



The Font

Fostering connections within the Order of Saint Luke Special Edition – May 2010

Note from the Editor:

This is a SPECIAL EDITION of the Font. It is being issued to the electronic distribution list. The contents will appear again in the July/August regular issue, which will also go to the hard-copy mailing list. We are issuing this at this time to provide timely information about personnel and procedural changes from the May meeting of the General Council of the Order of Saint Luke and to distribute the registration form for the October retreat.

Br. Scott Alford invested as Chancellor General

After ten years of faithful service, Br. Brent Sturm tendered his resignation as Chancellor General, effective with our May Council meeting. Br. Scott Alford responded to the call to service, and was elected to this office by the Council at our meeting in Pittsburgh. In the absence of Abbot Daniel, Br. Scott was invested by Sr. Sue Moore, Prior General.



Br. Scott can be reached at:

204 N. Second Street, Memphis, TN 38105

His office phone number is 901.527.8362. His email address is oslchancellor@gmail.com

Br. Brent Sturm was appointed by Abbot Daniel to be a Canon of the Order in appreciation for his faithful service and for the experience and knowledge of the life of the Order.

A message from Br. Scott:

“It is a joy and privilege to be chosen to serve the Order as the Chancellor-General. I must also admit it's quite humbling. The Order has been an important part of my life since 1996, and I look forward to the challenges and blessings that are part of this office. I wish to thank Br. Brent for his faithful years of service and his willingness to walk with me as I learn and begin to live into my new role.”

Br. Matthias Tanner named as Companion for Inquirers and New Members

from Br. Matthias, O.S.L. (Phone: 207-998-5654; Email: Br.Matthias@gmail.com)

A message from Br. Matthias

Our Abbot, Br. Daniel, has appointed me as the Companion for Inquirers and new Members at the recent meeting of the Council of the Order. This is a new position, and I am honored to be the inaugural person to hold it. The Council expects that this will be one part of reducing the work load for our new Chancellor-General.

My concept of this work will be to receive and respond to inquiries from person curious about The Order, and to welcome and form new members into the Order. To do the latter portion of this task, I will need your help. In addition to my contacts with new members, I will be referring

their contact information to the Provincial Companions, to the Priors of nearby Chapters, if any, and to nearby members. The hope is that these will also make contact with our newest members. By doing so, we will be able to put voices and even faces on the Order for them, so that it becomes more personal and inviting. The intention is to continue this effort for the first three years or so of membership, helping people find their place among us. Please help this take actual, rather than theoretical, shape. When I pass such information on to you, please take the time to make contact and extend hospitality to new members in as concrete a form as practically possible.

I believe this task is not a recruitment effort so much as a welcoming and retention effort. We are growing as an Order, in numbers, in ecumenical breadth, and geographical range. We can also deepen our commitment and embrace the blessing we are to GOD'S people. I ask for your prayer support and your cooperation as this effort begins.

Change in Procedure for “Members Only” Password

Following the Council meeting, Abbot Daniel has approved a change to the procedure of distributing password to the “Members Only” section of the Order’s web page. Requests for the password should now be directed to Br. Roger Baker, our web scribe. Br. Roger can be reached at Roger.Baker@rogerbaker.net.

Once testing is complete, we will move to individualized passwords for each member of the Order.

Did You Send in Your Survey Form?

(Reprint from the May/June Font)

Br. Michael J. O'Donnell, Canon of the Order of Saint Luke



The Order of St. Luke is an all-volunteer organization. We have no paid staff. Everything is done through the dedication of the members. We are blessed with many gifted and talented people who are willing to share with the Order. Unfortunately, we do not always know who those people are.

In your May/June 2010 Font there was a short survey to help identify these people. Please fill it in and return by one of these methods:

E. Copy the form and paste it into your word processor.
Fill it out describing your gifts and talents. Your word processor will expand as you write.
Attach the form to an email to
< mjodonnell@bellsouth.net >.

2. Copy the form onto a piece of paper and fill it in.
Send the completed form to Br. Michael J. O'Donnell.
His address is in the OSL directory.

3. Email the information without the form to the above email address.

Thank you for answering this call to service for the Order.

***The 2009 Retreat of The Order of Saint Luke
“Reconciliation and Healing” Led by Dr. Ruth Duck***

October 25-28, 2010

St. Paul of the Cross, Pittsburgh PA

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

Are you an OSL member? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is this your first time attending an OSL retreat? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Your first name as you'd like it to appear on your Nametag: _____

If you have any special dietary or mobility needs, please note them in detail on the reverse.
Please note that most rooms in the retreat center are private with hall baths.

☐ Please register me for the **2010 Retreat** (dinner on Monday, October 25th, through lunch on Thursday, October 28th) at a cost of \$300.00.

☐ Please register me for the **2010 Retreat and Council meeting** (dinner on Monday, October 25th, through Friday morning, October 29th) at a cost of \$350.00.

☐ Please reserve a room for me for me on **Sunday**, October 24th for an additional \$50.00.

☐ I anticipate arriving in Pittsburgh by air, rail, or motor coach. Please have the local transportation coordinator contact me concerning ground transportation.

Please charge my ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ My check is enclosed.

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Signature: _____

Registration deadline is September 30, 2010.

Please return a completed registration form for each individual attending to:

Sr. Sue Moore, O.S.L., Prior General
The Order of Saint Luke
PO Box 6
Durham Pa 18039-0006 U.S.A.

or by email to esmoore@alum.mit.edu

Would you like to volunteer to

_____ Preach at a service of Word & Table

_____ Preside at a eucharistic celebration

_____ Lead an office of Prayer (check all you like)

_____ Morning Prayer

_____ Mid-Morning Prayer

_____ Mid-Day Prayer

_____ Mid-Afternoon Prayer

_____ Evening Prayer

_____ Compline

_____ Vigil

_____ Assist someone else in leading a service of Word & Table or an office of Prayer

Would you be willing to serve as an accompanist for one or more services? If so, please tell me what instrument(s) you play

_____ Organ

_____ Piano

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_____ Other instrument _____

You may request additional information or ask questions by contacting Sr. Sue Moore at esmoore@alum.mit.edu. or by calling her at 610 749 0845.

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Information for *The Font* can be sent to me via email: esmoore@alum.mit.edu, or to:
P.O. Box 6, Durham PA 18039.

If your email address changes, please notify the Chancellor General at chancellor@saint-luke.org and the Font editor at esmoore@alum.mit.edu in order to keep our records accurate.

Grace and Peace,
Sr. Sue Moore

Deadline for submissions for the July/August 2010 issue of <i>The Font</i> is June 20, 2010.
