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Capuchin Retreat presents art exhibit, gold party

Capuchin Retreat, 62460 Mount Vernon Road in Washington Township, is hosting an art exhibit and sale, as well as a gold party, June 8, from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., in honor of the retreat house's 40th anniversary.

"This will be a special day," said Capuchin friar Ken Reinhart, administrator of the retreat center. "Capuchin Retreat has 95 acres of beauty. We will have artists located throughout the property, creating artwork. We will also be displaying artwork and photography, some created by our Capuchin friars and staff."

Fifteen percent of the proceeds from the art sale will be donated to the retreat center.

Dominic's Fine Jewelry of Sterling Heights will also host a gold party during the event. People may bring in unwanted gold jewelry to be examined by Dominic's staff, who will then sort the gold by karat, weigh it and pay cash, based on the closing price of

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the gold market from the previous Friday.

“This is a wonderful opportunity for Capuchin Retreat,” Reinhart said. “Dominic’s will donate 15 percent of the day’s gold proceeds to the retreat center. The 15 percent does not affect or diminish the amount paid to the individuals. It’s a win/win for the individuals and for Capuchin Retreat.”

This marks one of the events of the 40th anniversary celebration of Capuchin Retreat.

In 1965, Mount Vernon native and Capuchin retreatant Art Zaske provided a 95-acre plot of land for purchase, giving the Capuchins the challenge of raising the necessary funds to build a retreat house on the rural property.

In 1968, the cornerstone of Capuchin Retreat was laid. The retreat center was built on the highest point of the property, and the remaining land remained rural and untouched.

“We want to share the visual treasure of Capuchin Retreat with our neighbors and surrounding community,” Reinhart said. “What better way than to invite artists to capture the beauty and peacefulness on their canvases?”

Refreshments will be available.

Capuchin Retreat is a spirituality and retreat center which offers programs to renew peace of mind. Capuchin Retreat welcomes people of all faith traditions. Located on 95 scenic acres, it has walking trails and is adjacent to a nature conservancy.

Capuchin Retreat is a Capuchin ministry and is part of the Capuchin Province of St. Joseph, which is headquartered in Detroit and has ministries worldwide.

For more information about the art exhibit or gold party, call Reinhart at 248-651-4826.

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