

Weekly Update to DENA Brothers October 18, 2017 from Br. Chuck Mrozinski

UPDATE ON MONT LA SALLE, NAPA, AND CALIFORNIA FIRES (as of Tuesday, October 17):

The Brothers who were evacuated to other Bay Area Brothers' Communities continue to do well. Permission was given for Mont La Salle to be used as an emergency worker staging area and also for its water supply to be used by firefighters. A fire behind the west side of the Mont La Salle property has been contained and largely extinguished, but containment does not mean that the fire is out. There is a chance that live embers could be carried by winds and start fires elsewhere. Crews are monitoring for hot spots and flare-ups. According to them, the fire advanced as far as a line of trees just beyond the Mont La Salle cemetery before the firefighters gained control. The Redwood Road roadblock has been moved from 5 miles from Mont La Salle to 1 mile from Mont La Salle. Access beyond that point remains closed. The Nunns Fire just to the north continues to pose a significant threat, still highly active, and about 68% contained. This is the fire that crews stopped short of the Mont La Salle cemetery over the weekend. Planning is underway to restore power to the area. However, fire officials stress that this does not mean any timetable for lifting or modifying the area's evacuation orders is in place. The area weather forecast is for warm temperatures and calmer winds with cooler temperatures and a chance for rain later in the week. Justin-Siena High School is planning to begin classes during the week. A Justin-Siena Fire Relief Fund has been established for school community members in need of assistance. SONDAGE:

There is still time to respond to Brother Edward Phelan's sondage to gauge the interest of Brothers in different planned weekend workshops for the coming year. If you wish your interests to be known, click <u>HERE</u> to complete the sondage.

Brother Chuck Mrozinski

HAVE YOU HEARD?

La Salle Educational Center, Homestead, FL, recently welcomed Brother Miguel Campos to their facility. It is a ministry of the District of South Mexico and Antilles. The agency, at the southern tip of the Florida peninsula, provides tutorial classes and short-term occupational skills workshops to a clientele that is predominantly migrant workers and their children. Click <u>HERE</u> and <u>HERE</u> to see photos taken during Miguel's visit.