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THE UPDATE

September 14, 2017

*Editor's note: As The Update goes to press, there appears to be further uncertainty with regard to the future of DACA. Following a meeting with President Trump yesterday, the Democrats announced that they and he "agreed to enshrine the protections of DACA into law quickly, and to work out a package of border security, excluding the wall, that's acceptable to both sides." However, President Trump tweeted today, "No deal was made on DACA".*

## Cabrini Immigrant Services, NYC *Ramping Up Services for Dreamers*

The staff at Cabrini Immigrant Services of NYC has been working hard to respond quickly and effectively to the Trump Administration's recent decision to rescind the DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) Program. This is a decision that puts the lives and dreams of nearly 800,000 young people at risk -- including around 500 people whom CIS-NYC has helped apply for DACA over the last 5 years. In response to this disturbing news we have made our voices heard at local rallies, ramped up our legal and social services for DACA recipients and their families, and prepared a range of resources to address the concerns of our community.



CIS-NYC staffers rally to maintain DACA.

Last week we hosted a packed meeting where affected community members and allies came together to support one another, reflect on the events of the last couple of weeks, and get their questions answered. We provided information about the implications of this decision and laid out the work that is yet to be done in the coming 6 months to ensure that our Dreamers and their loved ones are protected. **We will be holding another workshop with an immigration lawyer next Thursday, September 21st at 6 pm at our offices (139 Henry St).** The meeting will be in both Spanish & English and food and childcare will be provided. All are welcome!

**If you or someone you know needs legal, social or emotional support, please contact our office at 212-791-4590 ext. 100. If your DACA expires between September 5th, 2017 and March 5th 2018 you must renew your DACA before October 5th 2017. CIS-NYC will be taking appointments for renewals until October 3rd. If you need to renew but are unable to pay the fee on such short notice, contact us and we will do our best to assist you in finding the necessary resources.**

**If you would like to support our efforts to protect and defend our Dreamers, please considering making a donation at: <http://bit.ly/donatecis> and indicate in the note that you would like to donate to our DACA Fund. Funds will be used to fund our legal and advocacy work, as well as to assist clients in need with paying their DACA renewal fees. ~ submitted by Ella Nimmo, LMSW, CIS-NYC**

# Cabrini Health's Sue Grasby, RN

## Named Catholic Health Australia Nurse of the Year

Sue Grasby RN, a nurse manager at Cabrini Malvern, has been awarded Catholic Health Australia's (CHA) annual Nurse of the Year Award for 2017.



Sue Grasby, RN, tends to one of her very young patients.

According to Professor Lee Boyd, Cabrini's Executive Director of Nursing and the Cabrini Institute, Ms. Grasby is a strong patient advocate. "I am thrilled that a Cabrini nurse has been awarded CHA Nurse of the Year," said Professor Boyd. "She represents all nurses at Cabrini who work so hard every day to provide exceptional care."

The award recognizes Ms. Grasby's volunteer contributions to healthcare services in Papua New Guinea (PNG). "She and her husband lead No Roads Health expeditions, which focus on providing healthcare for villages in PNG with no road access," said Professor Boyd. "This commitment is undertaken

during her annual leave and at considerable personal expense."

The award includes a cash prize of \$5000 for use in supporting a program or for professional development and a trophy.

Ms. Grasby says she is committed to improving the health of the PNG people and engaging in health promotion to prevent illness in remote areas.

### **The road to PNG**

Ms Grasby's involvement with providing health outreach services in PNG was sparked when she trekked the Kokoda Track with family and friends in 2010. Over eight days, the group passed through many small villages and interacted with local people. The experience provided an understanding of the isolation along the track and lack of access to basic health care and medical treatment.

"I felt the need to respond to the chronic lack of health care that is being suffered by our close neighbors and which we take for granted in our country," she said. "This experience affirmed my desire to give back and try to make a difference to these people who live in remote villages and lack so much in both access and availability of healthcare."

In 2014, Ms. Grasby began volunteering with No Roads Health. Together with a team of nurses, she returned to PNG to provide healthcare to those most in need. The team travelled by foot, car and boat to six remote coastal villages where many of the people they met had never seen a healthcare worker before let alone a nurse from Australia.

Since then, she has returned to PNG twice a year with No Roads Health, and now works as the clinical leader of the teams who volunteer their time and self-fund their trips. Small teams of health professionals, mainly nurses, support health needs within these remote communities, helping people maintain good health, and relieving health problems where possible. “During my most recent trip in March 2017, more than 640 patients attended our six clinics,” she said.

### **A trusted presence**

During her health outreach trips to PNG, Ms Grasby seeks to support and mentor local PNG health care workers and village health assistants who visit remote villages with the team.

“Our clinics see many children with ear conditions related to life near the ocean, tropical leg ulcers compounded by heat and humidity, and many illnesses and disease processes that can be fatal in these remote areas but would be resolved with a simple visit to a GP in Australia,” said Ms Grasby.

Some villagers will often walk or canoe long distances, up to eight hours, to visit the clinics and the team visits elderly or dying people in their homes if they cannot attend.

Ms. Grasby’s work includes extensive assessments for PNG children who have congenital or acquired disabilities, injuries and illnesses, for consideration of corrective surgery in conjunction with Children First Foundation (CFF).

“I am dedicated to improving the health and welfare of these people, all the while learning more about the new ailments that are prolific in these regions, many of which are unseen in Australia,” she said. “This cause has become a personal passion of mine and one which I am sharing with others at Cabrini with the primary focus of being to improve healthcare outcomes for those in the remotest areas of PNG.”

*~ submitted by Christine Elmer, Director of Marketing and Community Relations, Cabrini Health, Malvern*



### One Minute Meditation

Thoughtfulness is the beginning of great sanctity. If you learn this art of being thoughtful, you will become more Christlike, for he always thought of the needs of others. Jesus went about doing good. The quickest and surest way to do this is to use our words for the good of others. If you think well of others, you will speak well of others. If your heart is full of love, you will speak love. *St. Mother Teresa, Life in the Spirit*





Sister Candida Encarnacion Soto, MSC welcomes the visitors from Lodi, Italy to the St. Frances X. Cabrini Shrine in New York City, where she regaled them with life stories of Mother Cabrini.

and history in the United States. The pilgrims were enthralled by the stories told in their native Italian by the Missionary Sister, originally from Argentina who has followed in Cabrini's footsteps for six decades. Archbishop Malvestiti, the bishop of Lodi, Italy, and three other Italian priests concelebrated Mass for the pilgrims, who were on the final leg of a visit to holy sites in New York.

This was the second visit by a group from the area of Italy familiar to Saint Frances Cabrini. Earlier in August, pilgrims from Codogno also were delighted by a presentation by Sister Candida. They arrived in New York City without their luggage, but were cheered up by a warm welcome, hot coffee and their first American brownies. Eventually, reunited with their suitcases, they went on to have a joyful pilgrimage.  
*~ submitted by Cherie Sprosty, liturgist, St. Cabrini Shrine*

# Cabrini Shrine NYC Welcomes Visitors from Italy

The chapel at the St. Frances X. Cabrini Shrine in New York City was filled with the voices of 100 pilgrims from Lodi, Italy as they sang 'Nel cuor della grande America,' led by Archbishop Maurizio Malvestiti on August 30. The cherished song was the finale of a presentation by Sister Candida Encarnacion Soto, MSC about Mother Cabrini's ministry



Earlier in August, a group from Codogno, Italy spent time at the Shrine and enjoyed some New York hospitality.



Archbishop Maurizio Malvestiti (c) and pilgrims from Lodi, Italy pay a visit to the St. F.X. Cabrini Shrine in New York City.

# Cabrini Science Squad Brings Learning to Elementary Classrooms

The Cabrini High School Science Squad, a complimentary science outreach program, sponsored by the Cabrini High School Science Department, sparks student interest and curiosity in a variety of science topics. The Cabrini Science Squad travels to local classrooms with hands-on science lessons and activities for students in pre-kindergarten through eighth grades.

From chemistry and physics to life and environmental sciences, Science Squad lessons are led by a Cabrini science teacher and team of students. Elementary school teachers simply choose a topic from the Science Squad's menu of lessons or request a topic suited to the needs of the class. The Science Squad will come to the teacher's classroom fully equipped with an engaging activity and all the materials necessary to excite students about science. Or, if teachers prefer, they can bring their class to visit the Science Squad at Cabrini High School for a field trip.



Members of the Cabrini High School Science Squad teach youngsters about the wonders of science.



Members of the Science Squad share their love of science with grade school students.

The Science Squad program began as a way for Cabrini High School to help elementary school science teachers by providing equipment and resources they may not otherwise have access to and introducing new and exciting activities to their classroom.

Under the direction of Cabrini Science Department Chair Ann Smart, the Science Squad was founded in 2014. Since its inception, the program has grown rapidly. During the 2016-2017 school year, the Science Squad conducted nine presentations at seven schools, reaching nearly 300 elementary students.

Says Smart, "What I absolutely love about the Science Squad is getting younger students excited about science so they will look forward to taking more science courses in the future and maybe even consider a career in science."

The Cabrini Science Squad can deliver a wide variety of hands-on lessons that explore buoyancy and pressure, density, forces, acids and bases, physical and chemical reactions, speed, distance and time measures, DNA extraction, endangered species, genetics, the water cycle, and more!

"Bringing the Science Squad into the classroom is a great experience for elementary school teachers and students, but it is also beneficial for Cabrini students to share their classroom knowledge with the younger students. Science Squad is "service learning" in action because Cabrini students are able to learn the material better when they are teaching it to someone else," adds Smart. ~ submitted by *Katelyn Gross, Director of Communications, CHS*



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## **THE GOOD THAT MUST BE DONE:**

### **The Life and Legacy of Mother Cabrini**

Join us for a five-part event series that considers how Mother Cabrini lived her life, the impact she had on so many people, and how her legacy has changed the world.

#### **Her Spirituality**

Ray Ward and Christopher Grosso,  
Cabrini University  
September 21, 12:30–1:30pm  
(lunch will be served)  
Grace Hall Multipurpose Room

#### **Her Leadership**

Tom Southard,  
Cabrini University  
October 19, 9:15–10:15am  
(breakfast will be served)  
Mansion Dining Room

#### **Her Service**

Robin Larkins,  
Curiositas, Inc.  
November 7, 12:30–1:30pm  
(lunch will be served)  
Grace Hall Multipurpose Room

#### **Her Charism**

Sr. Joan McGlinchey, MSC,  
Archdiocese of Chicago  
November 29, 1:00–2:00pm  
(lunch will be served)  
Grace Hall Multipurpose Room

#### **Her Educational Philosophy**

Maria Williams,  
University College London  
February 7, 1:00–2:00pm  
(lunch will be served)  
Grace Hall Multipurpose Room

RSVPs or questions to  
[Wolfington@cabrini.edu](mailto:Wolfington@cabrini.edu) or  
610-902-8122.

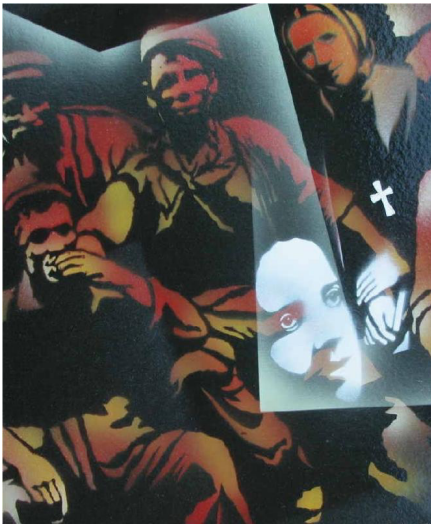
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## *Upcoming Events*



**SEPTEMBER 14TH**

OPENING RECEPTION

“Homage to Sr. Frances Xavier Cabrini”

Italian artist Meo Carbone brings his modern art exhibition to the Shrine for its North American debut. Please register on-line for reception.

6 pm – 8 pm

The exhibit runs through 10/22 during normal business hours.



**SEPTEMBER 19TH**

Centenary Concert  
University of Notre Dame  
Liturgical Choir  
7 pm

This special concert is being held in conjunction with the International Assembly of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus  
Free will donation.

# Join the Cabrini of Westchester “300” Club!

Participation in the “300 Club” is limited to 300 members. Each member contributes \$100 and is assigned a number from 1 to 300, providing participants with the opportunity to win up to **\$5,000.00!**

**Members will participate in a drawing for the following prizes:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Number Drawn \$5,000.00
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Number Drawn \$1,500.00
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Number Drawn \$1,000.00
- 4<sup>th</sup> Number Drawn \$ 500.00
- 5<sup>th</sup> Number Drawn \$ 100.00
- 6<sup>th</sup> Number Drawn \$ 100.00
- 7<sup>th</sup> Number Drawn \$ 100.00

Drawing will be held during a wine and cheese reception on Sunday, September 17, 2017 at 5:00 pm at Cabrini of Westchester

(115 Broadway, Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522)

Members are invited to the Drawing/Reception.

**Winners need not be present.**

You can secure your lucky number by calling the Development Office at 914-693-6800 ext. 502 or emailing [sherceg@cabrini-eldercare.org](mailto:sherceg@cabrini-eldercare.org).



# Prayer Requests

## ***Linda Sykes-Brannon***

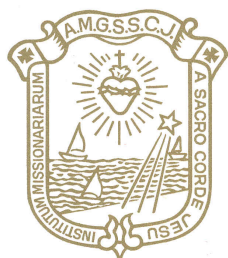
Cabrini Companion Linda Sykes-Brannon writes, “I am recovering from a stroke in July. I am one of the spiritual companions and live in Santa Fe, NM.” Linda has asked for our prayers. Please join in prayer for Linda’s complete recovery.

## ***Whitney and Mark Hart and Family***

This family has asked for our prayers. Please keep them in your thoughts and intentions.

## ***Erin Lively***

Your prayers are requested for Erin who is a young mother of three, who is battling cancer in several areas of her body. Her wonderful husband, Pete, and their three children ask for your prayers for their wife and mother.



## ***Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus***

Please keep the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in your prayers as they gather in Chicago for an MSC Assembly and their interchapter meeting. May the Holy Spirit inspire their time together and may their travel to and from Chicago be safe and uneventful.

## ***Lorraine Sembra***

Your prayers are requested for Lorraine, the daughter of Fran Marinaro, a long time friend of the Missionary Sisters, who underwent surgery yesterday. All went well with the surgery. May she have a swift recovery. Fran thanks everyone for your prayers.

# In Loving Memory

## ***Laurence John “Larry” Colfer***

The Cabrini Community joins the University Community in extending sympathy to Steve Colfer, Athletics, on the loss of his father, Laurence John “Larry” Colfer, who passed away on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> 2017. Please remember the Colfer Family in your prayers at this time.



## ***Betty Michaelis***

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Betty Michaelis, a good friend of Sr. Catherine Garry, MSC, who passed away yesterday. Betty was a former secretary at Cabrini High School in New Orleans. Please pray for her loved ones at this sad time.