



From the DSC Executive Director

Lenten Greetings to All!

Our Area Meetings have been so well received, and we look forward to the first webinar Area Meeting that the Dominican Alliance is providing. We hope that it may provide a new way of working together so that we

can better speak with one voice.

If you haven't already been part of one of these meetings, consider April 5th as a great way of joining other Dominicans in hearing what Earth is asking of us.

Peace and all good,

Pat Farrell, OP

Collaborative Corner

Many of you have participated in **Nuns' Build** in New Orleans, but did you know there was a similar collaborative ministry in the Rockaways?

A "**Dominican Family Build**" in the Rockaways is being planned for the week of **August 17-21**. Sisters, Associates, Dominican Volunteers, Dominican Young Adults and others will come together to help rebuild homes in the Rockaways that are still devastated by Hurricane Sandy.

If you can paint, sand, spackle, great you're in! Cleanup crews and a couple of cooks are also needed. Everyone who wants to help out is welcome!

If you're interested in participating and want more info contact Gina Fleming, OP, domsis@aol.com

It's Time for Win/Win

Win/Win is back! Our fund-raiser/fund raiser is back. Along with this issue of "In the Loop" is a raffle ticket form that we invite you to use to enter this year's raffle. You can also obtain them online here.

There will be four drawings on four feasts: The Feasts of St. Catherine of Siena, Our Lady of Fatima, The

Translation of St. Dominic, and Pentecost. Your ticket will be in all four drawings. The winnings for the first three drawings will be \$100; the last will be \$200. What a way to win! The tickets are only a \$10 donation each or three for \$25.

Remember, you have to enter to win it!!

In addition to the Live-Stream Event on April 5th, there are two more Area Meetings scheduled this month. Last month we thanked the Earth Council for their work in creating a wonderful process and DVD that assisted us in looking at the question, “What is Earth Asking of the Dominican Order?” This month we want to thank the Planning Committee for their work in making these meetings possible.

We are hopeful that this is but a first step for us as the DSC in working towards **Speaking with One Voice** on this critical issue of our times.

Area Meeting News

Upcoming Area Meetings

April 5th –Live streamed
from Adrian, MI
*for more information please
contact Sr. Corrine Sanders at
csanders@adriandominicans.org*

April 12th –
Anaheim, CA
*for more information please
contact Sr. John Ellen Turner at
johnellen@msjdominicans.org*

April 26th
Sparkill, NY
*for more information please
contact Sr. Mary Ellen O’Grady
at opsc2012@gmail.com*

Thank You, Planning Committee!

Sharon Casey, OP (Tacoma)
Pat Daly, OP (Caldwell)
Arlene Flaherty, OP (Blauvelt)
Connie Kelly, OP (Hope)
Mary Sue Kennedy (Adrian)
Ginny King, OP (Adrian)
Margaret Mayce, OP
(Amityville)

*DSC Crosses

Every now and then we get a request to purchase one of our DSC cross pendants. Before we can order more we need to have an idea of how many would like to purchase one.

Please email Pat Farrell at
pfarrellop@gmail.com
if you are interested.

You are invited to a Live-Streamed Retreat!



On Saturday, April 5, 2014, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm there will be a broadcast from Weber Retreat and Conference Center. To register for the onsite or live-streamed retreat, contact Corinne Sanders, OP (<mailto:csanders@adriandominicans.org>).

Consider hosting a small group in your area to participate in the retreat via live stream with other Dominicans or at a later date by accessing the archived program to be posted on the websites of Alliance Congregations.

This retreat has been prepared by the Dominican Alliance – but you don’t need to be a member of the Alliance to participate. All are welcome. If you were unable to attend an Area Meeting in your location, this is your opportunity to join in the conversation on “What is Earth Asking of the Order?”

Documents for the day can be found at [this link](#).