997.

Irene is survived by one daughter and her husband, three grandchildren and their families including five great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild and many nieces and nephews.

Irene was employed at Solar Manufacturing Company and as a bartender for 35 years at the Buck Inn. She made many long and lasting friendships during those years.

An MSVP volunteer for many years, Irene was involved with the programs at Christian Park, St. Vincent de Paul, and the handicapped program, helping with bowling and the Special Olympics. Irene was also a member of the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary and the Eagles Auxiliary.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Holy Family Catholic Church in Flat Rock with Fr. Jose Maramattam officiating. Burial was at Holy Cross Cemetery.

Obituary information obtained from the Daily Press in Escanaba – April 21, 2011

Joyce Virginia Bergeon

Joyce Virginia Bergeon, 58 of Escanaba, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, June 28, 2011, at Marquette General Hospital. Joyce was born on Aug. 24, 1952, to the late Arthur and Rose (Dill) Zimmerman. Joyce graduated from Carney-Nadeau Public School.

On Nov. 6, 1971, Joyce married Edward Bergeon at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in

Escanaba.

Joyce was an active and devoted member of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, and involved in many Catholic activities including St. Anne's SVdP Conference and pantry, Adoration Chapel at St. Francis Hospital, Hearts of Praise Prayer Group Member, Cursillo Member made in 2005, Prayer Shawl Ministry, and the Schoenstatt Movement (Our Blessed Mother Thrice Admirable).

Survivors include her husband, Edward of Escanaba; five sisters and two brothers, aunts, uncles, and several nieces and nephews. Joyce was preceded in death by her parents and one sister.

Father Rick Courier and Father Corey Litzner officiated at the Mass of Christian Burial at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church on July 6, 2011.

Obituary information obtained from the Daily Press in Escanaba – June 2, 2011

Karl Wadman

Deacon Karl L. Wadman, Sr., 81, of Rockland, was called home to his Lord on June 29, 2011 at Aspirus Ontonagon Hospital.

He was born on August 27, 1929 in Chicago, Illinois, to parents George Sr. and Zelda (Sherman) Wadman. On May 29, 1949, he married Margaret Joyce Roberts in Maywood, Illinois. Karl served his country the United States Navy from 1949-1954 and was stationed at the Great Lakes Naval Station.

Karl worked at the White Pine Copper Mine, was an orderly at the White Pine hospital, and also worked as a bus driver and custodian at Ontonagon Area High School until his retirement. After retiring, he worked part-time as a desk clerk at the Ontonagon Sheriff's Department. Karl was also an EMT, and was one of the first licensed EMTs in the State of Michigan. He was also one of the first licensed EMT instructors in Michigan.

On June 14, 1996, Karl was ordained as a deacon in Marquette, Michigan. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the American

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Marygrove

RETREAT CENTER

The Annual

St. Vincent de Paul Society Retreat
August 26-28, 2011

\$110 per person
\$185 per married couple



This year's guest presenter
will be
Sr. Kieran Kneaves D.C.
National Director of
Vincentian Formation

To register
Call Marygrove
today:
406-644-2771
or visit us anytime
on line at
www.marygrove.org

GROWING TO MEET THE NEEDS



The Gladstone SVdP Thrift Store is undergoing a major expansion this summer with completion expected by September 15th, 2011. The structure will add 7,500 square feet, on 2 levels to the current store site at 816 Delta Avenue. Part of the expansion will be used by All Saints Conference to provide clients with a private, dignified area where they can feel comfortable while meeting with the Vincentian volunteers. The food pantry will have additional storage capacity while the store will now be able to display furniture on the main floor.

A fund raising campaign is underway. The theme is "Help Us Help Others."

If you are able to assist with a donation, please send your gift to Gladstone SVdP Capital Building Fund, P.O. Box 310, Gladstone, MI 498371

*John J. Balanda,
All Saints Conference*

Obituaries *continued from page 9*

Legion, the Rockland Fire Department and a previous Spiritual Advisor for Holy Family SVdP Conference. He also enjoyed fishing.

Karl was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce; his parents; and a brother, Gary.

He is survived by his children and their fam-

ilies including 6 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren; 2 brothers and many nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held July 5 at 11 a.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church in Ontonagon.

Store Managers/Store Committee Meeting

The SVdP Thrift Store Managers and Store Committee members will have their 6th annual meeting on September 20 and 21 at the Ramada Inn, Marquette. This annual event brings together thrift store managers, assistant managers, store committee members and District Council Presidents to learn ways to improve the store for customers, donors, employees and volunteers.





Capwiz™

Where injustice, inequality, poverty or exclusion are due to unjust economic, political or social structures, or inadequate or unjust legislation, the Society should speak out clearly against the situation, always with charity, with the aim of contributing to and demanding improvements. The Rule of the Society, part 1, section 7.6.

Make Your Voice Count –

Capwiz™ is an online tool that allows quick and easy communications of issues important to the Society. When an “Action Alert” is received by email, you simply respond and the message is routed directly to your elected officials in Washington, DC.

If you have access to the internet, you can use Capwiz™. When there is an issue of importance to the Society, approved by our National President, a “take action” email is automatically sent by the SVdP National Office to those who are enrolled. You can send an immediate reply to your legislators – no postage stamps needed! Follow the simple steps in the email alert and in less than five minutes you will be able to send a note expressing the local situation and what is needed. There is a general letter that you can personally tailor if you wish. Take a few minutes now to enroll in Capwiz™ and make contacting your elected officials a breeze.

Information at Your Fingertips

Knowledge is power. Capwiz™ provides important information at your finger tips. Right under the red email sign up banner there is another banner in red that says, **Click Here for the Voice of the Poor Capwiz™ Advocacy Page**. Click on this banner to locate your elected officials, learn about current legislation, key votes, and the Capitol Hill basics. Take a look at the US House and Senate schedules

for the day and Committee hearings. Use the Capwiz™ advocacy page to see how US Senators and Representatives voted on bills of concern to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Invite Others to Join

Supporters of the works of the Society as well as those we serve are also invited to participate. If you would like to personally invite your friends to join the SVdP Capwiz™ action alert list, scroll to the bottom of the Capwiz™ page and click on “Tell a Friend.” Fill out the form and click “Send Now.” Your friend will receive an email invitation to join.

Together, let us speak for those who have no voice to make a difference. The goal is that at least 10% of our membership, around 12,600 members, signs up for Capwiz™ action alerts. Please spread the word in your Conference and Council. Let us take action together to meet and exceed the goal.

With an organized voice, just think of the potential that is there to “make use of that power of the public word” (1) to encircle the world in a network of charity and justice.

Reference: (1) Dirvin, J. Frederic Ozanam, *A Life in Letters*. Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 1986, p. 357

BECOME A VIRTUAL VOICE OF THE POOR ADVOCATE: Capwiz™ Sign Up is as Easy as 1-2-3!

1. Go to the SVDP National website at www.svdpusa.org (click on this link).
2. Press on the **Voice of the Poor** bar that runs along the top of the front page.
3. Click on the red banner that says: Click here to get on the **Voice of the Poor Capwiz™ Email List**. Follow the directions and you will be signed up in a jiffy. You will be receiving just a few “Take Action” alerts in a year, not regularly, but as needed.

Spiritual Advisor

Please accept my heartfelt thanks to all of you who lifted me in prayer the past few weeks when I was seriously ill and hospitalized. Although it has not been determined what caused my illness, I am much better and regaining my strength. Karen and I have been blessed by your prayers and support.

God bless, Roger Krebsbach



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New Website for SVdP



Check out the new website for the Diocesan Council of Marquette – SVdP - www.stvincentup.org. Angie Spaulding, DCM accountant, recently completed a website design class at Northern Michigan University and developed an entirely new website for the Council. It is a

HUGE improvement over the previous site and much easier to navigate for the information you need.

If you have any suggestions or information that you would like to see added to the site, contact Angie at svdp@upstvincent.org.

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