

# Beginning Experience of Omaha

## June 2010—Newsletter

### Beginning Experience Weekend

July 23-25

**A Weekend Away For A Lifetime Of Change**

St. Benedict Center—Schuyler

**Plan NOW to attend the Celebration Mass at 3:15 in Schuyler**

Following Mass everyone is invited to continue fellowship at dinner (Dutch treat of course). Those attending will decide the restaurant location. Car pooling from Omaha is encouraged.

If you know someone who would benefit from the BE weekend please invite them to consider attending the weekend. More information and an application is available at [www.beginningexperienceofomaha.org](http://www.beginningexperienceofomaha.org)

### A Prayer for Beginning Experience

*Lord, please send us the people that need Beginning Experience and the people that Beginning Experience needs.*

## You Are Invited

### Beyond Beginning Experience Weekend

- July 27-29 at St. John's University, Collegetown, MN.

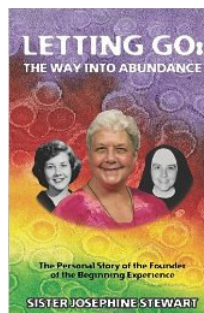
### BE International Convention - July 29 - August 1

at St. John's University, Collegetown, MN. The theme for the conference is "Sowing the Seeds" Celebrating 35 years of ministry.

To learn more about the Beyond BE weekend and the International Convention visit [www.beginningexperience.com](http://www.beginningexperience.com)

### After Convention FUN—Monday August 2

join your BE friends for a day filled with things to see and do on a Twin Cities Tour & Mississippi River Cruise. Cost \$125



Sr. Josephine Stewart, co-founder of Beginning Experience and now author.

St. Josephine has completed her autobiography, *Letting Go: the Way into Abundance*.

This book includes the story of how she came to be one of the founders of the BE ministry. A feature of the International Convention will be a book signing event.

Be sure to visit Amazon.com to see a preview of the book. Purchase price is \$16.99.

If you are not attending the convention but would like Sr. Josephine to sign your book you can give it to Pat Seier or bring it to the Family Life Office, she will take it to the Convention to be signed.

## Soup &

## Pie Supper

Yummy Chili, Chicken Noodle and Veggie Soup along with a beautiful array of pies and desserts were enjoyed by the 50 people who attended the Soup and Pie Supper.

Mary Maxwell's presentation had everyone laughing.

Thank you to the team members and Alumni who helped by making soup or dessert, those who came to help serve and all those who came to enjoy this very fun evening.

The team raised \$361.50.

## BE Memorial Scholarship Fund

A BE Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established to help participants who need some financial help with the cost of attending the BE weekend.

The Omaha BE team appreciates the donation given in memory of . . . husband of Ms. Lourdes Rodriguez, who passed away.

### MAY HE REST IN PEACE

April 2010 weekend two full scholarships + \$25.00 were needed.

## Thank You for Making a Difference



**April 16-18, 2010**

## BE Weekend

Thirteen wonderful participants attended the April weekend and seven BE team members made up the weekend team.

Skits are still part of the weekend. Here is one that was written and preformed on Saturday Night.

Sung to the tune of the *Hokey Pokey*

Put your Denial In  
This can't be happening to me!

[Refrain] Make a BE weekend  
and turn yourself around.

Put your Bargaining in  
Shake your money (Arm raise  
with tight fist )

[Refrain]

Put our Anger in  
Drat's! (stopping of feet)

[Refrain]

Put your Depression in  
Wa—Wa—Wa (crying)

[Refrain]

Put your Acceptance in  
Give yourself a hug

[Refrain]

## 2010 Beginning Experience Weekend Dates



**July 23-25** St. Benedict Center—  
Schuyler

**November 12-14** Archdiocese  
Retreat Center—Omaha

## 2010 Coping

**June 23 through August 4**

St. Leo the Great  
1920 North 102 Street

(Includes the “**Who Am I Now?**”  
6-week program for children 5-15)

**September 30 through November 4**

St. Joan of Arch—Omaha

**September 23 through October 28**

St. Isidore's Convent—Columbus

## MEMBER NEWS

A **Big Thank** you to Vitus Schmidt. and Colette Robinson. for inviting two participants to make the April BE weekend.

Everyone Please Keep Inviting !!!

**Ordination:** The Reverend Karen Elizabeth Watson was ordained an Episcopal Priest on May 6 at All Saints Episcopal church. Karen is a former BE team member and president of the Omaha BE team.

### Happy 60th Birthday to:

Sue Trigg, who celebrated with a SURPRISE PARTY given by her family. Family and friends really caught her off guard!!

Jodi Christensen, who celebrated this birthday milestone with family and friends.

Happy Birthday to all those who celebrate but are not telling.

### Engagement Announcements:

Congratulations to Cheryl Conn and Don Frazier, who became engaged in April.

**Wedding Wishes:** Best Wishes to Vitus Schmidt and Beverly Perske who were married on May 28.

## Let' Stay In Touch



If you do not want to receive this newsletter Please send an email to Pat Seier at

paseier@archomaha.org with a message to unsubscribe. Please put **BE Alumni** in the subject line.

If you received this newsletter in the mail but have an email address , please send Pat your email address so you can be added to the email distribution list.

## BE WEEKEND WANT LIST

**Needed:** People to help with one of the two lunches in Schuyler and choir members for the closing Mass.

Here's how you can help:



Put on your chef's hat and make a lunchbox for each person on the weekend. Clamshell containers are available, all that is needed is someone to purchase the fixings for some yummy sandwiches, make the sandwiches, add chips and fruit and tie is all up with a ribbon. Drive the lunchboxes to the Retreat Center in time for the noon lunch on Saturday and/or Sunday. If you are interested in helping contact Pat Seier at paseier@archomaha.org. It's simple, and FUN.

These wonderful people did just that and more for the April 16-18 weekend. A **BIG Thank You** to Ann Kochenderfer, Betty Cronican, Frank Caruso, Cheryl Conn, Don Frazier and Sara Kelsey who came to help serve meals and Sara Kelsey, Mary Zocco, Colette Robinson, Cheryl Conn, Don Frazier, Frank Caruso, Jennifer Nelsen and Pat Seier for salads, bread and desserts donated for the meal. All the donations of food and the wonderful help make it possible for the team to keep the cost for the weekend meals very low, which helps to keep the cost of weekend affordable.



Choir members for the BE Weekend Closing Mass. If you are interested in being part of the BE Choir of Angels, well maybe not Angels, please call or email Colette Robinson at 402-721-2397 [please leave a message if there is no answer, with your name and availability] or email robinbudco@hotmail.com to sign up. Come at 3:00 for a quick overview of the Mass and SING!!!!

Colette plays the organ at St. Patrick's in Fremont and is a current team member.

Thanks to Carolyn Rhode, Don Frazier, Cheryl Conn, Vitus Schmidt, Beverly Perske, Betty Cronican and Pat Seier for being Choir members for the April BE Weekend Mass.