

# IN Formation- Vocation SCNJ

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## Choose Charity Interns at the Motherhouse

by Dave A. Pena

During these past few semesters, young adults have been coming to the Motherhouse to help the Sisters of Charity. These are the new faces of the Choose Charity Volunteer Program. The Interns in this program work in areas related to their majors, which gives them the opportunity to grow new skills. Everyone at the Motherhouse has a positive opinion about the program. Sister Anne Haarer says, "It's a wonderful idea that the internship program has taken root, and hopefully it will grow. It is great to have young people here."

Even though the fall Interns have just started, they are already learning about the spirit of the Sisters. They are also getting to know the Sisters on an individual basis. The young adults are pleasantly surprised to find just how congenial the Sisters are. One Intern, Alexus Currie, is planning on ways to inform others about the Sisters of Charity and their work. She wants to share her insights on her experience here thus far. Alexus says, "I see an influence with the students. I'm learning to view life differently, to look at situations from the outside



*Intern, Dave Pena with Sister Mary Fallon, SC,  
at the Motherhouse*

in, and to take myself out of it to make a concrete decision."

The Sisters have much to offer the students, just as the Sisters are excited to learn new things from the younger generation. Everyone is looking for the new program to flourish, to bring new possibilities, and to invite people to discover the Sisters of Charity. "Be yourself, and let yourself be known. Share your interests and do what you like to do in life," advises Sister Mary Fallon, as the Interns think about the future and what it holds for their careers.



## Meet Jessica

The Vocation Office hired a new Social Media Assistant, Jessica Bonder, to enhance and expand our online presence. Welcome Jessica!



**Coming soon!  
Our  
PODCAST  
for National  
Catholic  
Sisters Week!  
Stay tuned!**

## NEW VOCATION ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

This Fall, we welcomed three new Vocation Advisory Board Members: Sister Roberta Feil, SC, Maria Capozzoli, and Katie Blevins. Here, they introduce themselves in their own words.

Sister Roberta Feil, SC: On September 6, 2016, I began my new ministry as the Coordinator of Community Life at our Motherhouse. The blessings and challenges will be many I'm sure, and I am grateful to be able to use my gifts and talents in service to the local community here.

Maria Capozzoli: I am a junior at the College of Saint Elizabeth and I have a passion for English, theatre, and helping others.

Katie Blevins: I am a sophomore at the College of Saint Elizabeth and I have a passion for working with young children.

Thank you and welcome to our new Board Members!



*Sister Roberta Feil*



*Maria Capozzoli (l) and Katie Blevins (r)*



*Sister Mary Canavan, SC, greets one of the new students who attended the Ice Cream Social.*

### Ice Cream Social

by Sister Mary Fallon, SC

On the afternoon of August 24th, the halls on the first floor of the Motherhouse were filled with conversation and laughter coming from thirty-five freshmen from the College of Saint Elizabeth. Sister Maryanne Tracey invited these students to an Ice Cream Social. Awaiting their arrival were about fifteen Sisters of Charity anxious to meet some of our new students. We were especially happy to see the male students who are new to our campus. The students quickly mingled with the Sisters and then headed for

the ice cream. Conversation flowed easily from our students who were anxious to know about the life of a Sister of Charity.

At the end of our time together, the students thanked us and were happy to know they could come again. Our special thanks to Sister Maryanne for arranging this lovely event.



*Three new students enjoyed making their own sundaes after meeting the Sisters.*

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