



God is Spoken of Here!

God is Doing Something New

We celebrate how God continues to bless us with His grace and presence. God is so good to us, here at Young People Who Care.

Since September, Sr. Ruth Ann has been given a scripture on her phone:

Isaiah 43:19a.

**See, I am doing something new!
Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?**

We are basking in the experience of “something new.”

Meet our new staff members!!!!



Doug & Mary Kay Laplante

Doug will begin his new position as Chief Executive Officer in January. Mary Kay will begin her volunteer role in YPWC at the same time!



Diane Balliet – Office Assistant

Diane joined us in April and is the voice of Bethany when you call or register for retreats.



Ronda Stiles – Assistant Director Life Line

Ronda has volunteered with us for many years. She began a part-time position in October and comes with a wealth of knowledge from Penn State Nutrition Links.



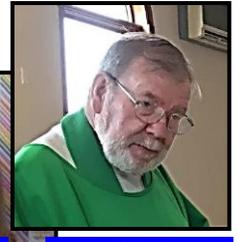
Nicole Fedder



Nikki English



Angela Larson



Fr. Phil Billotte



Todd Fedder



Sr. Ruth Ann



Charlie Saggese



Sr. Suzanne

Placing a face with a name, or a voice!

Deep gratitude to the staff of Young People Who Care, who have lived and worked to preserve the vision of Sr. Therese Dush (Sept. 18, 1931 – April 27, 2015)



Cindy Bell – Assistant Cook

Cindy joined us in October and will be helping to keep up the tradition of great tasting home cooked meals.



Chris Guth – Volunteer

Chris returns to us from the Virgin Islands for a time of renewal, giving back and reconnecting with his family in Frenchville.



Life Line Ministry – Angela Larson, Director

Life Line supports and affirms the dignity and sacredness of each human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Life Line has been aiming to meet the needs of a developing baby since 1986, by providing educational materials, supportive counseling and material goods to pregnant women, biological parents, and guardians that are necessary for a healthy beginning. We are aware that not all individuals are able to afford these types of services and therefore we offer them free of cost through the generosity of our benefactors and donated items.

Life Line provides free and confidential pregnancy self-testing, supportive counseling, educational materials, and various maternity/baby items including clothing, furniture, and accessories. Life Line also provides emergency supplies of diapers, formula, and baby food.

As of October 31st, Life Line has served 162 individual clients with over 334 client visits. Of those clients, 89 of them were new to our services. Due to an increase in clients we have hired a part-time assistant Ronda Stiles, this will help our expecting moms, infants and parents. Ronda's past experience is in not only nutrition but food safety, community connections, and marketing.

Life Line welcomes volunteers to sort donated items or assist clients through counseling. Volunteer hours are flexible. For more information, please call Angela Larson at (814) 765-3225



Ronda Stiles shares a piece of joy she finds in the Life Line Ministry

Being the mother of two sets of twins, I am very partial and passionate about mothers of twins and helping make their lives easier.

Years ago, when my twins were young, I took a Nurturing Parenting class and later became a facilitator of that class through our local Children's Aid Society which helped me become a better parent. So, when a young mother came in to our office with 6 month old twin boys, I was very excited to help educate and counsel her to get through this double blessing.

One of the first things that I like to share is getting them to sleep through the night and how to put



them on the same schedule to make life much easier. She not only had the twins but also a beautiful 2 year old daughter. After talking to this young mother, she was on the right track of parenting her twins and she felt much better talking with someone that has been there before.

I also feel that with my past experience with Penn State Nutrition

Links that I have a lot to offer all of our clients with nutrition from maternity to breastfeeding and beyond.

Life Line has offered me an excellent opportunity to not only share my past experience in nutrition education but also with my experience with nurturing parent classes.

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Bethany Adult Retreat Center – Nicole Fedder, Director



From the Window of Bethany.....I am aware of all the possibilities the retreat center has to offer! For those of you who have been able to attend a retreat and those who are looking out the window wishing you could – we have a wonderful assortment of retreats still to come and next year is starting to be listed on our website. Due to the generosity of past retreatants we are able to offer scholarships to make it possible for people to attend retreats they have always wanted to come to but were unable.

Some have come for a short visit to the chapel, labyrinth, or even visit Marie’s Grotto praying their rosary from their car. Others have stayed longer and joined us for daily Mass, spiritual direction, and great home cooked meals. The retreat center this past year had men’s and women’s groups, church groups from other faiths; Presbyterian, Methodist, Diaconate Formation, Self-Care Retreats and more!! Bethany Retreat Center welcomes people from all walks of life and Christian faiths. If you are looking out your window and are considering a retreat we have so much to offer. Retreatants have said the following about being on retreat here at Bethany this summer:

“I may never fully understand the grace that brought me to Bethany, where, like our Bro. Lazarus and Sisters Martha and Mary, this blessed Christian family opened their home and hearts so that we might be made to feel and remember and know that Jesus is in us and with us, is home too. God’s peace be with you!”

“This week at Bethany was an excellent experience. The Hospitality, the Staff, the beauty of the retreat houses and grounds! I thank God that he led me to Bethany and it continues to bring God to so many of His people – Yes! God is spoken of here.”

Be sure to “like” us on our Bethany Facebook page – there is a daily reflection and upcoming events listing. If you would like to receive emails of our upcoming retreats visit www.bethanyretreatcenter.org Looking forward to seeing you soon!

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When I answer the phone, I never know what the request will be and if we can meet the need. One call in September had been from an uncle, who shared that his 24 year old niece had been paralyzed from the neck down, when a tree fell on her car. He wanted to know if we could help build a ramp so her parents (his brother and sister-in-law) would not need to stress over how to get her into their home.

Four generations have been affected by the generosity of family, friends, neighbors and volunteers from YPWC. The family held a fundraising dinner, the grandfather, uncle and husband assisted with the building. Even her 2 year old daughter helped with handing out screws to the workers. In 4 ½ days the ramp was built! She has returned

home from Pittsburgh, energetic in her physical therapy and her spirits are high as she has now started to use one of her arms.

We want to thank Dan, Jim and Chris for their help in making all this possible. If you would like to offer your help in projects like this, call me, Charlie, at 814-263-4177.



**Bethany Youth Center
Sr. Suzanne, Youth Director**

Bethany Youth Center and Youth Program have seen close to 700 people this year, offered 4,306 services hours in Clearfield County and met the needs of more than 400 people.

Josh Wilson’s song “Dream Small” gave encouragement and inspiration to both the summer staff and the 124 people who lived it out this summer. “Don’t buy the lie you’ve got to do it all, just let Jesus use you where you are, one day at a time.” This refrain still echoes in the hearts of those who came to be molded by the

Master Potter. The symbol of the Service program became the broken pot repaired. When we allow God to mend the broken pieces of ourselves, we become more beautiful!



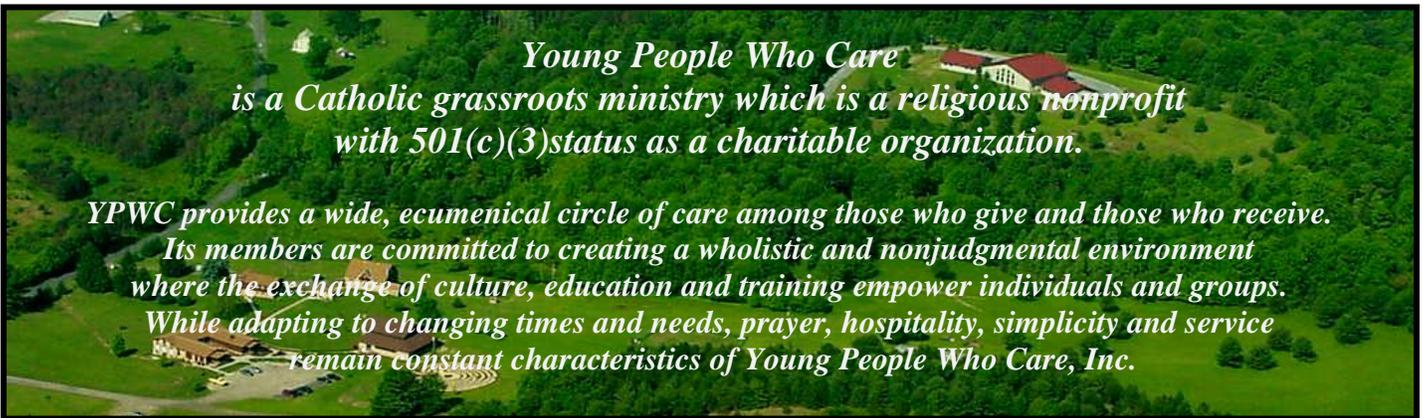
Sr. Suzanne and Sr. Ruth Ann attended NCYC, the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis, IN. We interacted with more than 500 youth

and adults. We pray that God will inspire some of them to come to Frenchville as partners in service to the poor and/or retreatants.

Spiritual Directors – Sr. Ruth Ann & Fr. Phil Billotte

Fr. Phil Billotte and Sr. Ruth Ann Madera, part of the Bethany Retreat Staff, provide hospitality and soul friending for retreatants. They also facilitate as well as participate in many of the retreats. Fr. Phil is also available for reconciliation and celebrates the liturgies. Besides providing spiritual direction Sr. Ruth Ann also manages the Bethany Book and Gift Store.

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Please cut off and return with your prayer request and donation

Prayer is one of the core characteristics of YPWC. We lift up the intentions of our benefactors at daily morning Mass. What prayer intention would you have?

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Direct Service to those in need

Bethany Adult Retreat Scholarship

Youth Program

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