

# The Retreat Center

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HERE IS THE LATEST NEWS  
AND INFORMATION FROM  
THE CREIGHTON  
UNIVERSITY RETREAT  
CENTER.



## Spring has Arrived

By Amy Hoover

Spring has finally arrived at the retreat center! Judging by the blooming magnolia tree, it is about a month late. It has made this winter seem very long and gray.

I know I kept telling myself, "I (we) must need some more rest or fallow time this year. Be patient." This extra waiting and resting has made me even more grateful and delighted to see the sun and the pink and white blooms that opened this week. I have taken more time this week to just pause in the sun or to smell those blooms.

It strikes me that the longer than usual fallow and rest time has seeped over into this late spring and is inviting me to continue my slow, deliberate pace of winter, but my disposition sure is different. I am filled with light and joy, expectation of new life. You might say, the Spirit of Resurrection.

And so, to my surprise, I find myself grateful for the long winter. My wish for you this Easter season is the blessing of presence to the Presence. May you be filled with joy and gratitude to whatever season you find yourself in. And may you take to bask in the sun and smell the blossoms blooming.



## CSP Retreats

We had a very nice eight-day retreat in March with four intern directors and several retreatants. It is time to register for the next two! The Christian Spirituality Program at Creighton will offer two more Eight-Day Silent Directed Retreats this year.



## Fall Silent Directed Retreat

It is not too early to register for the Eight-Day Silent Directed Retreat this fall, Oct. 21–30. The team of directors will be led by Amy Hoover and the Rev. Bob Dufford, SJ (*pictured at right*). Prepare for the holidays with some quiet time with the Lord. Check our [website](#) or contact [Terri Lou](#) for more information.



## Private Retreats

Give yourself the gift of a private retreat.

**What:** Retreat time from one, two or three days. How much time do you need? Enjoy quiet time away and time for spiritual conversations between you and God.

**When:** Check your schedule and contact us with proposed dates.

**Where:** Creighton University Retreat Center, 16493 Conrail Ave., Griswold, Iowa

**How:** Contact us directly at 712.787.2466 or [curc@netins.net](mailto:curc@netins.net)



## Around the Grounds

Our two projects highlighted in the fall newsletter have been completed! The lower level of **Daniel Cabin** has been remodeled with new paint, carpet and a hospitality area. And the **maintenance shed** has been built. We now have three large bays for equipment and more storage. Thanks to all who contributed to these projects. On other fronts, we are hoping to replace some windows this spring and summer and continue the refreshing of St. Kateri Chapel.



## Thank You!

Thank you to all who participated in Creighton's Giving Day earlier this month. A special note of gratitude to those who designated the Retreat Center's Scholarship Fund for their donation. Your generosity will allow those who cannot afford a retreat to have that experience. We are always so grateful to have your support of our ministry through prayer, time and funding.

If you or your group would like to help at the retreat center, please don't hesitate to contact Director Amy Hoover at 712.778.2466 or [amyhoover@creighton.edu](mailto:amyhoover@creighton.edu). You can contribute online [here](#). *(Fill out your information, then scroll down to Gift Designation. In the "Other Designation - Specify Here," type in Creighton Retreat Center.)*

### About the Retreat Center

The Creighton Retreat Center is located at 16493 Conrail Ave., Griswold, Iowa, 51535. The center offers eight- and 30-day Ignatian retreats upon request. Accommodations can be made based on your individual schedules. Please contact [Terri Lou](#) for more information.

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