

# Nazareth Association

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## Activities of the Year 1998

### Barbour Hall Reunion

On Saturday, February 21st over 20 former students and staff of Barbour Hall met at Nazareth for their first reunion in many years. It was held in the History room and included videos and other memorabilia from their years at Barbour Hall. Refreshments of sub sandwiches, cookies and assorted beverages were served. There were many classes represented and another reunion is planned for Summer/Fall of 1999. If you would like to help organize the next reunion or know of a former student who would like to attend, please contact us here at the Nazareth Association Office either by mail, (P. O. Box 224, 3427 Gull Road Nazareth, MI 49024) or phone (616 342-1191)

### Retreat

Sister Helen Battle, SSJ, former President of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph was facilitator for the Nazareth Association's Annual Retreat. The theme for the retreat was: "Seeking the Face of God" It was held at Nazareth Center, Nazareth, Michigan on Saturday, March 7, 1998.

Time for solitary reflections as well as opportunities for sharing were provided.

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## Letter from Linda

*Dear Nazareth Association Members and Friends*

*As I write this, the snow is starting to fall again here at beautiful Nazareth Michigan. The winter weather is later than I remember in years past, but boy is it winter. The amount of snow reminds me of my youth.*

I hope you all enjoyed a glorious Christmas filled with the joy of your relatives and friends around you and look forward to a healthy and prosperous New Year.

The past year was an eventful one here at the Association. We were fortunate to have a newer computer donated to us that had a Pentium processor and Windows 95. We also now have an almost full time helper in the office, Sister Theonilla Holahan, SSJ. She is responsible for most of the day to day operations and is the sweet voice that answers the phone. I'm just around to pick up the slack and help "her" when she needs it. Sister Theonilla is truly a gift from God. We are also on AOL now with the new computer. Our email addresses are [Srtheo@aol.com](mailto:Srtheo@aol.com) and [Nazassoca@aol.com](mailto:Nazassoca@aol.com).

Sister always checks her email first, so I would recommend using that one to contact us here at the office. I hope to hear from all the people out there with Internet capabilities. Stay tuned for the Web Page we are working on.

The newsletter includes events from last year, and scheduled events for 1999. One new event on the calendar is something we are borrowing from the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century... *A Card Party*. Please check out the details in the newsletter and join us.

We've also included various notes from you and the Classes that meet regularly. If you have news you would like included please send it to us.

Page 3 includes the by now familiar Annual Fund Coupon. Please return it with what you can. Without your donations we wouldn't be still in existence.

Thank You and God bless you all.

*Linda*

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